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BOARD OF SELECMEN MEETING

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February 11, 2008

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, Mr. Bill Campbell and Mr. Russell Dean, Town Manager.

2. Public Comment

Martha Pennell is concerned about the heaps of snow in the streets and blocking various parking spaces as well as the snow that is interfering with visibility while driving.

3. Minutes

Mr. Pace moved to waive the reading of the minutes of January 28, 2008 and accept the minutes as submitted; second by Mr. Campbell. VOTE: Unanimous.

4. Appointments

Mr. Campbell moved to appoint Don Briselden as an alternate to the Conservation Commission. Mr. Pace seconds. VOTE: Unanimous.

5. Discussion/Action Items

- a. Accept Mosquito Control Funds- Mr. Dean noted that these funds will be 2007 revenue.

Mr. Pace moves to accept \$8,735 in Mosquito Control funds as unanticipated revenue. Mr. Campbell seconds. VOTE: Unanimous.

- b. Sign Deed: 55 Beech Hill Road Realty Trust. Mr. Dean asks that this issue be postponed. Town Counsel has reviewed this document and has some reservations. Don Clement of the Conservation Commission has similar concerns.

Mr. Campbell moves to table this discussion until these concerns can be addressed. Ms. Gilman seconds. VOTE: Unanimous.

- c. Resolution LGC Health Trust Plan Documents-

Mr. Pace moves to approve the resolutions and authorize the Town Manager to execute the documents as presented. Second by Mr. Ingram. VOTE: Unanimous.

- d. Amend Classification Plan: Water/Sewer Engineer-

Mr. Pace is concerned that there is a supervisory aspect to this position but the title does not reflect it. Mr. Ingram would like to see a written chain of command. Mr. Campbell is confused why there is less

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responsibility and the pay grade level has been elevated. Mr. Ingram is very impressed with Jennifer Perry and her accomplishments thus far and would like Ms. Perry to speak with the Board regarding this position before any decision is reached.

6. Public Hearings

a. First Reading: Front Street Parking Ordinance Amendment – At the last meeting, there was a request to amend parking in the Front Street area. The request was to change parking in front of the Historical Society to a 2 hour parking limit for the spaces from Spring Street to the crosswalk at the beginning of PEA grounds. Mr. Pace requests that there be specific measurements in the new ordinance instead of using landmarks. Jim Gilmore from Phillips Exeter Academy states that he has been monitoring parking on Front Street in the area of the Historical Society this past week and does not see a specific problem. He believes that this should be reviewed as an overall issue and not each individual complaint. Martha Pennell of the Historical Society agrees that this past week was not a busy time at the Historical Society, and she also believes that Elm Street also has parking problems that need to be addressed. The board agrees to ask Mr. Dean to reword the ordinance and schedule a time where the overall parking issues in the area can be reviewed by PEA and the Police Department.

7. Permits & Approvals

a) Abatements and Exemptions

Mr. Campbell moved to approve abatements and exemptions as presented. Mr. Ingram seconded. VOTE: Unanimous.

b) Permits

Mr. Pace moved to approve the presented permit with fee waiver. Mr. Campbell seconded. VOTE: Unanimous.

8. Reports

a) Town Manager's Report-

The Town Building Advisory Committee has mailed surveys to the residents and they should be in their mailboxes within a day or two. The deadline to return the surveys has been extended due to a delay at the printer, so please return them by February 19 if possible. Replays of the Town Meeting are being run on Channel 22. There have been some improvements to the website, and the Town Report is almost complete, with thanks to Carole Mitchell, who has gathered the information for the Town Report again this year.

b) Selectmen's Committee Reports

Ms. Gilman: The Town Building Advisory Committee will tour area Town facilities beginning soon. Zoning Ordinance Review Committee is looking at the growth of the area and the effects on zoning. The Heritage Commission will meet on Wednesday and the Historic District Commission will meet next Thursday.

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Mr. Ingram: The Rockingham Planning Committee is meeting tomorrow and the River Committee will meet on Thursday morning.

Mr. Pace: The Cable TV Committee met on January 30. Channel 22 is now a public access channel, so he encourages the public to submit material to be aired.

Mr. Campbell: The Conservation Commission will meet tomorrow in the Nowak Room and the Planning Board will meet on Thursday to discuss "The Boulders". Mr. Campbell also thought the distribution of the monthly reports from each department were very informative.

Mr. Eastman: Nothing to report.

9. Public Comment

Tim Heyl appeared to share his ideas for "Ten Points of PIW Foundation".

10. Non Public Session-

None.

11. Adjournment-

At 7:45 PM Mr. Campbell moved to adjourn; second by Mr. Pace. VOTE: Unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly Geis
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