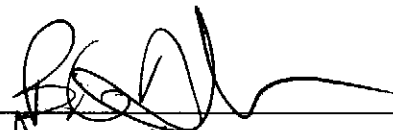
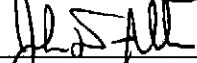



Bob Thompson 
John Allen 
Richard Bennett 

Selectmen's Board Meeting
January 26, 2017

Present: Bob Thompson, Chairman and Richard Bennett, Selectmen

Visitors: Bea Davis, Kevin Bennett, Stan Weiss, Kathy Dougherty, Jerry Dougherty, Betsey Harding, Brian Johnston, Joan Kelly

1. Chairman Police Chief Sworn In – For Viewing see Jackson Flicks
2. Chairman Bob Thompson restarted the meeting 4:37 PM.
Amend & approve minutes
 - a. Selectmen's Meeting – January 12, 2017 – **Selectman Bennett, seconded by Selectman Allen, made the motion to approve the minutes as written. The motion passed unanimously.**
 - b. Selectmen's Budget Hearing #1 - January 12, 2017 – **Selectman Allen, seconded by Selectman Bennett, made the motion to sign the minutes with 2 edits. The motion passed unanimously.**

3. Meeting Schedule

Thursday Feb 9th – 4:00 PM – Selectmen's Meeting
4:30 PM – Budget Meeting #2
Thursday Feb 23rd – 4:00 PM – Selectmen's Meeting
Thursday Mar 9th – 4:00 PM – Selectmen's Meeting
Tuesday Mar 14th - 8:00 AM to 7:00 PM – Town Elections
Thursday Mar 16th – Town Meeting
Thursday Mar 30th – 4:00 PM – Selectmen's Meeting

4. Doublehead Parking Update – Brian Johnston from the Forest Service

- (1) It is our intention to design and build a parking lot on our property off of Dundee Rd. big enough to accommodate 15 cars and then build a connecting trail to the Double Head ski trail. We are working on funding for a design. There are some issues with drainage and line of sight to keep it safe. So the entrance and exit will have a little bit of a driveway. I'd like to have this done this year depending on

funding. With further questions by the Selectmen, Mr. Johnston explained that the new lot would be less than a quarter mile up the hill from the old lot on the left. That would be the rough entrance heading back in a rectangular shape. The ski trail would connect on the backside of the lot. The signage would include signs on the road before the entrance in both directions and trail signs within the lot. The surface would be gravel. Comments from those present were also answered. It would be on the Jackson side of the gate, there would be one proposed crossing over the brook and no parking pass would be needed. Overflow parking would be dealt with as a future issue if needed and plowing still needs to be negotiated. In future dealings with the forest service Mr. Johnston will be the primary point of contact.

5. Public Comments

- a. Betsy Harding – The march was a roaring success and she'd like to thank the police department for their presence. Selectman Thompson praised the turnout and organization.

6. Building Inspector

- a. Eagle Mountain House Update – He did talk to two different contractors trying to get a feel for whether the whole deck had to come down or just be repaired. He feels that until someone gets under the deck and digs around they won't know the exact extent of the repairs.

7. New Business

- a. Noise Mitigation Policy for Liquor License Requests stems from different requests coming in. One request from the Eagle Mountain House was tabled until the next meeting. These requests are for serving alcohol under covered outdoor structures. Selectman Thompson drafted a letter that will go out to businesses that wish to extend that liquor license to cover outdoor events. There are three mandatory noise reduction measures in the letter they are: 1) All tent walls will be down the entire time the tent is up. 2) Noise levels will not exceed 90 Decibels as measured with a calibrated Decibel Meter. 3) Music will not play any later than 10:30 PM. In order to secure the town's letter of support to the Liquor Commission these terms would have to be agreed to in writing. This would leave an important paper trail and give the town some leverage. We would rather leverage liquor licenses than have a noise ordinance we would need the police to enforce. We would like all the businesses in Jackson to have some uniformity. Joan Kelley asked what would happen with repeat offenders and venues that already had contracts. Selectman Thompson responded that there wouldn't be any renewal the next year and that he is in contact with the Liquor Commission to see what else can be done. Stan Weiss wanted to make sure that down meant down to the ground with the sides of the tent. Bea reminded us that this is a tourist town and that we have to be reasonable. Some people felt 10:30 was too early and the tents would be too hot with the sides down. Selectman Thompson informed them that the 10:30 time

worked well last year and that there are inexpensive ways to cool off the inside of the tents. It's the cost of doing business. Joan Kelley stated that she thought that 10:30 was too late. Stan Weiss and Jerry Dougherty talked about some of the noise canceling technology that was available for home use. **Selectman Bennett, seconded by Selectman Allen, made the motion to adopt the Letter. The motion passed unanimously.**

- b. Liquor License Request- The Wentworth Hotel requests an Ice Bar from Feb. 24th to March 19th. There would be no music after 10:30. **Selectman Bennett, seconded by Selectman Allen, made the motion to approve the Request. The motion passed unanimously.**

8. Old Business

- a. Transfer Station Update – We are in the midst of starting our new process of Recycling. We do not do plastics yet but as soon as we are set up for that we will divide up the bins accordingly. We are taking all the usual things. The store is open. As we get into the second phase we'll be doing plastics. Both towns meet on Monday. One of the biggest issues is storage containers.

9. Public Comment

- a. Jerry Dougherty–Hopes that due to our small size we have to see if recycling plastics is worth the cost of fuel to transport them.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:15 PM

Respectfully Submitted by:
Amiee Murphy
Recording Secretary