

SUNAPEE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
6:30PM Town Meeting Room
Monday, November 17, 2014

Present: Frederick Gallup, Chairman and 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

Parcel ID: 0125-0002-0000 47 Jobs Creek Rd. Raymond & Wilda DiGiovanni

Parcel ID: 0209-0004-0000 251 Perkins Pond Road Eugene & Jane Yonchak

Parcel ID: 0118-0056-0000 70 Burma Road Paul & Sheila Lewis

Parcel ID: 0118-0021-0000 55 Piney Point Rd. Jeffrey & Tammy Brode

Parcel ID: 0225-0086-0000 50 Treatment Plant Rd Town of Sunapee

By Selectman Gottling, seconded by Selectman Hastings Unanimous

Motion to waive the building permit fee and after the fact fee for the Town of Sunapee by Selectman Trow, seconded by Selectman Hastings. Unanimous.

Motion to approve the following Land Disturbance Bond:

Parcel ID: 0136-0057-0000 54 Birch Point Rd. Lee Page Trust

Parcel ID: 0105-0008-0000 75 Seven Springs Rd. Michael Skibbie

By Selectman Trow, seconded by Selectman Gottling Unanimous

Motion to approve the following Intent to Cut:

Parcel ID: 0207-0009-0000 North Rd & Dodge Pasture Mart & Maria Hulswit

By Selectman Gottling, seconded by Selectman Hastings. Unanimous

The Planning Board reviewed two (2) site plan applications at their November 6, 2014 meeting. The properties were a 7-unit apartment building at 11 Pleasant Street and a 12-14 unit apartment building (the Manor) on Prospect Hill Road. The Planning Board decided that both applications were incomplete and denied them. Due to the history and age of these buildings, the paperwork trail was complex and missing approvals required. Both Planning and Zoning Boards are meeting jointly on December 4th to expedite these applications. The Planning Board is asking that the fees be waived. **Motion to waive the two (2) site plan fees, but not the variance fee at this time by Selectman Gottling, seconded by Selectman Hastings. Unanimous.**

Chairman Gallup opened the public hearing at 7:00PM on to expend up to \$62,000 from the Paving of Dirt Roads Capital Reserve Fund for improvements on Nutting Road After some discussion, the public hearing closed at 7:24PM. **Motion to expend \$62,000 from the Paving of Dirt Roads Capital Reserve Fund for improvements on Nutting Road by Selectman Gottling, seconded by Selectman Hastings. Unanimous.**

APPOINTMENTS

7:15PM- Town Clerk/Tax Collector Budget

Betty Ramspott reviewed her 2015 budget with the Board.

7:30PM-Friends of Mount Sunapee

Jennifer Shea did a presentation on behalf of the Friends of Mount Sunapee concerning the proposed expansion on Mount Sunapee. The Friends of Mount Sunapee are an alliance of local and regional citizens who advocate for the protection of Mount Sunapee State Park. The presentation expressed the concerns of the group, which want transparency and accountability and want to know what the long-term plan is. The current operators of Mount Sunapee are seeking to extend existing ski trails onto land they privately hold in Goshen. There are three (3) primary concerns with the proposed expansion;

- 1) The proposed Master Plan Development Plan omits critical information.
- 2) The Environmental Management Plan is outdated, incorrect, and insufficient.
- 3) The potential negative effects on our community.

Ms. Shea stated that it was her understanding that a letter was already been written by the Sunapee Board of Selectmen in support of the proposed expansion. Ms. Shea went on to say, that on behalf of the Friends of Mount Sunapee, she asked the Board to consider what was presented tonight and to write a follow-up letter outlining any concerns that have been raised due to this new information. Chairman Gallup thanked Ms. Shea for coming tonight.

7:50PM Scott Blewitt-Various Items

1. Motion to grant Scott Blewitt permission to host the Looney Lunge at the Sunapee harbor Magic event on Saturday December 6th by Selectman Gottling, seconded by Selectman Trow. Unanimous

2. Motion to accept the \$500 donation from the Sunapee Seniors Thrift Shop and to spend for the design of a shed at Veterans Fields by Selectman Gottling, seconded by Selectman Hastings. Unanimous

3. Motion to grant permission to run the silent auction during Sunapee Harbor Magic by Selectman Trow, seconded by Selectman Hastings. Unanimous

4. Scott Blewitt would like the Board's permission to pursue bicycle safety signage with Highway Safety Committee and DOT. The signage would be for Route 11, 103 and 103B. Chairman Gallup representing the Highway Safety Committee will put it on the committee's next meeting agenda.

An ad was placed in the newspaper soliciting bids to sell the 1985 Mack Fire Tanker. The two (2) bids were received and opened on Friday, November 14th at 4:00PM by Chief Dan Ruggles and Barbara Vaughn. Razor Hill Excavation was the highest bidder at \$5,285. Chief Ruggles would like permission to sell the fire tanker to Razor Hill Excavation.
Motion for permission to sell the 1985 Mack Fire Tanker to Razor Hill Excavation for \$5,285 by Selectman Gottling, seconded by Selectman Trow. Unanimous

