

Town of Tamworth
August 27, 2009
Board of Selectmen's Meeting
Tamworth Town Office

Members Present William Farnum and John Roberts

Other Present Road Agent Bruce Robinson, Fire Chief Richard Colcord, Emergency Management Director Dana Littlefield, Rescue Captain Chris Robinson, Administrative Asst. Cassandra Pearce, Anne Abear and many members of the community.

The Board met at Ricker's junkyard at 3:30 p.m. for the purpose of reviewing the junkyard license that was issued in April of 2009.

Interim Chair Roberts reopened the meeting at 4:05 p.m. at the Town Office

Department Reports

Highway Road Agent Bruce Robinson discussed the following with the Board:

1. *Mr. Farnum moved and Mr. Roberts supported to approve a driveway permit for map 203 lot 012, property on Mountain Road. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.*
2. Mr. Robinson presented two quotes received for salt from Morton Salt and Granite State Minerals. The quotes were \$60.45 per delivered ton from Morton Salt and \$59.73 per delivered ton from Granite State Minerals. Mr. Robinson recommended staying with Morton Salt even though they are presenting a more expensive quote due to the outstanding customer service that has been portrayed to the Town in the past. *John Roberts moved and William Farnum supported to enter into a contract for the 2009-2010 year for bulk pricing offered by Morton Salt of \$60.45/ton delivered for 1,100 tons. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.*
3. Mr. Robinson discussed the driveway application for the Town highway garage property and advised a request for an extension has been put into the State. The request also included permission for the Town to widen the driveway from 16 feet to 24 feet with a flare of 48 feet. The work is expected to be completed in the next few weeks. Mrs. Pearce advised that the Town had received verbal approval from the State to begin this project.
4. Mr. Robinson discussed the prices for the installation of the air handler for the garage and the venting of the pressure washer. The total price of the two projects is approximately \$3,000 with the Town supplying the labor.

After some discussion, the Board advised they were not interested in putting in the air handler at this time. *John Roberts moved and Mr. Farnum supported to pay for the installation of the venting for the pressure washer at an estimated cost of \$1,000. The installation will include the use of single wall piping were applicable. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.*

5. The Board discussed screening sand for the winter. Mr. Robinson advised he contacted two companies who have quoted prices from \$450 - \$490/day to rent the screening equipment. The Board recommended starting on this task as soon as possible.
6. The Board discussed the driveway of David Arnold on Turkey Street and requested Mr. Robinson discuss with him the driveway work being done.
7. Mr. Robinson discussed the mowing being done and advised the equipment continues to break down. The current location of mowing being done is behind the lake.
8. The Board discussed the plans of Mr. Robinson regarding ditching of the roads this year and the location of the storage container at the highway garage. Mr. Roberts recommended ditching be done on Page Hill Road as soon as possible as the basins are full.
9. Mr. Robinson updated the Board on the Gilman Valley Bridge and Gregg's Way. Both projects are being looked at by Paul King.

Parks/Recreation Department

Mr. Parker Roberts discussed the following with the Board:

1. Staining has been completed by Mark Conner at the rec building.
2. The new roofing project over the exit door on the side of the Townhouse has been completed. The steps will be stained next year. Mr. Farnum requested Mr. Roberts to view the last step onto the ground and add gravel to the landing.
3. Mr. Roberts advised that the railings have been shored up going to the upstairs of the Townhouse. Further, a new railing has been installed were needed.

Rescue Squad

Mr. Chris Robinson discussed the following:

1. The ambulance will be out of service in October for 1 week for warranty work.
2. CPR classes have been held and some money has been raised for the club.

Emergency Management

& KA Brett School Update

Dana Littlefield advised he continues to work on the Hazardous Mitigation Plan and he will need to meet with the Planning Board to update the plan. Mr. Littlefield advised the new superintendent of schools is Jay McIntire.

Non-Public Session

Mr. Roberts moved and Mr. Farnum supported to enter into the non-public session at 4:32 p.m. per RSA 91 A: 3 II c – Personnel. Vote: Roberts, Yes, Farnum, Yes. Motion passed.

Mr. Roberts moved and Mr. Farnum supported to adjourn the non-public session at 4:55 p.m. Vote: Roberts, Yes, Farnum, Yes. Motion passed.

