

SUNAPEE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
6:30PM Town Office Meeting Room
Tuesday, January 13, 2015

Present: Fred Gallup Chairman, Suzanne Gottling Vice Chairman, Shane Hastings, Joshua Trow, and Donna Nashawaty, Town Manager

Absent: Emma Smith

Also Present: See Sign-in Sheet

Chairman Gallup opened the meeting at 6:30PM.

REVIEW OF ITEMS FOR SIGNATURE:

Motion to approve the following CZC's, contingent on the proper DES permit attached to the Burkehaven Hill parcel

Parcel ID: 0103-0009-0000 74 Oak Ridge Rd. Scott & Taryn Foster

Parcel ID: 0136-0075-0000 217 Burkehaven Hill Al & Deb Mathews

By Selectman Gottling, seconded by Selectman Hastings Unanimous

Motion to approve the following LAND DISTURBANCE APPLICATIONS contingent on the proper DES permits being attached to applications:

Parcel ID: 0136-0075-0000 217 Burkehaven Hill Al & Deb Mathews

Parcel ID: 0104-0070-0000 1281 Route 11 Big Leap, LLC (GM Store)

By Selectman Hastings, seconded by Selectman Trow Unanimous

Motion to approve the following DEMO PERMIT contingent on the proper DES permit being attached to the application:

Parcel ID: 0104-0070-0000 1281 Route 11 Big Leap, LLC (GM Store)

By Selectman Trow, seconded by Selectman Hastings Unanimous

Chairman Gallup opened the Budget Public Hearing at 7:07PM

Donna Nashawaty presented the 2015 Budget to the public.

Some of the comments made by the public relevant to the 2015 budget;

- John Brandolini asked which base was used as the 2014 base, the voted or expended base. Donna Nashawaty said the voted base was used.
- Doreen Brandolini asked about the 7.7% increase in the Recreation budget. Scott Blewitt replied it has to do with a new roof at Dewey Beach and improvements to Dewey and Veterans Field.
- John Augustine stated that it was his understanding that the Selectmen get paid a stipend for their services, but there are supposed to be five (5) Selectmen, but only four (4) really ever show up. Does the fifth person collect their pay even though they do not show up. Donna Nashawaty said legally from the payroll perspective, there are five (5) stipends in the budget and there are five (5) sworn in Selectmen that are paid quarterly. Mr. Augustine asked when the last time a comprehensive wage study was done. Donna Nashawaty did a comparable study four (4) years ago. Mr. Augustine asked if the Board would consider doing one in 2015. The Board replied would consider.

•Charlene Osborne asked if the Town Manager could explain the revaluation process. The Town Manager explained the revaluation will be worked on through October 2015 and she will be available to answer any questions the public might have regarding the process. **Public Hearing was closed at 8:45PM**

APPOINTMENTS

6:50PM Chairman Gallup presented Donna Nashawaty, Town Manager with a ten (10) year service award.

6:55PM Chief David Cahill presented Meritorious service awards to Officer Timothy Therrien, Sunapee Police Department and Officers David Keith and Eben Lamson, New London Police Department for their heroic actions on January 4th at the Georges Mills General Store fire.

7:45PM Trustees of the Trust Funds-Capital Reserve Funds

Donna Nashawaty received an email from the Chairman of the Trustees of the Trust Funds regarding four (4) capital reserve trust fund accounts with low balances. The accounts cannot be used for anything other than the purpose the account was created. The Trustees would like a warrant article to “clean” these accounts up and the Board agreed. Donna Nashawaty spoke with the Department of Revenue, who helped with the wording of the warrant article.

SELECTMEN ACTION

•Donna Nashawaty explained that when the initial Perkins Pond Temporary construction Loan was set-up; the Town allowed themselves 2 three-month extensions, which have already been taken. It cannot be paid with the Bond proceeds until the Town has expended all of the money, which is obligated before the grant kicks in.

Motion to authorize Chairman Gallup to sign the replacement construction loan With Claremont Savings Bank for the Perkins Pond Project by Selectman Trow, seconded by Selectman Gottling. Unanimous.

•The Board received the Volunteer application from Eileen Stiles for reappointment to the Harbor House Livery Committee. The Committee approved the application, which is reflected in their December meeting minutes. **Motion to reappointment Eileen Stiles as an Alternate to the Harbor House Livery Committee by Selectman Gottling, seconded by Selectman Hastings. Unanimous**

•The Board reviewed the 2015 Warrant Articles and voted unanimously to recommended all of the articles.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

•Don Bettencourt wondered if there has been any feedback on the lights at the rink. Mr. Bettencourt stated that at night when coming down the hill into town the lights are distracting and make it harder to see the road. Chief Cahill replied that he did notice that the other day, but has not had a chance to talk to Scott Hazelton about the issue. Scott Hazelton also noticed it coming down the hill tonight and will have Craig Heino, of Building Maintenance, adjust the lights tomorrow.

•John Augustine stated that the Harbor House Livery met today, the meeting location was posted for the Town Office meeting room, but was held at the new library.

The doors were locked, which meant you had to knock on the door to get in.

Mr. Augustine asked if the Board would appoint someone to sit on the Harbor House Livery Committee to help them interact with the public similar to how the other town boards and committees do.

Chairman Gallup stated that the committee needs to do a better job of making sure their meeting postings are correct. Mr. Augustine is not sure the committee wants the public to attend. Mr. Augustine stated that he gives the Board of Selectmen a lot of credit; they always take public comments and listen to them with patience.

TOWN MANAGER REPORT

Events/Emergency/Work Detail Trailer

The following departments; fire, police, recreation and highway would like to get together to purchase an emergency/event trailer to be or as a communication center used during an event such as the turkey trot, or as a command center when an emergency event occurs such as the Georges Mills Store fire. The Water and Sewer Department is interested, but needs to get approval from the Commissioners before committing to the project.

The total cost includes the following; 7 x 16 aluminum tandem two-axle trailer; three bids, which are roughly around \$8,200, 4000 watt Honda Generator estimated cost is \$2,500, 2-telescoping exterior mounted pole lights estimated cost is \$1,200, retro-fit interior and letter exterior estimated cost is \$1,500, and signs, barricades and cones estimated cost is \$1,500, making the total no more than \$15,000. Chairman Gallup asked how it would be paid for and where it would be stored.

Donna Nashawaty explained that the fiscal year for 2014 has not been closed. Each department would encumber \$3,000, if the Water and Sewer Department decided not to participate than the amount would be \$3,800. The trailer would be stored behind the Safety Services Building or at the Highway Garage.

Motion to authorize up to \$12,000 from the 2014 operating budgets of the police, fire, and highway for the purchase of the event/emergency/work detail trailer by Selectman Trow, seconded by Selectman Hastings Unanimous

Motion to authorize the transfer of up to \$3,800 from the Special Recreation Revolving fund for the purchase of the event/emergency. Work detail trailer by Selectman Trow, seconded by Selectman Hastings

Meeting adjourned at 9:46PM
Submitted by,
Barbara Vaughn
Administrative Assistant

Approved: _____

Frederick Gallup, Chairman

Suzanne H. Gottling, Vice Chairman

Shane Hastings

Joshua Trow

Emma Smith