

Approved

Town of New Boston Selectmen's Meeting March 7, 2016

PRESENT: Joe Constance Selectman
Dwight Lovejoy Selectman
Christine Quirk Selectman
Peter Flynn Town Administrator

Willard Dodge, Kim DiPietro, Road Agent Dick Perusse, Open Space Committee Chairman Ken Lombard, Willard Dodge, and Leo Marchesseault and his sons of the public were present.

A. CALL TO ORDER: A regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen was called to order by Dwight Lovejoy at 6:00PM beginning with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Consent Agenda-The Selectmen signed the consent agenda. The Consent Agenda included the Mutual Aid agreement for Building Inspector with Goffstown; Town of Bow agreement for Termination' of Dispatch Services; Deputy Warden Appointment affirmation; and Approval of Town Administrator's signature for Health Trust Documents. Joe moved to approve the consent agenda. Dwight seconded the motion. All were in favor. 3-0

B. PUBLIC FORUM:

None.

C. APPOINTMENTS:

Item 1: Public Hearing: Acceptance of Wright Drive as a Town Road: The Public Hearing was opened at 6:03 PM. Peter said Wright Drive has been in the construction process, the Planning Board and Road Agent reviewed its progress and now recommend it for acceptance. There was an issue on a hill where a shelf was needed, this was taken care of and approved by Town Engineer Kevin Leonard and NH DES. There are no Wright Road residents present tonight. The developer was present. Christine moved to accept Wright Drive as a town road. Joe seconded the motion. All were in favor. 3-0

The Public Hearing closed at 6:04 PM.

Item 2: Ken Lombard-Open Space Chairman-Request For Easement Modification: Open Space Committee Chairman Ken Lombard was present to meet with the Selectmen to discuss a proposed land swap at Betsey Dodge Conservation Area where an abutter placed sheds on town property. He was misinformed by the realtor and seller that sold him the home. He noticed this may have occurred when he noticed the boundary markers, hired a surveyor, realized what happened and approached the town immediately to propose a land swap. The Selectmen reviewed maps and photos. Ken is working with the abutter and proposes a trade of BDCA and

Forest Society land of approximately two acres for approximately 6 acres abutting the river and offering additional road frontage from the abutter. These areas are yet to be surveyed. Ken is seeking permission to pursue this with the Forest Society who holds an easement. Changing an easement is a difficult process but the Attorney General's office has a branch to deal with this. Ken's next step will be to have an informational meeting with the Attorney General and then meet with the Forest Society. This process could take 6 months to one year to complete but won't cost much. The Selectmen approved.

D. OLD BUSINESS:

Item 3: Adoption of Public and Non-Public Minutes of February 22, 2016 and February 1, 2016 Deliberative Session Minutes (reviewed by Mr. Nyquist): The Selectmen reviewed the public and non-public minutes of February 22, 2016 and the Deliberative Session minutes of February 1, 2016. Joe moved they be accepted as presented. Christine seconded the motion. All were in favor. 3-0

E. NEW BUSINESS:

Item 4: Presentation of Primex Property Liability Insurance Program-Requesting Contract Approval: Peter reported the town has been seeking the best alternative for property liability insurance as our current provider, Property Liability Trust (PLT) is going out of business on July 1, 2016. Peter recommends switching to Primex. The town already uses Primex for workers compensation insurance and trainings. A premium quote of \$74,558 was received, almost exactly the same as Healthtrust. \$86,000 was budgeted. All coverage is the same or better than PLT offered. Rebates are available with Primex. Christine moved to approve contracting Primex for property liability insurance for \$74,558 as of July 1, 2016. Joe seconded the motion. All were in favor. 3-0

F. OTHER BUSINESS:

Item 5: Request to Award Bid For Old Coach Road Project-Dick Perusse: Road Agent Dick Perusse was present to meet with the Selectmen to discuss the bid for the Old Coach Road project. American Excavator was the low bidder. Town Engineer Kevin Leonard and Dick reviewed and verified the bid. The town will supply catch basins, pipe, bank run and crushed gravel. Bonding was submitted with the bid paperwork. The project is expected to start April 1 with binder coat pavement completed by Memorial Day. Joe moved to award the bid to American Excavator for \$434,995 subject to contract review and signature and appropriate bonding for construction to begin April 1. Christine seconded the motion. All were in favor. 3-0

Item 6: Request For Sign Waiver For NBCS-PTA 5K Race: The PTA requested to put a sign out beyond the time period in the ordinance. This is a big event. Joe moved to accept the sign waiver for signage for a thirty day period from May 19-June 19, 2016. Christine seconded the motion. All were in favor. 3-0

Item 7: Town Administrators Report:

- The Foot Traffic Safety Committee met Friday to decide the process to decide the bid

process the site clearing including the road preparation. The Committee decided to use one contract.

- Town Hall Basement: This project is almost complete. The stairs are built and will be painted next week.
- Voting day is tomorrow. The Selectmen schedule of attendance is ready.
- Old Coach Road: As above.
- Police Dispatch: Peter met with Bow officials last week as Bow Dispatch discontinued dispatch services which forced New Boston to find a dispatch service with two week's notice. New Boston will now use dispatch services in Goffstown. The settlement negotiations with Bow included \$20,000 for the equipment update needed to use Goffstown and a \$10,000 refund of what New Boston paid Bow in advance for dispatch services. The check is expected from Bow this week after the Selectmen sign the contract releasing New Boston from Bow services. Bow Selectmen Chairman Judd said at the meeting his Board was apologetic for the situation. They agree with Peter's letter to them and that is why they attended the negotiation meeting.
- A business in town, a large taxpayer with three buildings (Rose Meadow), approached Peter for a three year tax break for a fourth building they want to build to help them cut expenses. This is allowed under a new RSA with certain criteria as specified by law. The Selectmen asked Peter to research the RSA and what happened in a similar situation in Hillsborough.

Item 8: Selectmen's Reports: None.

Public Forum: None.

Item 9: Possible Request for Non-Public Per RSA 91-A:II: Dwight made a motion to go into Non-Public session per RSA 91-A:3II at 6:38 PM. Joe seconded the motion. All were in favor. 3-0 The Board then entered non-public session after a poll of all members.

Move to exit Non-Public Session: Joe made a motion to exit Non-Public Session at 6:44 PM. Christine seconded the motion. All were in favor. 3-0

ADJOURNMENT: Joe made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:44 PM. Christine seconded the motion. All were in favor. 3-0

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