The Board met with Chief Richard Colcord to discuss a personnel matter pertaining to him directly. The Board did not make any decisions during this non-public session.

Chocorua Project

Mrs. Pat Farley inquired on the status of the Chocorua Community Project. The Board advised they recently received an email from the State advising what remained for funds on the project for phase I. Another email was received regarding the paperwork that will be filed for phase II and III. A total of \$965,000 is earmarked for the next two phases. With the minimal items left remaining on phase I of the project it is predicted it will be complete within the next few weeks. Phase II and III funding will be issued project numbers and municipal agreements will be created for the Board to sign. The Board plans to meet with members of the State at a future meeting.

Public Comment

1. Mr. James Bowditch publicly thanked Mr. Robinson for his work on the Narrows Bridge.
2. Mr. Scott Finman inquired if the Board planned to take any action regarding the policy of prohibiting Town employees from carrying firearms in Town buildings or equipment. The Board advised they are reviewing the policy and will be discussing in the future. Mr. Finman inquired if this discussion would be in public at a meeting. The Board assured him it would be a discussion at a public meeting.
3. Mr. Dennis Dicey expressed a concern of private company owners who have built new buildings that are not handicapped accessible. The Board advised they had no control over private companies regarding providing handicapped access to their buildings. The Board recommended Mr. Dicey speak to the business owner.

Board Update

Mr. Farnum advised he attended a meeting of the Planning Board in which they were working very hard on their 2010 budget. At first glance, it appeared their budget request would be down from the 2009 request.

Administrative Matters:

1. Mrs. Pearce advised Mr. Peters had nothing new to report on the banners for Chocorua Village.
2. Mrs. Pearce discussed a request of a resident at 92 Union Hall Road regarding the Town's acceptance of the owner's well. The Board decided they could not fulfill the request of the property owner as the Town does not verify the well or its location.
3. A letter addressed to Ambrose Brothers Inc was signed by the Board. This letter is in regard to their intent to excavate and notifying them they are not a grandfathered location within the Town of Tamworth; therefore, they must follow the proper permitting procedures prior to their intent being signed.
4. An intent to cut for map 411-017 & 018 was signed.
5. An intent to cut for map 420 lots 45 and 39 was signed.
6. An application for reimbursement was signed for federal and state forest lands.
7. A letter addressed to Northway bank was signed confirming Mariette Ross is Tamworth's second deputy treasurer.
8. *Mr. Roberts moved and Mr. Farnum supported to approve the minutes of August 13, 2009 as written. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.*
9. Mrs. Pearce advised CDBG Grant Administration proposals for Tamworth Pines are due on Friday, August 28, 2009.
10. The Board decided they would remain on an every two week schedule for the month of September. The meetings will be held on September 10 and September 24. The Board will discuss the schedule for the remainder of the year at the 1st October meeting in which Chairman Abugelis is expected to attend.

Non-Public Session

Mr. Roberts moved and Mr. Farnum supported to enter into the non-public session at 5:31 p.m. per RSA 91 A: 3 II c, d, e – Personnel and Legal. Vote: Roberts, Yes, Farnum, Yes. Motion passed.

Mr. Roberts moved and Mr. Farnum supported to adjourn the non-public session at 6:55 p.m. Vote: Roberts, Yes, Farnum, Yes. Motion passed.

The Board met with Captain Chris Robinson, Dana Littlefield, Luci Bellen, Jeff Tavares and Fire Chief Richard Colcord during this session. Discussions during this non-public session were regarding communications and personnel matters that are taking place within the Rescue Squad pertaining to Fire Chief Richard Colcord. After

an extension discussion between all at the meeting, no decision were made by the Board.

The Board then met with Mrs. Pearce and Mrs. Abear to discuss the upcoming schedule of the Town Office personnel and medical leave that will be taken by one of the employees. The Board agreed to close the Selectmen's Office on Friday, October 23 due to conflicting appointments.

Mrs. Pearce gave the Board an update on the pending legal cases that are being handled by Town Attorney and an abatement filing to the NH BTLA by Pine Tree Power for tax year 2008.

Adjournment

Mr. Roberts moved and Mr. Farnum supported to adjourn the meeting at 6:55 p.m. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.