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BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING

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June 16, 2008

1. Call Meeting to Order

Chairman Joe Pace convened the Board at 6:30 PM for the purpose of interviews. He then reconvened the board in the Nowak Room of the Town Office at 7:02 and introduced other members of the Board: Mr. Bob Eastman, Ms. Julie Gilman, Mr. Matt Quandt, and Town Manager, Russ Dean. Mr. Bill Campbell was not in attendance and was excused from the meeting.

2. Public Comment – none.

3. Minutes & Proclamations

- a. Minutes: June 2nd, 2008

Mr. Eastman moved to waive the reading of the June 2nd, 2008 minutes and except them as presented, Ms. Gilman seconded. VOTE: Unanimous.

4. Appointments

- a. CATV Advisory Committee
Joe McCarthy – term to expire 4/30/11

Ms. Gilman moved to accept the appointment of Joe McCarthy to the CATV Advisory Committee, Mr. Quandt seconded. VOTE: Unanimous.

- b. Energy Committee
Karen Prior

Ms. Gilman moved to accept the appointment of Karen Prior to the Energy Committee, Mr. Eastman seconded. VOTE: Unanimous.

5. Discussion / Action Items

- a. CDBG/CDFR Application – Felder/Kuehl Properties, LLC
Felder/Kuehl has been in the process of attempting to develop property on Epping Road adjacent to the new water tank. Bob Felder appeared before the Board to seek support for an application for tax incentives for low income housing. He is also seeking a CDBG grant for his project. He will be building 4 buildings, 4 stories high with under ground and above ground parking. Ms. Gilman applauded Mr. Felder for pursuing this project with affordable housing. Mr. Felder mentioned it is a way of giving back to the Town.

Ms. Gilman motioned to support the application of request with a signed letter from the Board, Mr. Quandt seconded. VOTE: Unanimous.

- b. Review of Article 36, 2008 Town Warrant (Transportation Program)
Article 38 of the 2008 Town Meeting approved a \$2.50 fee for elderly transportation. The fee will be included with the registration of any vehicle with the exemption of ATV's and antique vehicles. Donna Schlachman of the Exeter Regional Transportation Committee was in

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attendance to present what the fee is for and how it will work. The intent of the fee is to set aside money to improve the transportation for the elderly. The date for the new fee to start is tentatively set for July 1st. A new change will be a dispatch center for elderly transportation. Ms. Schlachman stated that it will be a lifeline for the local elderly. Mr. Pace thought that this is a good start but he would like to see what the mechanism is and would like to see a plan on where the money that is raised will be spent. Vern Sherman commented on the elderly population on Water Street and stated that TASC is a wonderful lifeline for them and they don't want to lose it. Mr. Sherman would like collection of the fee to start so the program can get going. Linda Hartson, Town Clerk spoke about the number and types of cars that the fee will apply to. This discussion item will be on the agenda and updated for June 30th.

c. Street Name Change Request – Sherwood Forest

The owner of Sherwood Forrest has proposed renaming the park “Exeter River Landing”. This naming has raised concerns with the E 9-1-1 review team as it is very similar to “Exeter River Coop”. The two concerns that the residents raised were the park name and the street names within the park. Mr. Dean stated that the Board has no authority over the name change and that it is a hard argument to make. Mr. Pace said that this could be an inconvenience to the residents but the Board has very little latitude. This is a “wait and see” item and Mr. Dean will keep the Board posted as to what will happen.

d. Bid Award: Sale of Deeded Property

A mobile home at 2 Lilac Street was deeded to the Town in 2007. The Town advertised for sealed bids and received two. Those bids were opened June 9, 2008.

Mr. Quandt motioned to accept the bid of 2 Lilac Street in the amount of \$13,000. Ms. Gilman seconded. VOTE: Unanimous.

e. 2009-2014 CIP Update

The CIP Subcommittee has begun reviewing the 2009-2014 CIP submittals. Mr. Dean gave the updated report. He said that there have been challenges at the subcommittee level with the number of submittals. They will be slating them individually. Mr. Eastman added that they are also working on a new writing system. The process is ongoing. The subcommittee will be meeting again on June 18th.

f. 2008 Dog Warrant

The Dog Warrant has been prepared by the Town Clerk's Office. Anyone who has not licensed their dog will receive a summons.

Ms. Gilman motioned to approve the 2008 Dog Warrant as presented, Mr. Quandt seconded. VOTE: Unanimous.

6. Public Hearings

a. Amend Fee Schedule – Bulky Waste Sticker Fee (Second Reading)

There was a second reading on the proposed fee change for bulky waste stickers. The Board recommended \$5.00 at the last Selectmen's meeting and the Department has concurred with this.

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Mr. Eastman motioned to approve the bulky sticker rate at \$5.00 to take effect on June 23rd, 2008, Ms. Gilman seconded. VOTE: Unanimous.

7. Permits & Approvals

- a. Abatements and Exemptions

Ms. Gilman moved to approve the abatement as presented, Mr. Eastman seconded. VOTE: Unanimous.

- b. Permits – none.

8. Reports

- a. Town Manager's Report

Russ Dean: Mr. Dean wanted to let the Board know that this is the first year that the graduation was broadcasted live on EXT V. He is proud of all the hard work that was put into this by everyone involved. Front Street paving has begun and the Portsmouth Ave paving is now complete. The paving of Epping Road will begin once school is out. Mr. Eastman asked Mr. Dean about the call to the Auditor for the 2006 audit and about Mr. Knights previous report on the Conservation Commission fund. Mr. Dean replied that the call went out to the Auditor but he is waiting for a call back and Mr. Knights report was followed up on and the Town Treasurer will be managing the accounts.

- b. Selectmen's Committee Reports

Matt Quant: The River Study met about watershed and dam renovations. The CATV meets Wednesday at 5:30.

Bob Eastman: nothing to report.

Julie Gilman: The Heritage Commission met last week about St. Michael's Parish. They determined that the site has a cultural and historical impact by the proposed work and there was a lot of information from the state on the Federal dredge and fill permit. The Energy Commission had a site visit at the Academy on the new energy sources. There will be an email out for the work session for meeting with the Building Committee.

Joe Pace: The Arts Committee meets this Tuesday night. The next Selectman meeting will be June 30th and there will be the agenda item about the dissolution of the W/S advisory.

- c. Correspondence – none.

9. Public Comment (Second) – none.

10. Non Public Session

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11. Adjournment

Ms. Gilman motioned to move into a non-public session adjourning the public part of the meeting at 8:40pm and began roll call, Mr. Quandt seconded. VOTE: Unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Aimee Caruso

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Recording Secretary