

**NEWBURY BOARD OF SELECTMEN**  
**MINUTES OF September 8, 2014 MEETING**

Selectmen: Richard Wright, Gary Budd and Ed Thorson

Town Personnel: Dennis Pavlicek, Town Administrator; Meg Whittemore, Recording Secretary

Public: Lindsey Holmes, Police Chief Robert Lee, Cal Prussman, Highway Administrator

The meeting convened at 6:00 p.m.

**PUBLIC INPUT:** Lindsey Holmes, 17 Great Island, Newbury, NH presented an extensive description of the Great Island S.E.P.T.I.C. Association which was incorporated on or about October 16, 1984 for the purpose of constructing a community septic system. Ms. Holmes described the history of the Association, its financial statements, fee structures, and an inspection report dated July 16, 2013. She noted that the inspection report listed various deficiencies and that said deficiencies have not been remediated. Ms. Holmes said the system is 30 years old and that it has not been maintained or pumped. She presented photos of a sludge pool 20 feet long and six feet wide on her property emanating from the above ground sewer pipes on Great Island. She added that there is no insurance coverage for a sewage spill.

There was significant discussion regarding the situation and whether this is a civil matter among the Great Island residents or if it is within the town's purview to get involved. Paul LaCasse, Code Enforcement Officer (CEO), said it is a matter for DES enforcement. There was discussion concerning the age of the septic system, its life span, and routine maintenance standards for septic systems.

Dennis Pavlicek, town administrator, said the information will be sent to town counsel for advice on how to proceed. The Selectmen suggested that Ms. Holmes contact Lake Sunapee Protective Association (LSPA) for additional input and possible support.

**DISCUSSION:** Cal Prussman, Highway Administrator, requested that the town rent a loader to help with the maintenance of a 700-foot ditch line and a mile of gravel road on Southgate Road. Discussion followed regarding materials, culverts, and the ditch line at the curbing. Mr. Prussman added that he will be meeting with Henry Thomas regarding the Transfer Station.

Mr. Pavlicek requested Selectmen for the opening and closing of the polls on September 9, 2014. Mr. Thornsens volunteered to open the polls at 7:00 a.m. and Mr. Wright volunteered to close the polls at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Wright suggested that the Selectmen send a letter of support for the proposed Mount Sunapee Resort West Bowl planned expansion. He added that the public presentation held recently was

well-attended. Mr. Thorsen made a motion to draft a letter of support to DRED for review at the next meeting. Mr. Budd seconded the motion. All in favor.

Selectmen reviewed seven buffer zone cut applications and approved six of them and denied one.

There was discussion regarding the Athletic Field and the bid amounts to date.

Mr. Wright asked Chief Robert Lee about the status of the dog licenses. Chief Lee said all have paid. Mr. Wright noted that there have been complaints at the past two Selectmen meetings from residents of Blodgetts Landing regarding enforcement of the noise ordinance, particularly as it applies to David Frechett. Discussion followed. Mr. Pavlicek read into the record the existing temporary special permit, Section 60-106, Temporary Special Permit. Chief Lee suggested adding language to the existing ordinance. Further discussion ensued regarding the existing complaints and how to handle individual rights. Chief Lee noted that his officers have regularly patrolled the area and that no complaints were received at his office from Blodgetts residents.

Chief Lee questioned the status of a draft ordinance for the Transfer Station. Mr. Wright said the draft is pending until the Transfer Station renovation is completed.

There was significant discussion about the possible training program for the Police Department known as CALEA. The cost is estimated at \$7,000 for the training and housing of trainees. Mr. Wright said the Selectmen will bring this up at the Budget hearings.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

ABATEMENT REQUESTS: None.

MINUTES: Minutes of August 25, 2014 were approved to file.

PAYROLL & ACCOUNTS PAYABLE: Week ending September 6, 2014 were approved and signed.

INTENT TO CUT: None.

PURCHASE AUTHORIZATION: None.

Mr. Wright made a motion to go into Non-Public Session per RSA 91-A:3, II, a-e. Mr. Thorson seconded the motion. There was a Roll Call vote all in favor. The Selectmen went into Non-Public Session at 7:43 p.m.

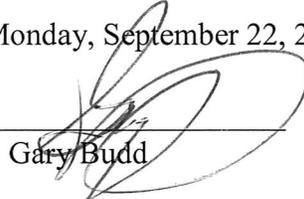
The Selectmen came out of Non-Public Session at 7:54 p.m. Mr. Thorsen made a motion to seal the minutes of the non-public session indefinitely. Mr. Budd seconded the motion. There was a Roll Call vote all in favor.

The Selectmen met with Fire Department Chief Henry Thomas regarding the radio programming for the Fire Department.

MEETING ADJOURNED at 7:50 p.m.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: Monday, September 22, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. at the Town Office.

  
Richard Wright

  
Gary Budd

Ed Thorson

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