## Town of Deerfield BOARD OF SELECTMEN February 22, 2016 MINUTES

#### **Call to Order**

5:30p - Chairman Barry called the meeting to order.

Present: Stephen Barry, Chairman; Richard Pitman, Vice Chairman; Rebecca Hutchinson, and

R. Andrew Robertson Selectmen

Excused: Jeff Shute, Selectman

#### Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Chairman Barry asks all to rise and pledge allegiance to the Flag.

#### Jeanne Menard - Northern Pass Update

Ms. Menard updated that the public counsel in the Northern Pass matter will be at the GBW Building Thursday, February 25th at 6:30 to provide information and answer questions regarding the intervenor status.

#### **Scheduled Appointments**

## Planning Board & Southern NH Planning Commission - Scenic Byways Council

Planning Board Chair Fred McGarry introduced David Preece, Executive Director with the Southern NH Planning Commission. Mr. Preece provided handouts and a map of the proposed 48 mile Lamprey River Scenic Byway to run through Deerfield, Candia and Northwood. The initiative would come at no cost to the communities involved and would serve as an economic development tool to promote the character and qualities of each Town. The Council's Corridor Management Plan is approximately half complete with a goal for approval in 2017. The group meets every other month and is seeking representation from the three Towns involved. Mr. Preece updated that Deerfield resident and owner of the Nine Lions Restaurant, Trisha Lynn, has expressed a willingness to serve on the committee.

Selectwoman Hutchinson asked what "Economic Development" might include? Mr. Preece responded that Tourism and exposure to the Town's galleries, local businesses, etc. would be a benefit of the byway. The Board agreed to support the effort if Ms. Lynn would agree to serve as representative for the Town.

**Motion:** Selectman Robertson moves to approve Deerfield's participation in the Lamprey River Scenic Byway, with resident Trisha Lynn to serve as Representative.

Second: Vice Chairman Pitman

Vote: Yea 4, Nay 0, Abstained 0 - Motion Carries

The Board asked that Ms. Lynn contact the Town Administrator.

#### **Regular Business**

Minutes - February 8, 2016

Motion: Vice Chairman Pitman moves the minutes as written

**Second:** Selectwoman Hutchinson

Vote to approve: Yea 4, Nay 0, Abstained 0 - Motion Carries

## Accounts Payable - \$547,620.94 (\$500,000 transferred to DCS)

**Motion:** Selectman Robertson moves to approve

**Second:** Selectwoman Hutchinson

Vote: Yea 4, Nay 0, Abstained 0 - Motion Carries

# Public Hearing to be held March 21st at 6p Regarding Amending Existing Police Licenses per RSA 72-23

Motion: Vice Chairman Pitman moves to approve the Public Hearing as scheduled

Second: Selectman Robertson

Vote: Yea 4, Nay 0, Abstained 0 - Motion Carries

### **Amendment to Waste Management Contract**

The item was tabled until further review could be done.

### Letter to Nellie Rollins re: Property in Current Use

**Motion:** Selectman Robertson moves to approve and sign

Second: Selectwoman Hutchinson

Vote: Yea 4, Nay 0, Abstained 0 - Motion Carries

# Recommend to Abate \$23.26 to Mr. Stephen Campbell, 200 Mt Delight Rd, Overpayment of Interest

**Motion:** Selectman Robertson moves to approve

Second: Vice Chairman Pitman

Vote: Yea 4, Nay 0, Abstained 0 - Motion Carries

# Tax Collector's Warrant - Current Use/Land Use Change Tax - \$8,000, Cassandra & Tyler Boutwell, Map 408, Lot 052

**Motion:** Selectman Robertson moves to collect

Second: Selectwoman Hutchinson

Vote: Yea 4, Nay 0, Abstained 0 - Motion Carries

# Town Clerk/Tax Collector - Refund Request - \$309 to William Claffy due to Motor Vehicle Registration Overpayment

**Motion:** Vice Chairman Pitman moves to approve

**Second:** Selectwoman Hutchinson

Vote: Yea 4, Nay 0, Abstained 0 - Motion Carries

Non-Contemporaneous Business - February 12, 13 & 16 - 3 Members Signing Accounts Payable - \$1,043,723.57 (\$1M transferred to DCS)

Payroll Manifest - \$42,044.79 (\$38,835.57 net)

#### **Recess**

Chairman Barry recessed the Select Board meeting until 6p.

### Reconvene

## <u>Public Hearing - Discretionary Preservation Easement - Mark W. and Melissa J.</u> <u>Doperalski</u>

Mr. Doperalski spoke that the barn at their property meets all of the historical requirements to qualify for an easement. The barn was once the site of a Store, Post Office and Inn dating back to the 1850's. He and his wife maintain the barn and use it for livestock and storage, etc. Selectman Robertson spoke in support of granting the easement, noting that the cost of maintaining the historic properties often far exceeds the amount of the tax relief. Ms. Harriet Cady spoke to thank the Doperalski's for their maintaining the barn.

With no further comment the Public Hearing was closed.

### Reconvene - Select Board Meeting

**Motion:** Selectman Robertson moves to approve a 75% Discretionary Easement

Second: Vice Chairman Pitman

Vote: Yea 4, Nay 0, Abstained 0 - Motion Carries

#### **Citizens Comments**

None

#### Adjourn

Motion: Vice Chairman Pitman moves to adjourn the meeting of February 22, 2016

Second: Selectman Robertson

Vote: Yea 4, Nay 0, Abstained 0 - Motion Carries

Next Meeting Wednesday, February 24, 2016 @ 5:30p

The Minutes were transcribed and respectfully submitted by Katherine A. Libby, Recording Secretary.

Pending approval by the Board of Selectmen.