

SUNAPEE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
6:30PM Town Office Meeting Room
Monday, July 27, 2015

Present: Josh Trow, Chairman, Suzanne Gottling Vice Chairman, John Augustine, and Donna Nashawaty, Town Manager

Absent: Fred Gallup and Emma Smith

Also Present: See Sign-in Sheet

Chairman Trow opened the meeting at 6:30PM

REVIEW OF ITEMS FOR SIGNATURE:

Motion to approve the following CZC's:

Parcel ID: 0238-0002-0000 139 Timmothy Ken Mello

Parcel ID: 0129-0058-0000 17 Central Robert Buswell

Parcel ID: 0218-0041-0000 52 Hilltop Donald & Mimi Evans

Parcel ID: 0138-0034-0000 9 Stagecoach Brent & Laura Stocker

Parcel ID: 0128-0068-0000 109 Lake Ave. Philip Henneman

Parcel ID: 0144-0003-0000 70 Mabs Way Sylvia & Jeffrey Kellner

Parcel ID: 0102-0002-0002 128 Palazzi Pond Rd. Toni Berns

By Selectman Gottling, seconded by Selectman Augustine Unanimous

Motion to approve the following DEMO PERMIT:

Parcel ID: 0234-0006-0000 439 Stagecoach Road Marjorie Dillinger

By Selectman Gottling, seconded by Selectman Augustine Unanimous

Motion to approve the following LAND DISTURBANCE BOND:

Parcel ID: 0128-0068-0000 109 Lake Ave. Philip Henneman

Parcel ID: 0102-0002-0002 128 Palazzi Pond Rd. Toni Berns

By Selectman Gottling, seconded by Selectman Augustine Unanimous

Motion to approve the following DRIVEWAY PERMIT:

Parcel ID: 0144-0003-0000 70 Mabs Way Sylvia & Jeffrey Kellner

By Selectman Gottling, seconded by Selectman Augustine Unanimous

PUBLIC COMMENTS

•Minnette Sweeney-stated that she has had 5 incidences with skateboarders in the harbor within the last two (2) weeks and thought it would be nice if one of the Police Officers had a talk with them about yielding to autos and pedestrians.

•Alan Peterson asked when a resident can have guests come to Dewey Beach and be able to park there, it seems like no one can unless you're a Sunapee resident. Donna Nashawaty explained the procedures; property owners receive a three (3) year transfer station and beach parking pass, a renter or someone that stays overnight at the property receives a one (1) year transfer station and beach pass. If a Sunapee resident requests a pass for a visitor, there is a "cardstock" pass given up to a two (2) week period, that must have a plate number on it. Mr. Peterson stated he ask for a visitor's pass, but was denied.

Donna Nashawaty replied that Mr. Peterson asked for a pass for someone who was taking a sailing lesson at the beach and was not a Sunapee resident. Donna Nashawaty went on to say, that the Recreation Committee voted earlier this year not to allow people who were not Sunapee residents to participate in lessons at the beach. Mr. Peterson asked if he had asked for a guest pass to take someone sailing would he get a pass. Donna Nashawaty replied he would get a plate with the plate on it, for up to two (2) weeks.

- Dan Banks was told that Commissioner Rose from DRED solicited comment from the Board outside the comment period, which ended June 5th and hopes the Board does not get involved with it. Chairman Trow replied that the subject was on the agenda later in the meeting if the Board decides to comment.

SELECTMEN ACTION

- Barbara Sullivan gave the Board the details of Riverfest 2015. **Motion to approve the use of facilities application for Project Sunapee Riverfest 2015 on River Road on August 8th by Selectman Augustine, seconded by Selectman Gottling Unanimous**

- Motion to approve the use of facilities application for the Nelson/Dawson Wedding on August 23rd at Sunapee Harbor by Selectman Gottling, seconded by Selectman Augustine Unanimous**

- Motion to approve the use of facilities application from Council on Aging to use Dewey Beach for outdoor recreation for seniors on September 8th by Selectman Gottling, seconded by Selectman Augustine. Unanimous**

- Donna Nashawaty stated that the Claremont Savings Bank letter of credit for Perkins Pond expires on July 31st and there is still some money to be spent before the town has expended the initial base amount before the grant kicks in. The letter of credit will be extended until September 30th. **Motion to authorize the Chairman to sign the change in terms agreement that will extend the maturity date from July 31st to September 30th by Selectman Augustine, seconded by Selectman Gottling. Unanimous.**

- Donna Nashawaty received a call from Commissioner Rose from the Dept. of Resources of Economic Development (DRED) asking if the Board of Selectmen have any feedback or comments regarding Mt. Sunapee Decision before he issued his final decision. After some discussion, Chairman Trow feels the letter sent from Upper Valley Regional Planning Commission (UVRPC) regarding their concerns and issues addressed in their presentation, also addressed his concerns. Selectman Gottling would still have a concern about failing to pay attention to the exemplary forest. Selectman Gottling stated that being on the Resource Committee she has seen so many incidences where conservation does not mean conservation and preservation does not seem to mean preservation. In addition, Selectman Gottling has a lot of concerns about the State adhering to what it does say and she does feel in the Town's response that the UVRPC did pay attention to that. Donna Nashawaty will direct Commissioner Rose back to the second letter the Board wrote and say that the Board stands on that letter. Selectman Gottling said she believes that the Board particularly addressed the environmental issue.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

