

MINUTES OF THE APRIL 18, 2016 BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING

MEMBER'S PRESENT: Board Members Joe Lovejoy and Bruno Federico and Town Administrator Paul Deschaine.

At 7:34 pm Mr. Federico, filling in for Mr. Canada opened the general meeting of the Board of Selectmen.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Ms. Bronson reported that the current balance was \$3,852,230.36.

PLANNING:

Town Planner Tavis Austin went over previous meetings and informed the Board about upcoming meetings. Mr. Austin discussed the public improvement projects that were going on in town. Mr. Austin gave the Board a report on the offsite improvement funds and performance bonds.

Mr. Austin and the Board discussed the issue with how the farmer's market ordinance was worded and discussed how it could be remedied.

BUILDING AND CODE ENFORCEMENT:

Town Code Inspector Mark Morong stated that since his last report, 78 inspections had been done and 50 new permits had been issued. He went over the past ZBA meeting and the Board discussed how a patio should be defined and how they would like to proceed. Tim Mason stated he thought the Town needed to be careful how they were going to define patio as it could make walkways into structures. He continued he did not think that they should be addressed unless they are in the buffer zone. The Board decided they needed to study the issue further.

NEW BUSINESS:

Parks Director Seth Hickey stated that Seacoast United was requesting to use the Babe Ruth field on Saturdays and Sundays from 6 A.M. to 9 P.M. but would not be using all of the hours requested.

Mr. Lovejoy moved to allow Seacoast United to use the Babe Ruth field as presented as long as it does not interfere with the town schedule at a cost of \$75.00 per hour. Mr. Federico seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Kalle Matso, representing the Piscataqua Region Estuaries Partnership (PREP), discussed the regional water quality monitoring collaboration. He gave a background on the project and wanted Stratham to be a part of it and to make a donation. He continued by explaining to the Board what funds other towns had committed to. The Board decided they wanted to wait to have a full Board present until a decision was made.

Highway Director Colin Lavery indicated that he would like the Board to accept a donation of a Cyclone Rake XL from Robert Wickham and that it was valued at \$500.00.

Mr. Lovejoy moved to accept the donation. Mr. Federico seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Mr. Lavery stated that he had two old snow plows that he had no use for. He stated that he would like to attempt to sell them first through private sale or if they did not sell, bring them to the state auction. Mr. Lavery told the Board how he would like to price them.

Mr. Lovejoy moved to approve the request as presented. Mr. Federico seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

MEETINGS: The Chair then reviewed the meetings scheduled for the coming week and reviewed the meetings held this past week.

RESERVATIONS:

Deb Ludington requested use of the 4H Pavilion on 8/7 for a party.

Blake Abney requested use of the Scamman Pavilion on 6/11 for a birthday party.

Jeanne Muise requested use of the 4H Pavilion on 9/17 for a party.

Justin Jarosz requested use of the 4H Pavilion on 6/6 for a baby shower.

All requests were approved by the Board.

ADMINISTRATION:

Mr. Deschaine stated that he had spoken with the Church relative to the lot beside the Greenwood Cemetery and the Trustees of the Church decided they wanted to give the lot to the Town. He continued that they wanted to have a sign put up recognizing the donation, but there was already a plaque in place. The Board discussed the issue and decided they did not have a problem doing something to show the Town's appreciation, but did not agree with putting up a large, expensive sign.

Mr. Deschaine went over the auditor's questionnaire and the Board responded with their answers.

OLD BUSINESS:

Hawkers & Peddlers Ordinance Public Hearing:

At 9:55 P.M. Mr. Federico moved to open the public hearing and waive the reading of the amendments. Mr. Lovejoy seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

At 9:56 P.M. Mr. Federico moved to close the public hearing and adopt the amendments. Mr. Lovejoy seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Mr. Federico moved to amend the previous Hawkers and Peddlers Ordinance #1-03 and to repeal the Solicitations Ordinance #1-04. Mr. Lovejoy seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Mr. Lovejoy moved to appoint Brad Jones as an alternate to the Conservation Commission for a three year term. Mr. Federico seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Mr. Lovejoy moved to appoint John Boisvert to the Public Works Commission for a three year term. Mr. Federico seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

At 9:59 P.M. Mr. Federico moved to go into non-public session to discuss litigation issues. Mr. Lovejoy seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

At 10:22 P.M. Mr. Federico moved to come out of non-public and seal the minutes. Mr. Lovejoy seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

At 10:23 P.M. Mr. Lovejoy moved to adjourn. Mr. Federico seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Ashley Rodier
Recording Secretary