

I. Call to Order

Chair Emily Creighton called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. There were also present Mr. Henry Marsh, Selectman and Michael Pardue, Town Administrator. Mr. Pardue served as the Recording Secretary for this session. Selectman Don Gould was absent due to illness.

II. Selectmen Items

- A. Public Hearing RSA 41:14-a Acquisition or Sale of Land, Buildings, or Both – Land located on the east side of Lafayette Rd. (Tax Map 003, Lot 083) in exchange for town owned property located on the east side of Cedar Rd. (Tax Map 007, Lot 048)

Ms. Creighton welcomed those in attendance and opened the public hearing at 7:00 PM in accordance with the provisions of RSA 41:14-a.

Ms. Creighton cited that tonight's public hearing, in accordance with the provisions of RSA 41:14-a is the second of two required public hearings addressing the acquisition or sale of land, buildings, or both.

Ms. Creighton then introduced North Hampton Building Inspector Richard Maybe who provided an overview of the proposed land acquisition (swap).

Mr. Robert Landman of Post Rd. made inquiry regarding a telephone pole that appears to impede vehicular traffic along the roadway leading into the parcel of land under consideration.

Mr. Maybe and Road Agent Robert Strout both spoke in relation to Mr. Landman's inquiry, stating that Public Service of New Hampshire would be asked to relocate the utility pole in question.

Selectman Marsh stated that at the request of the Board of Selectmen he had spoken with the owners of the land abutting the parcel under consideration by the Town. The purpose of his discussion was to gauge the interest of said owners to sell some or all of their land (currently housing Downeast Motors) should the Town desire to procure additional acreage at some future date. Mr. Marsh stated that the owners of said land said they would be please to offer the Town a "Right of First Refusal" on their land.

Being no further questions, Ms. Creighton closed the public hearing portion of the meeting at 7:11 PM.

B. Bond Hearing – Pursuant to Requirements of RSA 33:8-a procedure for Authorizing Bonds or Notes in Excess of \$100,000

Ms. Creighton opened the bond hearing in accordance with the provisions of RSA 33:8-a.

Ms. Creighton explained that the proposed bond was for the construction of a 60'X60' salt / sand storage facility and a 100'x65' highway garage and all related site work etc. Ms. Creighton further explained that the bond was not to exceed the amount of \$750,000.

Ms. Creighton asked North Hampton Building Inspector Richard Maybe to present an overview of the proposed building project. Mr. Maybe illustrated to those in attendance the proposed siting of the buildings on the parcel of land and further explained the size of the proposed buildings, the related site work, the need for oil/water separators, electrical service, water connection, paving of driveways and aprons etc.

Mr. Richard Betcher, a resident of North Hampton, inquired as to the anticipated number of sand / salt deliveries needed once a 60'x60' building is constructed.

Mr. Betcher also asked if the two proposed buildings would be “bid” based on a set of specifications presented by the town. Mr. Maybe assured Mr. Betcher that the project would indeed include a Request for Proposals (RFP) amounting to a competitive sealed bid process and that the \$750,000 figure was simply a budgetary figure at this time.

Being no further questions concerning the bonding matter, Ms. Creighton closed the bond hearing at 7:19 PM.

III. Administration / Business

A. Town Administrator’s Report

Mr. Pardue provided the Board with some general updates concerning Department activities related to the annual report effort.

B. Correspondence

Ms. Creighton advised that she had received a reply from Mr. Christopher Leslie of Aquarion Water Company offering possible dates for him to meet with the Board.

IV. Adjournment

Being no further business to come before the Board, Ms. Creighton made a motion to adjourn at 7:22 p.m. Mr. Marsh seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and so moved 2-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Pardue
Town Administrator