

Minutes of the Selectmen's Meeting September 15, 2015

Members present: Jim Andersen, Chairman, Lynn Sweet and Bryant Scott

In attendance: Barbara Scannell, Fire Chief Scott Whitehouse and Police Chief Scott Young

The Selectmen's meeting commenced at 5:59PM.

The Selectmen reviewed and authorized payroll and payment of bills. Minutes of the August 18th meeting were read and approved. Correspondence from Senator Reagan was read, and an Intent to Cut Timber was signed.

Barbara Scannell, Friar Tuck Lane in Nottingham, thanked the Selectmen for the opportunity to speak to them about taxes owed on her family's property on Fire Road 266. The property is currently for sale. There was some discussion with suggestions being made and several scenarios presented. Selectmen Sweet recused herself from participating in discussion and any decision that the Board would subsequently make. Mr. Scott and Mr. Andersen told Mrs. Scannell that they would discuss the matter and get back to her with a decision.

At this time a motion was made by Jim Andersen and seconded by Lynn Sweet to enter into a non-public session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3 II (a). Roll call was taken as follows:

Jim Andersen – Aye, Lynn Sweet – Aye, Bryant Scott – Aye

The Board entered non-public session at 6:39PM.

A motion was made by Bryant Scott to leave non-public session and seconded by Lynn Sweet to return to public session. Roll call was taken as follows:

Jim Andersen – Aye, Lynn Sweet – Aye, Bryant Scott – Aye

A motion was made by Ms. Sweet and seconded by Mr. Andersen to seal the minutes of the non-public session. Roll call was taken as follows:

Jim Andersen – Aye, Lynn Sweet – Aye, Bryant Scott – Aye

Public session reconvened at 7:25PM.

No votes were taken during the non-public session.

The Selectmen congratulated Fire Chief Scott Whitehouse on successfully completing his probationary period as Strafford's Fire Chief. Scott reported that he is continuing to closely monitor burn permits with the current stretch of dry weather.

The Selectmen asked both chiefs to have some preliminary budget requests ready for their November 10th meeting.

The final matter on the meeting's agenda was discussion about a larger container at the Recycling Center to store electronics awaiting pickup. Our current storage space is limited, and the fee to make a pickup has increased. It was agreed that a larger container could be a savings; the Board members would like Ben to get some firm prices for used containers. Whether the purchase would be a budget consideration for 2015 or 2016 was not determined.

There being no further business to be brought before the Board a motion was made, seconded, and voted to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:41PM.