

1. Call Meeting to Order

Chairman Eastman convened the Board at 7:00 PM in the Nowak Room of the Town Office and introduced other members of the Board: Ms. Julie Gilman, Mr. Lionel Ingram, Mr. Joe Pace, and Mr. Russell Dean, Town Manager.

2. Public Comment

Ms. Martha Pennell has 3 suggestions for reruns of Board Meetings.

1. A schedule of reruns to appear on Channel 22.
2. A schedule of reruns on the website.
3. A schedule of reruns in the newspaper.

3. Minutes

Mr. Pace moved to waive the reading of the minutes of July 16th, 2007 and accept the minutes as submitted; second by Mr. Ingram. VOTE: Unanimous.

4. Appointments**a) Budget Committee**

Mr. Pace moves that Rob Corson and Victoria Nawoichyk; be appointed to the Budget Committee. Mr. Ingram seconds. VOTE: Unanimous.

5. Discussion/Action Items

- a. Sportsman's Club- Mr. Dean presents the Sportsmen's Club version of a long-term lease for the current property on Portsmouth Ave adjacent to the Water Treatment Plant for a term of 99 years and a rental of \$10 per year. Mr. Joe Kenick, Jr., President of the Sportsman's Club, explains the layout of the land in relation to the Water Plant and EPA regulations. Mr. Dean notes that the Water Department and Town Engineer must be consulted prior to moving forward. Ms. Gilman notes that this is a long lease and the taxpayers should have their say at subsequent meetings.
- b. Fixed Asset Policy- Mr. Dean presents a clarified and amended Policy, per prior meeting notes and comments. Mr. Pace agrees that the language is now clear. *Mr. Pace moves to adopt the July 30, 2007 version of the Fixed Asset Policy, effective August 6, 2007. Mr. Ingram seconds. VOTE: Unanimous.*
- c. Purchasing Policy- Mr. Dean presents a clarified and amended Policy, per prior meeting notes and comments. Mr. Pace notes that Item E is not clarified, and a limit must be placed pending Board approval. Mr. Ingram notes that Item 9 should be amended and Mr. Pace would like Item 6 amended as well.

d. Town Building Advisory Committee- Mr. Dean presents the objectives of the committee (attached). Mr. Pace suggests that on the 6th bullet item on the list, the language should change to reflect “current and potential non municipal tenants and users”. Mr. Eastman would like the committee to be expanded to 7 members. *Mr. Ingram moves to adopt the term of this Committee with the changes that were discussed, Mr. Pace seconds. VOTE: Unanimous.*

6. Public Hearings

a) First Reading: Parking Ordinance Amendment Front Street- Ms. Martha Pennell is not opposed to the Ordinance if it is a necessary measure, however, she would like to know where the cars would park. She believes that the Town should develop a committee to look at overall parking issues as well as increased signage. Mr. Dean states that he did meet with Phillips Exeter Academy officials regarding parking issues, and will discuss these issues with the Board in September. Mr. Arthur Baillargeon would like this Ordinance to be adopted. Ms. Gilman agrees that the Town should look at parking solution. Ms. Pennell also suggests an electronic community bulletin board. There will be 2 more readings of this Ordinance.

7. Permits & Approvals

a) Abatements & Exemptions- (attached)

Mr. Pace moved that the abatements be accepted; second by Mr. Ingram. VOTE: Unanimous.

b) Permits

Mr. Pace moved to approve The Great Bay Youth Orchestra permit as presented; second by Mr. Ingram. VOTE: Unanimous.

Mr. Pace moved to approve Bob Moore’s permit to close Swasey Parkway for a peace concert subject to public safety approval; second by Mr. Ingram. VOTE: Unanimous.

8. Reports

a) Town Manager’s Report- attached

b) Selectmen’s Committee Reports

Mr. Pace: The Arts Committee met last Thursday and the Cable TV Committee will meet on Wednesday to finalize the Policy regarding public access and equipment upgrades, and scheduling reruns of Board.

Mr. Campbell: Not present.

Ms. Gilman: The Zoning Ordinance Review Committee reviewed the Epping Road area, and the next meeting is August 15. The Planning Board discussed Riverwoods Phase 3 progress and saw a presentation from them. There was no Historic District Commission meeting but will meet in 3 weeks. The Heritage Commission will meet next week.

Mr. Ingram: No meetings to report since all of his Committees are on vacation.

Mr. Eastman: No meetings to report.

9. Public Comment

Mr. Tim Heidl returned to discuss his June list of ideas for the Town of Exeter. (**NEED HANDOUT**)

10. Non Public Session

11. Adjournment-

Mr. Ingram moved to adjourn; second by Mr. Pace. VOTE: Unanimous.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:28 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly Geis
AA/HR