

**OFFICIAL**

**TOWN COUNCIL  
NON-PUBLIC MINUTES  
Regular Meeting  
Wednesday, February 18, 2009**

**ATTENDANCE**

Chairman D. Dickson, W. Gahara, P. Loiselle, G. Longfellow, J. Gorton, D. Ross, and N. VanScoy  
C. Granfield, Interim Town Administrator

**NON-PUBLIC SESSION**

***B. Gahara motioned to enter into non-public session at 6:00 pm under Per RSA 91-A:3, II (e). Seconded by J. Gorton.***

***Roll Call Vote unanimously in favor***

*Per RSA 91-A:3, II (e) Consideration or negotiation of pending claims or litigation which has been threatened in writing or filed against the body or agency or any subdivision thereof, or against any member thereof because of his membership in such a body or agency, until the claim or litigation has been fully adjudicated or otherwise settled.*

D. Hemeon: The Eaton residence is 35 feet from the road. I believe this resident just wants a new well. This property has had a few owners. This gentleman went to the state. He is saying he can taste the salt in the well. I've never heard any complaints from any other residents in the area.

D. Ross: Should we test this water. It is fairly inexpensive. We need to determine if this problem is unique to this property.

P. Loiselle: We have history of a contaminated well on Scott Ave.

D. Hemeon: That had to do with the landfill and we ran a water line down to Duford's property.

N. VanScoy: Why does their bad well become the Town's responsibility?

C. Granfield: Dale came to me and I stopped the process. Dale told me that David Jodoin authorizing the spending of the money for testing. I don't feel we should be expending this money.

D. Hemeon: The problem is we could put a new well in and he could still get sodium from down the road. My recommendation is to do nothing.

D. Ross: It is because of the type of contamination is consistent with road salt. That is why it was put on the Town. They can't tell if it is our salt that is contaminating the well or some other source. Is it the Town's fault?

D. Hemeon: His backyard is a wetland and there are catch basins that get runoff. The neighboring house, which has a new well and was subdivided off, has had no problem.

B. Gahara: I think we should consult with Attorney Mayer and do nothing further.

P. Loiselle: Are there other wells in that proximity?

D. Hemeon: No he is right on the corner of Hackett Hill and Cross Road, and his well is in the front yard. The owner knows the rules and he bought a house with a bad well and he wants someone else to take care of it.

N. VanScoy: The test show the water is above legal drinking limits?

D. Hemeon: Sodium was legal but the chloride was at 340 and the highest you can go is 250 so it is above acceptable levels. I thought it might be a result of the severe winter last year and the amount of salting we did but this year we have done less salting and it is still a problem according to the owner.

D. Ross: I think we should see if it is a problem somewhere else.

***Council consensus is to let the attorney weigh in first and go from there.***

Per RSA 91-A:3, II (d) Consideration of the acquisition, sale or lease of real or personal property which, if discussed in public, would likely benefit a party or parties whose interests are adverse to those of the general community.

D. Hess: Under the Governor's budget, if passed, Hooksett will loose \$300,000. This is a net loss.

D. Hess distributed a memo regarding the Pinnacle acquisition. (see file)

***D. Ross motioned to offer a conditional agreement for the Pinnacle property with a public hearing scheduled for March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2009. Seconded by J. Gorton.***

D. Ross: This is a historic and prominent part of the Hooksett's history that should be preserved.

D. Hess: This does not include the homestead. This is 34.5 acres. The homestead is approximately an acre and a half and is on a separate lot. We have discovered, in an oral deal with Bud Locke, that Village Water would build a pump station and a brick building on Ardon Drive. If approved, we will have this surveyed for an easement for Village Water.

D. Hess: We have a signed Purchase and Sale Agreement for the property at Clay Pond. We entered into a high low bid deal and the real estate appraiser came in and we are paying \$2000 per acre and it will cost our fund \$3200.

**Roll Call:**

P. Loiselle	Y	G. Longfellow	Y
J. Gorton	Y	D. Ross	Y
D. Dickson	Y	P. Rueppel	-
W. Gahara	Y	N. VanScoy	Y
M. Pischetola	-		

***B. Gahara motioned to come out of non-public session at 6:30 pm. Seconded by J. Gorton***

Respectfully submitted,

Lee Ann Moynihan