

Minutes of the Selectmen's Meeting August 4, 2015

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

In attendance: Elizabeth Evans, Sandy Payne, Anna Barbara Hantz, Don J. Clifford, Charlie Moreno, Brian Payne, Diane Waldron

The Selectmen's meeting commenced at 6:00PM.

Ms. Evans provided the Board members with some information about the Paynes' request to the unmerge M7 L8 and Map 37 Lot 11.

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

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

The Board entered non-public session at 6:05PM.

A motion was made by Bryant Scott to leave non-public session and seconded by Jim Andersen 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 Mr. Andersen and seconded by Ms. Sweet 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 6:16PM.

No votes were taken during the non-public session.

After brief discussion about the proposed unmerging of Map 7 Lot 8 and Map 37 Lot 11, Ms. Sweet made a motion that the Board of Selectmen approve the Paynes' request to unmerge their 2 lots pursuant to RSA 674:39-aa. The motion was seconded by Mr. Scott. A vote was taken as follows:

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

A discussion followed with Mr. Clifford and Mr. Moreno regarding the decision to grant the unmerger. The roles of the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals as the subdivision plans move forward were also discussed.

Charlie Moreno, First Crown Point Road, Chairman of the Planning Board introduced himself to the Selectmen. He was in attendance to encourage communication among members who serve on various Town boards. A very brief discussion followed about ethical standards and civility necessary for the proper working of the boards.

Mr. Clifford, Tasker Hill Road, was in attendance for several reasons. He wanted to follow up on conversation about the feasibility of the audio recording of Town Meetings; this has not yet been

formally addressed through the Selectmen's Office. He gave kudos for the recent paving work at the Police Department, but would prefer to see such a project presented as a separate warrant article. He inquired about the status of a land use situation that has not come before the Planning Board and would like to see the Town take some action. Finally there was discussion about the condition of the gate at the dam and the State's "red tape" involved for the snowmobile club to repair it.

The Selectmen reviewed and authorized payroll and payment of bills. They signed an appointment slip for Seth Blewitt who will be a library trustee alternate and an Intent to Cut. Members also reviewed and briefly discussed correspondence from the assessor. The Selectmen also reviewed a letter from a resident responding to concerns the Board had expressed regarding land use.

In response to a resident's report of 2 hazardous trees along Water Street, the Road Agent, Greg Messenger, checked out the situation and reported that one tree is dead and the other just has some dead limbs. The Selectmen authorized him to contact someone to do the necessary work

The Selectmen reviewed pictures of the Town's public dock in response to a resident's report about the difficulty of access from the public dock into a canoe or kayak; they will take the report under advisement, noting that the purpose of the boards which surround the dock near the water level are meant to serve as a bumper to protect the boats from the concrete and are not meant to serve as a step. With the water level particularly low this season, they suggested the public boat launch might be a better place to enter the lake.

The port a potties will remain at the dam area until shortly after Labor Day. August 14th is the last day for lifeguards at the beach.

The execution of the tax deed on a piece of property, M11 L64-3, on Roller Coaster Road is scheduled for Wednesday, August 5th.

The members of the Board gave their approval to Diane Waldron's proposal to henceforth refer to her deputies as Assistant Town Clerks. This is in line with the State's recommendation.

The Selectmen discussed some recommendations from the auditor concerning documentation on employee timesheets. The Selectmen's Office will make new time sheets for all departments which will provide opportunity for more clarification of duty.

Ms. Sweet reported that she had reviewed the Request for Proposal for the General Assessing and Statistical Update contracts. The Selectmen's Office will ask Keith Gagnon, the Town's DRA appraiser, to review it before the Board's final approval.

A public hearing is scheduled for 6:00 on August 18, 2015 for the purpose of reviewing an event permitting process and application.

There was a brief discussion about a situation of a resident using Town property as access to his own property. The Selectmen will request that the Road Agent strategically place some boulders to limit access.

Mr. Andersen reported that the Fire Department had 30 calls in July. They are up 10% for the year thus far.

Mr. Andersen also had a brief update on the Recycling Center. Ben Francum will be purchasing 3 season jackets and lightweight summer vests for the Recycling Center employees. The backhoe has a bad tire and keeps losing air. Some possibilities for repair/replacement were discussed.

There being no further business to be brought before the Board a motion was made, seconded, and voted to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 8:12PM.