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Town of New Boston Selectmen's Meeting June 17, 2013

PRESENT:

Rodney Towne	Selectman
Dwight Lovejoy	Selectman
Christine Quirk	Selectman
Peter Flynn	Town Administrator

Brandy Mitroff, Town Clerk Irene Baudreau, Deputy Town Clerk Cathy Strausbaugh, Road Agent Dick Perusse, Library Trustee Bill Gould, Senator Andy Sanborn and Mr. Denesevich of the public were present.

A. CALL TO ORDER: A regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen was called to order by Christine Quirk at 5:00PM beginning with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Consent Agenda-The Selectmen signed the consent agenda. Rodney moved to approve the consent agenda. Dwight seconded the motion. All were in favor. 3-0

B. PUBLIC FORUM:

None.

C. APPOINTMENTS:

Item 1: Senator Andy Sanborn-Senate Updates: Senator Andy Sanborn was present to meet with the Selectmen to discuss issues the State Senate is working on. He is visiting all communities he serves. A big issue is the budget. He gave a budget overview and updates on the current Senate approved budget. He offered to give a talk in New Boston about the mechanics of Obamacare. Rodney asked what involvement the legislature has regarding rules and regulations caused by legislation that affects town time, resources and money. Andy said he is working on changing this. He asked the towns to call him when rules and regulations are an issue and he will work on it.

Item 2: Town Clerk Irene Baudreau-Update on Town Clerk's Office: Town Clerk Irene Baudreau and Deputy Town Clerk Cathy Strausbaugh were present to meet with the Selectmen to discuss the status of the Town Clerk's office. She prepared an outline for the Selectmen's review and said the status of the office is as expected. (See attachment) She discussed potential voter ID legislation with Andy Sanborn but the final requirements have not yet been determined. On-line payments are beginning. Dog license registration status was discussed. The boat registration issue discussed last year has been resolved. The town signed up for a new vehicle plate release program with the state that is working well and saving time.

Item 3: Road Agent Dick Perusse-Discussion Re: Library Driveway and Hilldale Lane

Bridge: Road Agent Dick Perusse was present to meet with the Selectmen to discuss projects the Highway Department is working on as follows:

- There is damage to the wooden guardrail along the library driveway. Planning Coordinator Nic Strong researched the deed and found the town owns this driveway and is responsible to maintain it. The guardrail will be repaired Thursday. The cause of the damage is unknown. It was originally built to post office specifications. It will be repaired to these specifications but in the future may be maintained as a driveway or continue to maintain in current condition as required by the deed dated July 30, 2003. The Selectmen feel the shrubs and trees are not the town's responsibility but there is one blocking a stop sign that will be trimmed.
- Dick received two quotes for the Hilldale Bridge project. These were reviewed. Dick prefers the quote from Concrete Systems. The work will be done in August. Rodney moved to accept the proposal from Concrete Systems contingent upon positive references and an OSHA report. Dwight seconded the motion. All were in favor. 3-0 there is \$130,000 approved in a Warrant Article for this project. The town will do the construction work. Able Crane will do Crane work. Paving and guardrail costs will be additional.
- An issue has come up for the Riverdale Road Bridge with DES/State Historic Preservation Society/DOT where they may require colored concrete.
- Dick applied for possible FEMA reimbursement for the February storm.
- Dick applied for a grant to upsize the generator at the Highway Department.

D. OLD BUSINESS:

Item 4: Approval of the Minutes of June 3, 2013 and special meeting June 11, 2013: The Selectmen reviewed the minutes of June 3, 2013 and June 11, 2013. Rodney moved that they be accepted as presented. Dwight seconded the motion. All were in favor. 3-0

E. NEW BUSINESS:

Item 5: Summer meeting revision of schedule for August-Peter Flynn: The Selectmen agreed to change the August 5 meeting to July 29.

F. OTHER BUSINESS:

Item 8: Town Administrator's Report:

1. Riverdale Road Bridge Engineering Update: As above.
2. Foistner Letter to Town Administrator: Town Attorney Bill Drescher is composing a letter of response.
3. LaPenn Correspondence: Peter is researching the situation.
4. Christian Farm Drive: Peter is seeking the release from the previous developer, Doug Hill, and then the Highway Department can begin work. The Selectmen noted the Planning Board is not asking enough for road bonds in general. These should cover project manager and engineering as well as construction. This is also a potential issue on the Twin Bridge development.

Item 7: Selectmen's Reports:

Christine reported on the recent Planning Board meeting as follows:

- The Planning Board reviewed their 2013 goals.
- Aspects of the zoning ordinance were discussed with no change made since the last discussion. Open Space subdivisions were discussed. The open space subdivision and landscaping ordinance will be discussed at the next meeting. A possible update to the recreation camping park ordinance was also discussed.
- The Planning Board discussed starting work on the cul de sac issue including lengths and density. They hope to conclude this issue this year. This will be discussed again at their July 23 meeting.
- Scott Whitney met with the Planning Board about his business at 636 North Mast Road as he wanted to change the unit which used to house New England Rentals to an auto repair shop. This was approved. He will meet with Planning Coordinator Nic Strong to review the plans. He also requested beginning a firearms business out of the same building and will have to meet with the Board again to discuss this as a separate application.
- Christian Farm Drive as above.
- A bond release at the Twin Bridge development was discussed but they are not yet in compliance with an open area of under five acres, therefore the developer will not get as much of the bond released as requested. He also owes the town \$52,000 as the next installment for the engineer' inspections. The Planning Board discussed not allowing installments with developers in the future.

Public Forum:

The agreement on the Twin Bridge Open Space property is as follows: the Town of New Boston will own the open space parcel and the Conservation Commission has agreed to monitor it on the town's behalf. A meeting was held at the property June 11. The town now has an obligation to follow through with the agreement and sign the deed. This property will be for daytime only public use. Mr. Denesevich was present and asked about parking. Two parking spaces at the end of the road to the left of the bridge abutment are planned near his property. The Conservation Commission will post signs at the property. The Martels have a right of way on town property for their driveway and that will continue. Rodney moved to authorize the agreement between Twin Bridge Land Management, LLC and the town. Dwight seconded the motion. All were in favor. 3-0 The Chairman signed the agreement.

ADJOURNMENT: Rodney made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:43 PM. Dwight seconded the motion. All were in favor. 3-0 The next Selectmen's meeting will begin at 5:00 PM.

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