

Fracesttown Board of Selectmen

Meeting Minutes

May 24, 2010

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

Public Present: Betsy Wiederhold, Polly Freese, Barbara Jean Carbee, Tom Anderson, Josh Bond, Lisa Bourbeau, Kitty Houghton, Marilyn Sizemore and daughter.

7:00 p.m. BAC Members: Charlie Pyle, Bob Arpin, Becky Moul and Nick Wilder.

The BOS met with the BAC to review the 2010 budget. The Board had talked a little last week about the need to address some of the issues that have been deferred over the past couple of years such as personnel issues. Some items may be CIP items. Overall budget looks good. Due to unforeseen circumstances at the Library and the March flood Highway, General Gov't Buildings and the Library have been hit hard. Hopefully FEMA will come through with some Federal Funds to help off set.

The BOS and the BAC agreed to meet again on July 19 at 7:00 p.m. to review a timeline and a want/need list for 2011.

Becky Moul questioned the increased traffic on the bridge due to the Lyndeborough detour. It was stated that the bridge is classified as E2 and should be able to handle the increase.

7:30 p.m. Wayne Robinson – Cemetery Issue

Wayne Robinson met with the Board to discuss an issue with the Cemetery Commission regarding the removal of dwarf spruce trees at his parent's burial lot at Cemetery #3. Mr. Robinson is disappointed in the way that he has been treated by Cemetery Commissioner, Betsy Wiederhold, stating that she has been very disrespectful and expressed herself in a rude manner. Basically, Mr. Robinson was notified that the shrubs had grown past the allowable height of 5 feet and he was advised to remove them. He went to the cemetery and trimmed the trees. When the Cemetery Commission viewed them they appeared dead and infested with black ants. Betsy Wiederhoold stated that the Commission contacted Marilyn Sizemore who flew to Fracesttown from North Carolina to resolve the issue. Marilyn Sizemore stated that it was the family that removed the trees, not the Commission. It was agreed that the rules and regulations are straightforward and the Commission acted in accordance with the Cemetery Rules and Regulations.

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7:50 p.m. Non-Public session under RSA 91-A:3 (c)

McAuley moved to enter nonpublic session, seconded by Hardwick. Passed 3-0.
Board met with two residents regarding a tax issue.

Motion to reconvene the public session made by McAuley, seconded by Hardwick.
Passed 3-0.

The Board reconvened the public session at 8:10 p.m.

Hardwick moved to approve the intent to cut request for Map 9, Lot 3. McAuley seconded. Passed 3-0.

Hardwick moved to appoint Kevin Holdredge as Deputy Emergency Management Director. S. Carbee seconded. Passed 3-0.

The Board reviewed and approved the language for the letter to the Employee Benefits Committee stating their purpose. It was also agreed that the BOS would recommend and appoint a Chair to that committee.

McAuley moved to sign the Delegation of Deposit Authority. S. Carbee seconded.
Passed 3-0.

McAuley moved to sign the check manifest for 5/24/2010. S. Carbee seconded. Passed 3-0.

McAuley, upon the recommendation of Cross County Appraisal Group moved to grant the abatement application of John D. & Jennifer A. Rosamond. S. Carbee seconded.
Passed 3-0.

The Board reviewed and approved/signed the following building permits:

Mountain Maintenance, tax map 7, lot 3

James McCarthy, tax map 5, lot 79

Timothy Taylor, tax map 20, lot 1

Anthony & Susan Laber, tax map 7, lot 26-1

Gregory Neilly, tax map 12, lot 4

Ben Hardwick, tax map 8, lot 35

Letter from Dana Jackson reviewed, copy to Road Agent.

Hardwick talked with Library Trustee, Andy Paul about the Library budget. He has suggested that when unanticipated expenses come in they (Library Trustees) would like to be notified so they can have an opportunity to come before the Board to discuss.

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McAuley moved to authorize Betsy Hardwick to speak and make decisions for the Board in the matter of the resolution for Hopkinton Forestry & Land Clearing V Town of Francestown. S. Carbee seconded, all approved.

McAuley moves to grant authority to Betsy Hardwick to sign the interrogatories in regards to Hopkinton Forestry & Land Clearing V Town of Francestown. S. Carbee seconded, all approved.

S. Carbee advised the Board that the flagpole has been received, George will install.

Hardwick moved to approve the minutes of 5/17/2010. S. Carbee seconded. Passed 3-0.

Larry Laber had called inquiring about Crotched Mountain lights status. He at the most recent ZBA meeting where it was stated that Silas was contacted by Crotched's attorney who indicated that there was no need for her client to get a variance. The Board unanimously agreed to have the Town Attorney send a letter to the ski area.

The Board unanimously approved the vacation request of Sherry Miller for August 16, 17, 18 & 19 2010.

Next Selectmen's meeting will be Monday, June 14, 2010 unless otherwise posted.

McAuley moved to adjourn. S. Carbee seconded. Meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherry Miller