- Chairman Trow reminded everyone about the Summer Town Meeting on Tuesday, August 4th at 7:00PM in the Town Meeting Room.
- Selectman Augustine said it he thought it was in the minutes and newspaper about the Better Future Alliance (BFA) expenditures of \$55,000, but it was not clear as a reader that this was just on paper and that the Town has actually paid zero. So if that's true, he would like to see that in print, so the average person on the street reading those things don't think the Town paid \$55,000 for the work to date. Chairman Trow said the Board could certainly clarify that there was no expense to the Town.

TOWN MANAGER REPORTS

- Donna Nashawaty stated that Comcast is the cable franchise for the Town of Sunapee, There is an eight (8) year franchise agreement. Donna Nashawaty is working with the Comcast representative on the renewal.
 - The Board received the June monthly budget update.
 - Donna Nashawaty presented the possible Harbor House Livery public hearing dates to the Board. Donna Nashawaty met with the Riverway and have a hit list that they are working on in order to come up with the verb age for the various sections of what would be in the deed. Donna Nashawaty will bring more details to the first public hearing. The process to go forward with this is as follows; recommendations from the Planning Board and Conservation Commission, two (2) public hearings, at least ten (10), but not more than fourteen (14) days apart, and no sooner than seven (7) days, but no more than fourteen after the second public hearing the Selectmen can vote. The possible dates were August 17th and 31st for the two (2) public hearings and the vote on September 8th.
- Motion to direct the Town Manager to set the dates for the HHL public hearings on August 17th and August 31st by Selectman Gottling, seconded by Selectman Augustine. Unanimous**
- The Lower Main Street bridge contract was signed today and we will know the dates it will be closed tomorrow.
 - The Town received a new filing for the Zoning Board of Adjustment Dustin Aldrich Case. This particular one is not covered by our insurance because they were not asking for legal fees. We have asked the insurance attorney to merge the two (2) cases, so at that point, the insurance will still pay for the attorney to defense that piece.
 - The Newport BOS invited the Sunapee BOS to their meeting on Monday, July 27th to discuss mutual aid. Donna Nashawaty replied that the Sunapee BOS had their own agenda meeting on Monday, July 27th, Chief Dan Ruggles will attend.
 - Donna Nashawaty asked the Board for some guidance regarding charging fees for the use of the gazebo. The Town of Sunapee received funds from the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWDF), which is a federal program that gives money to purchase things for a public outdoor recreation. The Town utilized it in two (2) different ways, to purchase the upper land at Ski Tow Hill and to buy the land where the gazebo is in the harbor. Donna Nashawaty spoke with Bill Gegas from DRED, who sent the section of the LWCF that deals with area use fees; Discrimination on the basis of residence. Section 6(f) (8) of the LWCF Act provides, with respect to property acquired and/or developed with LWCF assistance, discrimination on the basis of residence, including preferential reservation, membership or annual permit systems is prohibited except to the extent

reasonable differences in admission and other fees may be maintained on the basis of residence. Fees charged to nonresidents cannot exceed twice the amount charged to residents. Where there is no charge for residents, but a fee is charged to nonresidents, nonresident fees cannot exceed fees charged for residents at comparable state or local public facilities. Reservation, membership or annual permit systems available to residents must also be available to nonresidents and the period of availability must be the same for both residents and nonresidents. Donna Nashawaty read off various NH state parks that charge fees for the use of their pavilions, gazebos, etc. Chairman Trow would not be opposed to a suggested donation of \$50, that would go into the general fund. Selectman Gottling said that many of these people seem to be going on the boats, bringing business to the Harbor, which is something we should not discount as a benefit. Selectman Augustine stated that because of the access to the boats it's a more attractive gazebo than the gazebo in New London or any other town, which to Selectman Augustine gives a greater opportunity to charge something, Donna Nashawaty added that it is a very unique location on the waterfront, even if you went to New London it's not like your backdrop is on the lake. After some discussion, the Board will start with a suggested donation of \$50 for non-residents that use town facilities. **Motion from this day forward applicants who are non-residents will be requested to provide a \$50 suggested donation for use of town facilities by Selectman Augustine, seconded by Selectman Trow 2 in favor 1 Opposed**

Selectman Gottling reminded the Board that today was Rod Chandler Day and that we should express our appreciation for his service and our regret that he won't be crossing our children or directing boats in the harbor. He will be missed

Meeting adjourned at 8:15PM
Submitted by,
Barbara Vaughn
Administrative Assistant

Approved: _____

Joshua Trow, Chairman

Suzanne H. Gottling, Vice Chairman

John Augustine

Frederick Gallup

Emma Smith