

Fracesttown Board of Selectmen

Meeting Minutes

March 29, 2010

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

Public Present: Sara Sessions, Josh Bond and Barbara Jean Carbee.

7:00 p.m. Peter Hopkins

The Board met with Peter Hopkins, Building Inspector to get an update on various outstanding issues.

Farrell – Filed with Superior Court, pending

Camirand – Has consulted with Planning Board

Clark – Letter will be sent advising that he needs to go to ZBA for variance

Derr – Letter to be sent advising that she needs to go before the Panning Board

Crotched Mtn lights – to ZBA

Hardwick expressed concern about a driveway on Old County Road North that is washing down into the wetlands due to the excessive rain. The owner will be advised that per PB/ZBA approval he was required to maintain the erosion controm measure, hire Chris Danforth to oversee, and to send reports to Peter. Peter will check it out.

Peter informed the Board that he would be on vacation next week. If any pressing issues arise, Charlie Stevenson from Greenfield will be covering him.

7:20 p.m. Sara Sessions –

Sara met with the Board to get clarification on what the issue is with the lights on Main Street. McAuley gave a brief overview on how we had gotten to this point. Since Town Meeting approved the streetlight budget increase to add a few more lights, the Board agreed that it would be best to hold a public meeting with a PSNH representative and residents to look at lighting options and discuss placement of any additional streetlights. Overall the Town's concern is safety. Sara would like the Town to consider aesthetics and look at what would be best for coverage for safety without adversely affecting the neighborhood.

The Board agreed to hold a public meeting on April 19, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall.

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Other Business –

The Board agreed that Town Hall would be reserved by the recreation department on Saturday morning to offer an aerobics class. The rec dept. is to notify Sherry in regards to the amount that the instructor will be paid and which account the costs will come from. Hardwick stated that she would be attending their meeting on Wednesday and will advise them.

McAuley stated that FEMA has increased our original assessment of damages to \$35,000. If declared and event we may be entitled to FEMA funds.

Gary Paige has requested to begin summer hours. The Board unanimously agreed to begin summer hours April 18, 2010 with an end date to be determined later.

The Board unanimously agreed to have George Morgan dig up the sidewalk in front of Town Hall and replace two pads.

S. Carbee inquired about how long the hut would be staying at Town Hall. Hardwick will talk with Carol.

S. Carbee inquired about the status of the Francestown sign. McAuley stated that to date, it is still in Bennington Police custody. It has been determined that it is not repairable. McAuley will talk with Chief Campbell to encourage restitution.

S. Carbee asked for permission to do some maintenance to the Christmas tree at Town Hall. McAuley and Hardwick agreed that this is fine.

McAuley moved to approve the check manifest for 3/22/2010. S. Carbee seconded. Passed 3-0.

Items signed –

Building permit for FD generator

Proxy for Water Company

DRA letter regarding 2009 Assessment Review to be forwarded to Jim Rice.

Barbara Jean Carbee inquired about a Veterans tax credit that is on a property that may not qualify. Sherry stated that the credit is removed when the property transfers, and cannot be removed until April 1 of the next year.

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It was noted that when the Millers went to the Library to clear a plugged toilet they removed the cover to the septic tank and discovered oil on the surface. There was an issue with the elevator and geothermal awhile back, it is unclear if related. It was determined that the best course of action at this point is to have it pumped and go from there.

S. Carbee moved to adjourn. McAuley seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherry Miller