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NEWBURY BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES OF AUGUST 11, 2014 MEETING

Selectmen: Richard Wright, Gary Budd and Ed Thorson.

Town Personnel: Dennis Pavlicek, Town Administrator; Donna Long, Administrative Assistant; Cal Prussman, Highway Administrator.

Public: Katheryn Holmes, Theresa Paige, Bruce Barton, Ron Williams, Tanya McIntire and others.

The meeting convened at 6:00 p.m.

PUBLIC INPUT:

Bruce Barton asked if the Board of the Veterans Committee could purchase a buffer to buff the wood floors at the Veterans Hall. He said that it could be buffed after every major function at the hall. He said they are looking at a rebuilt buffer and they would be able to buff the floors themselves and avoid having to hire somebody to buff it twice a year. Bruce said that the Veterans Committee would be responsible for buffing the floor once or twice a year. Wright said that someone from the Veterans Committee should get a key to the mechanical room to store it and take a look at what tools are in there. The Board agreed to this request.

Ron Williams approached the Board to discuss a renter that rents from a property owner during the first week of August and makes a lot of noise. Wright told him to tell the police and Williams said that he did and he said that the police told him that they had a permit to make noise until midnight. Wright said there is no such permit. The Board will follow up with the police department and Dennis will follow up with Ron.

Tanya McIntire approached the Board to discuss the Blodgett Landing zoning. She says that the buildings that are going up now are not cottages. She says that she feels that the regulations should be stricter in Blodgett Landing. She said she would like compensation for the fact that the zoning ordinances have not been complied. Wright asked her to give examples. McIntire decided to leave the meeting.

APPOINTMENTS:

Theresa Paige made a presentation about the Community Action Program to the Board of Selectmen. She discussed the volunteer driver programs that are in place for Belknap & Merrimack counties, as well parts of Hillsborough County. She discussed the need for rides and they have an average of 649 rides per month above and beyond the other services that are out there. She will send out information with a link to the Selectmen. The Board thanked her for coming in.

Katheryn Holmes met with the Board to bring them up-to-date with the Malia Terrace violation. She said that she feels that this has been a very long process and is not quite sure what the next step should be. She said that an outside arborist came in gave recommendations on what the homeowner should plant to help the erosion. Holmes mentioned that a meeting was created and both the code enforcement officer and the land owner forgot to attend the meeting. Ed Thorson asked Holmes what she feels the holdup is for the new plantings. Holmes replied that part of the holdup is that the hemlocks that are suggested should be planted by the end of August. Wright suggested that she present the summary to DB Landscaping and say that this is the summation of what we think the plan should be to replant and to incorporate it with what his arborist said. He wants it to be in writing. Thorson said that he feels that the landowner should be paying the fee of hiring the arborist. Wright said that she should also ask them to give a warranty that these should grow and if they don't they should replant.

NEW BUSINESS:

Pavlicek read a letter from the Norris Cancer Center and is looking to use the facility again next year. The Board approved this request.

Pavlicek stated that one bid came in for the Transfer Station Project. The bid will go to Ian Oxtan in Claremont in the amount of \$25,900 to include concrete, framing, roofline trim and roofing for the new building at the Transfer Station.

Pavlicek discussed an email from Travis Dezotell with the proposed soccer field bid. The Board said they would like to put the ad in the Concord Monitor and the Kearsarge Shopper.

Cal Prussman asked about a tree that came down from a property owner and was told that the highway department was supposed to clean it up. Wright said that he had spoken to the property owner and he said that he would talk to Prussman to see what they could do about the tree that is sitting on the town side of the stone wall. Prussman said that it is their tree and they should be responsible for taking down the tree. He would like to sit down with the selectmen to discuss what should be done with the dead trees throughout town. Wright said that he would like to identify some of these dead trees. Prussman said they should go throughout town and prioritize what trees should come down. Prussman said that he would like to ride around with Wright to discuss which trees should come down.

Pavlicek said that he met with NBC and they would like to clean and trim all the bushes in front of the building and leave the bulbs and clean out the lilies of the valley in front of the town office and do all of the labor and they would like to get 1800 bulbs and plant in between the fences, in front of the town office and plant some more tulips at the triangle. The overall cost would be \$600. The Board approved this request.

All construction has been completed at Blodgett Landing Sewer Plant, so the capital project fund will be closed in FY 2014. Any balances will be transferred to the Blodgett Landing Sewer Fund.

NON-PUBLIC SESSION:

The Board voted to go into non-public session under RSA 91-A:3, II, a-e at 7:28 p.m. to discuss a personnel issue. No decisions were made. The board came out of non-public at 7:35 p.m. The minutes will be sealed indefinitely.

INTENT TO CUT: An Intent to Cut from David Kinsman, Map/Lot #044-666-156 was approved and signed. An Intent to Cut from Scott Hill, Map/Lot #026-098-137 was approved and signed.

ABATEMENTS: The Board denied an abatement request from Patricia Murray, Map/Lot# 020-079-136.

MINUTES: Minutes of July 28, 2014 were approved to file.

PAYROLL & ACCOUNTS PAYABLE: Week ending August 9, 2014 were approved and signed.

PURCHASE AUTHORIZATION: None.

MEETING ADJOURNED: Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: Monday, August 25, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. at the Town Office.

NEWBURY BOARD OF SELECTMEN



Gary Budd



Ed Thorson



Richard Wright
Chair