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Peter Urbach wanted to make two (2) comments both relating to the library. The new Abbott Library's grand opening was Saturday, November 15th, which was a resounding success, with over 400 people in attendance. Mr. Urbach's second point relates to the Department Budget Session that was held on Friday, November 7th. The library presented their 2015 budget, which included an item for legal fees. There was some discussion that legal fees were not included in the 2014 library budget. It was stated that the monies for the 2014 legal fees came from the Abbott Library Foundation. Mr. Urbach wanted to clarify that the money for legal fees came from volunteer contributions from the Trustees. Mr. Urbach urged that the money for legal fees remain in the library budget. Chairman Gallup replied that the possibility of putting that money in the Town side of the budget was considered. Donna Nashawaty asked if the contract was with the Library Trustees, or did they accept a donation. Mr. Urbach replied that three (3) Trustees contributed to the Abbott Library Foundation, who contracted with the Attorney.
- Van Webb wondered why any of the stakeholders were not invited to the Board of Selectmen meeting on November 3rd when Mount Royal Academy met with the Board. Chairman Gallup replied that it was very preliminary and it is intended to have further discussions with Mount Royal Academy. Mr. Webb asked if they would be a warrant article to remove property from the Town Forest, Chairman Gallup replied no, not at this time. In addition, Mr. Webb asked Donna Nashawaty if she was able to find the letter from the Dewey Family, specifically, the one who was very opposed to anything this that. Donna Nashawaty stated that she had a heads-up that there was going to be some discussion on this, and brought the Board up to speed up on our initial meetings, our feelings and attached the letters from the Dewey family regarding the properties. Mr. Webb replied that there are some very strong feelings in the Dewey family that if anything ever happened they would still want the properties to be a park and preserved for public use.
- John Augustine wanted to state for the record that the Harbor House Livery met last week and no one from the Board of Selectmen attended the meeting, so he wanted to update the Board. Mr. Augustine continued saying the purpose of the Harbor House Livery meeting was to figure out what to present at the Thursday, November 20th forum. One of the things talked about was the mission of the committee and the people on the committee in the room did not have a consensus on what the goal of the committee was. Mr. Augustine urged the Board to remind the committee on what their charge is.

SELECTMEN ACTION

•Motion to authorize the reappointments of Van Webb and Timothy Fleury to the Conservation Commission by Selectman Hastings, seconded by Selectman Trow. Unanimous

- The Board discussed the outside agencies that had submitted a funding request for 2015 and decided not to fund the Red Cross, Casa and Big Brothers Big Sisters. In addition, the Board asked the Town Manger to put COA on the December 1st agenda at 7:10PM.
- Donna Nashawaty reviewed the budget changes with the Board. The Budget Advisory Committee asked Donna Nashawaty for various spreadsheets, which they will review and make their recommendations to the Board at the December 1st Board of Selectmen meeting.
- Chairman Gallup asked the Boards feeling on writing a follow-up letter on the request in support of the Friends of Mount Sunapee. Selectman Gottling did not have a problem particularly if it reflected the statement of the Upper Valley Planning Commission, which was that they understood the need for improvements, and the importance to the economy, but they felt that there were questions that needed to be answered, Selectman Trow agreed.

After some discussion, the Board directed the Town Manager to draft a letter, which basically follows the Upper Valley Planning Commission comments, the Town Manager will email for their review. Chairman Gallup was not a part of this discussion.

TOWN MANAGER REPORTS

- Interesting Article in the Town & City publication regarding NHMA
- The town received the county tax bill for \$3,631,927, which is due on December 17th
- The Riverway is holding the public forum on Thursday, November 20th at 7:00PM
- Mount Royal Academy update-Donna Nashawaty called the state regarding the right-of-way road width, but has not heard back from them. In addition, DES is asking for a new septic plan. The school is operating under a 2005 plan for 90 students, but the gymnasium and cafeteria were not considered in this plan.

First Non-public: 9:40 PM Motion to go into nonpublic under RSA 91-A:3, II (a), to consider the (1) dismissal; (2) promotion; (3) compensation; or (4) investigation of a complaint regarding a town employee, made by Josh Trow and seconded by Suzanne Gottling. Roll Call Scott Hazelton invited by Board to participate.

10:20 PM Motion to come out of nonpublic made by Josh Trow and seconded by Suzanne Gottling. Roll Call. Unanimous

**10:20 PM Motion made to seal the minutes since divulgence of the information likely would affect adversely the reputation of any person other than a member of the public body itself by Josh Trow and seconded by Shane Hastings. Unanimous
Scott Hazelton left the meeting.**

Second Non-public: 10:21 PM Motion to go into nonpublic under RSA 91-A:3, II (a), to consider the (1) dismissal; (2) promotion; (3) compensation; or (4) investigation of a complaint regarding a town employee, made by Josh Trow and seconded by Shane Hastings. Roll Call Unanimous

11:05 PM Motion to come out of nonpublic made by Josh Trow and seconded by Suzanne Gottling. Roll Call Unanimous

11:05 PM Motion made to seal the minutes since divulgence of the information likely would affect adversely the reputation of any person other than a member of the public body itself by Josh Trow and seconded by Shane Hastings Unanimous Third Non-public: 11:06 PM Motion to go into nonpublic under Per RSA 91-A II (a) made by Josh Trow and seconded by Shane Hastings. Roll Call 11:20 PM Motion to come out of nonpublic made by Josh Trow and seconded by Suzanne Gottling. Roll Call
Session 3: D. Nashawaty discussed the Town Manager contract with the Board of Selectmen, no decision made.

**Meeting adjourned at 11:20PM
Submitted by,
Barbara Vaughn, Administrative Assistant**

Approved: _____

Frederick Gallup, Chairman Suzanne Gottling, Vice Chairman

Shane Hastings Joshua Trow

Emma Smith