

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

SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES

July 24, 2012

<u>ATTENDANCE:</u> Selectman William Nelson, Selectmen Rich Zacher, Selectmen Clifton Camp did not attend, Treasurer Marilou MacLean, Tax Collector Diana Peckham

PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE: 4

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

Public Comments: Resident Paul Trembley explained to the Selectmen that he was there to ask the Selectmen for Town support regarding his son. His son has been in a juvenile detention center and attending Somersworth High School as part of the program. Mr. Trembley feels his son has made progress and connected with many of the teachers at this school. He fears that if he is placed back at Kingswood High School, all the progress in the past few years will be lost. He asked the Selectmen if they would help in asking the School District to redirect the monies allocated for his schooling in this district to the Somersworth School District. Both Selectmen were eager to help and stated they would make phone calls and send letters as needed. Selectmen Zacher asked Mr. Trembley to contact the Brookfield resident who is on the School Board, as he will be able to direct him in the right direction.

Approval of Minutes:

• 07/10/2012- MOTION: Selectmen Zacher moved to accept the minutes from July 10, 2012 meeting, seconded by Selectmen Nelson. A vote was taken, all in favor, motion carries.

REPORTS OF TOWN OFFICIALS PRESENT

Treasurer- Marilou MacLean presented the Selectmen with the financial statements as of June 30th, 2012. Bills were presented for approval. There currently is \$415,139.16 in savings account and \$38,289.87 in checking account. Another copy of the MS 6 was mailed to the State as the previous copies were not received. There was a question on a bill from Avitar which will be addressed after Administrative Assistant Jessica Robischeau returns. A Welfare check was being held for further information. The Selectmen decided to release the check. Treasurer Maclean received a letter from the Dept. of Transportation the Town will receive less money than originally approved, for a grant totaling \$27,611.28

• Tax Collector- Diana Peckham spoke with Selectmen regarding a resident in Town who, Diana feels, has been slandering her to people in and out of Town and would like to know if any action can be taken. Ed Nason stated that this not only involves just the Tax Collector but himself and Jessica Robischeau. Selectmen Zacher stated he will speak with the Town Attorney and will get back to her.

- Road Agent- The Stoneham Road preparation did not begin as planned but the road crew will start cutting back the brush tomorrow. In addition, last weeks storm took down trees and 2 telephone poles in a small area at the Stoneham four corners-end of Garney thru the beginning of Tibbetts Hill. Marilou Maclean stated Ed Nason did a wonderful job checking the area affecting and closing the roads.
- A few action items which need to be addressed is the speed limit sign on Lyford Rd and the Children at Play sign. Ed Nason will address these two by the next Selectmen meeting. In addition, Ed Nason was going to call the State regarding the Neighborhood Watch signs which he forgot to do. He will also address this before the next Selectmen's meeting.
- **Heritage Commission-** Old Home Day is on August 11, 2012. Pancake Breakfast will be held by the Brookfield/Wakefield Historical Society that morning. There will be an event in Townhouse where the public is welcome to bring up to 3 antique items for an appraisal by Antique Appraisers. The cost is \$5 per item or 3 items for \$12. Dinner will be served from 5-7pm, cooked by Seabrisket which will include chicken and beef, corn bread, blueberry cake, beans and cole slaw. The fee is \$10 per person. At 6:30pm, Clearly Related String Band will play.
- Old Business- Selectmen Zacher read part of a letter from the Attorney General's office stating that political signs are not permitted on or affixed to Town property but may be held outside a poling place, per RSA 664:17. A copy will be sent to Moderator Dr. Marsh. In the past, signs were allowed on voting day only and never before that day and it was never for one particular candidate but was for everyone. The Selectmen thanked the resident who sent in the complaint. The State rules will be followed as presented.
- A letter of complaint was read by Selectmen Zacher regarding the book drop relocation. The person felt it was poorly marked and difficult to access being in the rear of the building. The Selectmen have decided to return the book drop to the Gafney Library. Rose Zacher will ask the library where they would like it placed on Thursday as she volunteers for the library.
- Selectmen Zacher asked the public their thought on signage for the Brookfield shed. The street number is on the shed but it would be better if there was a sign stating it is the Town's property. The goal is to have a sign by the end of September.
- -Diana Peckham stated that Selectmen Camp was suppose to write a community service letter to three girls who served breakfast at a previous Selectmen breakfast, thanking them for this time. Selectmen Nelson stated he will look in this and address it.

MOTION: Selectmen Zacher made a motion to go into a Non Public session according to RSA 91-A 2:1 regarding the reputation of individuals. Selectmen Nelson seconded the motion. On a roll call votes, all in favor. The motion carries.

MOTION: Selectmen Zacher made a motion to come out of the Non Public Session. Selectmen Nelson seconded the motion on roll call. Zacher says yes, Nelson says yes. Selectmen Zacher motioned to seal the minutes for the Non Public Minutes. Selectmen Nelson seconded the motion, on roll call. Zacher says yes, Nelson says yes. All in favor. Motion carried.

The next Selectmen meeting is on August 14, 2012 at 6:30pm.

Mail reviewed.

Meeting adjourned at 7:46 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Jessica Robischeau Administrative Assistant