

# APPROVED MINUTES

BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING

MINUTES

March 10, 2008

The Board called the meeting to order at 6:45 in the Selectmen's Office and met with Jane Kiernan to interview her for a position on the Arts Committee.

## 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

None.

## 3. Minutes

*Mr. Campbell moved to waive the reading of the minutes of February 25, 2008 and accept the minutes as submitted; second by Mr. Pace. VOTE: Unanimous. Ms. Gilman abstained from the vote since she was not present for the meeting on February 25.*

## 4. Appointments

None.

## 5. Discussion/Action Items

- a. Chamber of Commerce Lease Renewal- Mr. Dean stated that this item has been postponed by the Chamber until March 24, 2008.
- b. Amend Classification Plan: Water/Sewer Engineer: Mr. Dean explained to the Board that the intent of this amendment to the classification plan is to change the focus of the position from that of a superintendent to a position that is geared toward engineering, design and project management duties. Underwood Engineering is currently managing the Town projects, and that would not be necessary if this position were amended. Mr. Pace is concerned that the title must reflect the supervisory nature of the job and that the word "review" should be replaced with "Supervise". Mr. Campbell would like to specifically indicate responsibility for the Water/Sewer in the job description, as opposed to advisory duties. Jennifer Perry, Public Works Director, appeared and agreed with the Board on the proposed changes. All agreed that "Water/Sewer Managing Engineer" is a good title, and that the job description will indicate that this position may assume duties of the Director as needed along with the other working suggestion. Ms. Perry, Mr. Dean, and the Board agreed to the suggested changes and agreed to post this position as soon as possible.

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- c. Review Board Openings- The Board reviewed the current Board and Committee openings. Mr. Campbell would like to see the Exeter Development Committee rejuvenated. The Board urged the residents to join a board or committee, since appointments will be made in April.

### 6. Public Hearings

- a. Third Reading: Front Street Parking Ordinance Amendment – Mr. Eastman asked for any comments from the public. There were none.

*Mr. Ingram moved to amend parking on Front Street to 2 hours in the areas indicated in areas presented. Mr. Pace seconded. VOTE: Unanimous.*

### 7. Permits & Approvals

#### a) Abatements and Exemptions

*Mr. Campbell moved to approve the abatements and exemptions presented in the packet as well as #P3050R. Mr. Ingram seconded. VOTE: Unanimous.*

#### b) Permits

None.

### 8. Reports

#### a) Town Manager's Report-

Tomorrow is Election Day in Exeter and the school ballots will be color coded and put into separate ballot boxes. In reference to Senator McCain's visit to Exeter on Wednesday, there is a permit for the bandstand but there will be no activities. Mr. Eastman requested confirmation that the McCain campaign will pay for any overtime that the Town incurs as a result of getting the Town Office ready for his visit so soon after the election. Mr. Dean confirmed that the McCain campaign will reimburse the Town. Mr. Dean thanked Selectman Ingram for his years of service to the Town of Exeter and the various Board and Committees that he has been involved with.

#### b) Selectmen's Committee Reports

Mr. Pace: The Arts Committee will begin a new show of Youth Arts this weekend and the Cable TV Advisory Committee continues to meet regarding the Fairpoint merger and will keep the Town informed of its progress.

Mr. Campbell: The Conservation Commission will meet tomorrow to review Main Street School parking issue. The Planning Board will meet to review lot line adjustments on Epping Road and a project on Linden Street.



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Ms. Gilman: The Town Building Advisory Committee is processing the surveys and will have recommendations for the Board of Selectmen on March 24. They also toured Town Offices in Derry, Londonderry, Portsmouth and Dover. The Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee reviewed the Master Plan, which includes a dog park and additional senior programs. New Parks and Rec brochures were mailed out recently and they include new classes and programs. The Zoning Ordinance Review Committee will meet this Thursday to discuss energy matters with the help of the Rockingham Planning Commission. The Heritage Commission will meet on Wednesday and the Historic District Commission will meet this Thursday to discuss new applications. Ms. Gilman wishes good luck to the Destination Imagination teams that will compete on Saturday at Sanborn High School.

Mr. Ingram: Mr. Ingram attended a Destination Imagination event in Tilton and was impressed with the teams. He reflected on his time with the Board of Selectmen. Mr. Ingram spoke of his positive impressions of the Town employees and volunteers and their commitment to the Exeter. This was Mr. Ingram's final meeting as a member of the Board. He thanked the community and his fellow Board members for supporting him in his previous terms.

Mr. Eastman: The Water/Sewer Advisory Board met with Underwood Engineering last Thursday and a report on the status of the water tower project which will resume shortly. The completion date of August 4 is still accurate. There have been about 100 water saving kits distributed by the Public Works Department so far, and there are plenty left for residents who are interested.

## 9. Public Comment

Dan Bilodeau, Firefighters Union President, wishes to thank Mr. Ingram for his service to the Town of Exeter and the Safety Committee in recent years.

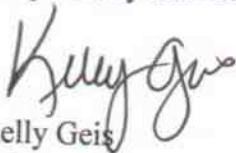
## 10. Non Public Session-

None.

## 11. Adjournment-

*At 7:41 PM Mr. Ingram moved to adjourn; second by Mr. Campbell. VOTE: Unanimous.*

Respectfully submitted,

  
Kelly Geis  
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## List for Selectmen's meeting March 10, 2008

### Property Abatements

<u>Map/Lot/Unit</u>	<u>Account</u>	<u>Amount</u>
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### Elderly Exemptions

<u>Map/Lot/Unit</u>	<u>Account</u>	<u>Amount</u>
95/64/360	b3775R	183,750
62/48	B0450R	236,250

### Disability Exemptions

<u>Map/Lot/Unit</u>	<u>Account</u>	<u>Amount</u>
104/79/706	i0025R	125,000

### Veteran's Credit

<u>Map/Lot/Unit</u>	<u>Account</u>	<u>Amount</u>
63/52	B7616R	500
74/61	S7244R	500
54/4/76	M5366R	500
98/11	O5711R	500
83/45	B6150R	500

### Lien Discharges

<u>Map/Lot/Unit</u>	<u>Account</u>	<u>Amount</u>
73/121	L0600R	2,764.88
95/64/178	b4305R	1,358.95
32/12/19	a3060R	1,807.39
95/64/155	b5855R	1,040.04
95/64/309	b7191R	731.97
87/14/17B	g6460R	756.92