



TOWN OF BROOKFIELD, NEW HAMPSHIRE  
267 Wentworth Road Brookfield, N.H. 03872

**SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES**  
May 22, 2012

**ATTENDANCE:** Selectman Chair Clifton Camp (absent), Selectman William Nelson, Selectmen Rich Zacher, Treasurer Marilou MacLean, Assessor Clerk/Administrative Asst. Jessica Robischeau, Tax Collector Diana Peckham, Lynn Watts, Welfare Dept.

**PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE:** 4

Meeting called to order at 6:30 PM. Lynn Watts led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Approval of Minutes:**

- **05/08/2012- MOTION:** *Selectmen Zacher moved to accept the minutes from the May 8, 2012 meeting, seconded by Selectmen Nelson. A vote was taken, all in favor, motion carries.*

**Special Guest: Lynn Watts- Welfare Department:** Ms Watts briefed the Selectmen the welfare policy according the State of NH. There is a State RSA which gives the Town the right to collect on the losses administered for assistance. If the resident is a property owner, the Town is able to place a lien on their property in order to collect the losses. In today's economy, the Selectmen decided it was time to update the Welfare Application and list specific ways in which funds may be recovered as deemed appropriate.

**Public Comments:** Ron Pryor asked the Selectmen why the 6 ton limit sign was removed from Lyford Rd. Selectmen Nelson stated that in a previous meeting, it was found that the signs were installed without a reason for the limit and needed to be removed. Mr. Pryor stated this road has become a shortcut to Wolfeboro for many tractor trailers. He expressed concern over possible culvert damage. Mr. Pryor also stated that the speed limit sign of 25 MPH was painted over and asked if this could be fixed. Road Agent Ed Nason was not present for the meeting but will be briefed on the concern and will be discussed on the next Selectmen's meeting June 12, 2012.

- Tom & Dulce Lavender presented the Selectmen with an intent to cut for Map 10 Lot 9. This was signed but still needed to be reviewed by CEO Ed Nason.

-Tax Collector Diana Peckham brought to the board her concern of the annual Memorial Day yard sale on Rte 109. She feels it makes the Town look bad. She felt this was a business running out of their home as this is their primary job. In addition, is this a zoning issue? Since CEO Nason was not present, Selectmen Zacher suggested Ed Nason visit the property for any zoning violations. It will then be discussed at the June 12, 2012 Selectmen meeting.

**REPORTS OF TOWN OFFICIALS PRESENT**

- **Treasurer-** Marilou MacLean presented the Selectmen with checks, bills and proposed budget through the end of April. Treasurer Maclean stated she received an e-mail from Eastern Propane stated they are the preferred propane provider through Our Town Energy Alliance in which the Town now a part of. The Town will review prices from other company's including Eastern for the best price for propane and discuss at the next Meeting.

- **Tax Collector-** Diana Peckham stated the tax bills have been printed and placed in the envelopes. She asked the Selectmen about the status of the newsletter. Administrative Asst Robischeau stated Sue Jalbert was working on the newsletter this weekend but she has not heard from the Selectmen. Selectmen Nelson and Selectmen Zacher both e-mailed ideas for the letter to Admin Asst Robischeau but there has been no word from Selectmen Camp who stated he would submit the Selectmen's section of the newsletter. Ms. Robischeau asked for permission to write the section with Selectmen Nelson and Selectmen Zacher proof reading before it goes to print. Both agreed.
- **Administrative Assistant/Assessor Clerk-Jessica Robischeau-** Jessica Robischeau presented an abatement for Map 26 Lot 6. The abatement was denied due to the lack of comparison sales. Also, an elderly exemption was presented and signed. An abatement for Map 9 Lot 1 by the prior owner was denied because there is no sufficient evidence stating the acreage is less than what is stated on the card. In addition, the new owner for this property has asked for current use on the property which was granted by the Selectmen.
  - The Tax Warrant was presented for the Selectmen's signature.
  - Two Reports of Excavation Warrants were presented and signed.
- **Heritage Commission-** Preparations are being made for the annual Old Home Day which will be held August 11, 2012. Marilou Maclean will be contacting Rick Surette to cook his Memphis Style BBQ.
- **Joint Loss Management Committee-** Selectmen Zacher called the State to obtain more information about the Joint Loss Management Committee. We need to confirm the number of employees based upon the State's explanation of an employee and complete the State's online form.
- **Planning Board-** The conditional use application is almost complete. The Board voted not to pay the SRPC dues for 2012.

**Old Business-** Rose Zacher stated that all comments are going to her as previously discussed. A new email address was developed for Ms. Zacher to retrieve the comments and take any action needed. One comment came in from someone asking to purchase the Brookfield History book 'Our Town'. Rose will take care of this.

- **New Business-** Selectmen Zacher stated that as Selectmen, they need to think of goals for this year, such as painting the building. Selectmen Nelson agreed to work together and make a list.
  - The Selectmen asked Jessica Robischeau for an appointment with the owner at Map 15 Lot 13 to visit their barn which was asked by the owner, to grant a Discretionary Preservation Easement. Both Selectmen would like to meet before next week's Road Committee/ Selectmen meeting Tuesday May 29. The Selectmen's meeting will be at 7pm and the visitation of the barn will be at 6:30pm.

The next Selectmen meeting is on May 22, 2012 at 6:30pm.

Mail reviewed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Jessica Robischeau  
Administrative Assistant

APPROVED REVISION TO THE MINUTES:

On June 12, 2012- the Selectmen approved the minutes with the following change:

- Last line on page 2, The next Selectmen meeting is on – change from *May 22, 2012 to June 12, 2012.*