

**FRANCESTOWN BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

Meeting Minutes  
September 29, 2008

Approved 10/20

The meeting being properly posted, and McAuley, Anderson and Hardwick present constituting a quorum, McAuley called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Public Present:**

BJ Carbee, Polly Freese, Ann Stewart, Ethel MacStubbs, Robert Abbott, Joe Ludwig, Betsy Wiederhold, Mary Lindstrom, Rene Frost, Ed, Frost, Helene Harbage, Jan Griffin, Ron Cheney, Judy Badot and Maureen Von Rosenvinge.

**7:00 p.m. Cemetery Trustees –**

McAuley moved to accept with regret the resignation of Cynthia French. Seconded by Hardwick. Passed 3-0.

The Board asked the current two members to submit three suggestions for replacement along with their recommendation and they will appoint a new Trustee as soon as possible.

The Selectmen discussed briefly with the Cemetery Trustees cemetery the maintenance contract for 2009. Betsy stated that she may want to make a change in the current specs, McAuley suggested that if she did want to make any changes to do so sooner than later. The Board will continue to solicit bids and will contact the Trustees when received so they can view as well.

**7:10 p.m. Heritage Commission-**

The Board met with the Heritage Commission to address some of their concerns regarding their scope of general powers. Per the RSA the commission is to act upon requests by local Boards or agencies. Mary Lindstrom provided the board with a list of specific concerns for which the commission would like clarification on.

Mary Lindstrom inquired if the commission was permitted to accept monetary gifts and to pursue grants for specific causes. Hardwick advised that this was permitted per RSA so long as the BOS approved.

**7:40 p.m. Ann Stewart -**

Ann Stewart read a letter in the record, which is attached. There was discussion about the Town not being responsible for undertaking work on areas outside of our ROW, and all were in agreement.

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**DOT Letter –**

The Board received a letter from the NHDOT regarding a letter they had received from Brooks Place about drainage concerns along his property located at 27 Oak Hill Road. After a brief discussion it was determined that Mr. Place did not apply for a driveway permit, therefore the driveway was possibly not done properly. The letter will be forwarded to Gary Paige and Peter Hopkins.

**PA-28 Inventory Forms –**

BJ Carbee sent an e-mail (attached) to the BOS requesting them to reconsider their decision to discontinue the use of the PA-28 Inventory forms. Anderson moved to table until the October 20<sup>th</sup> meeting. McAuley seconded. Passed 3-0.

**Milford Area Mediation Request –**

The Milford Area Mediation Group has requested a donation of \$500.00. McAuley moved to deny their request. Hardwick seconded. Passed 3-0.

Polly Freese advised the BOS that the trucks have returned to the Greenfield Road location.

McAuley moved to approve the check manifests. Hardwick seconded. Passed 3-0.

The minutes of 09/22/2008 were approved with one change being made (change contract to bid).

**Conservation Easement –**

Acting on behalf of the Conservation commission as their Chair, Hardwick asked the Board of Selectmen to approve accepting a Conservation Easement from Pamela Bixby Avery on a 20-acre property known as Tax Map 4 Lot 2 that is adjacent to the Crotched Mountain Town Forest. This is a donated easement. McAuley moved to approve pending Town Counsel review and approval of the final conservation easement language. Anderson seconded. Hardwick abstained. Passed 2-0.

**Items Signed –**

Driveway permit

**8:28 p.m. 8:40 p.m. Non-Public Session RSA 91-A:3 II (b) –**

McAuley moved to adjourn. Hardwick seconded. Meeting adjourned 8:45 p.m.

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William McAuley

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Thomas Anderson

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Betsy Hardwick