

Town of Lincoln
Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes
November 7, 2011

Board of Selectmen Present:

Chairman Peter Moore and Selectman Patricia McTeague

Staff Present:

Town Manager Peter Joseph, Interim Admin Assistant Nancy Decoteau

Public Present:

Tammy Ham

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Peter Moore called the meeting to order at 5:40pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The Board reviewed the Minutes of November 1, 2011 and made one correction.

MOTION: "To approve the minutes of November 1, 2011 as amended".

Motion: Peter Moore Seconded: Patricia McTeague All in favor

OLD/NEW BUSINESS:

Tropical Storm Irene On-going Projects Update:

Peter Joseph updated the Board on the status of the various projects.

Peter Joseph stated that Loon Mt. Bridge is on schedule to open Wednesday, November 23rd.

Peter Joseph stated the Sewer Lagoon project will be put out to bid after the additional request from NH Wastewater Design Bureau has been satisfied.

Peter Joseph stated the Levee by Bunker Lane is not qualified to receive funding from FEMA.

Peter Moore stated the town should get an engineering study done and put the project on as a separate article at the annual town meeting.

Town Manager Report:

Peter Joseph stated the Police Department received a matching grant for the purchase of two electronic message signs (similar to the trailer sign/radar unit) for emergency messaging or traffic control.

Peter Joseph explained that the match will be funded out of the matching grants section of the Police Dept. budget, as well as a potential donation from Loon Mountain.

Peter Joseph stated Loon Mountain has indicated they would provide some support for this purchase as they are the biggest user in terms of traffic control.

Peter Joseph referred to a letter from property owner Tsan Hui Kuan requesting to rebuild a previously existing non-conforming structure that was destroyed by fire on November 16, 2010.

Peter Joseph explained that the Lincoln Land Use Plan Ordinance allows for a non-conforming structure destroyed by fire to be rebuilt "*within one year after the damage or destruction occurs unless an extension is allowed by the Board of Selectmen for good cause shown*".

Peter Joseph stated the one year period allowed expires next week and pointed out the property owner is requesting a one year extension.

After a brief discussion the Board agreed to visit the issue again at the next meeting with a full Board present.

Peter Joseph asked the Board to consider allowing the use one of the Town's 15-passenger vans to transport Lincoln Green residents to and from the free Thanksgiving meal offered by Elvio's Restaurant on Thursday, November 24, 2011.

Peter Joseph stated Carol Riley has volunteered to drive the van.

The Board agreed that the Town's van could be used.

Peter Joseph stated Harvard Pilgrim has announced plans to offer direct insurance plans to NH Municipalities through a health trust system which will offer identical plans to those formerly offered by Primex.

Peter Joseph explained the new trust which is in the legal process of being created, will be known as the NH Interlocal Trust and has promised quotes on renewal rates by November 15th.

Peter Joseph stated the Town will be soliciting bids for operations of the Sewer Treatment Facility from other utility providers as well as the current provider, United Water.

Peter Joseph updated the Board on the recent court filings regarding on-going litigation.

Budget Workshop Session FY2012:

Peter Joseph reviewed FY2012 proposed budgets from the following departments: Executive, Tax Collector/Town Clerk, Elections & Registration, Legal, Planning & Zoning, General Government/Buildings, Cemeteries, Emergency Management, Street Lighting, Solid Waste Disposal, Sewage Disposal, Water Treatment, Library, Patriotic Purposes, and Long Term Debt Requirements.

Review of RFQ / Loon Mountain Bridge

Peter Joseph stated the following firms submitted a response to the Request for Qualifications for the Loon Mountain Bridge project:

CMA Engineers, Inc.
H. E. Bergeron E engineers, Inc.
Hoyle, Tanner Associates, Inc.
Jones & Beach Engineering

The Board determined to review the information and revisit the issue at the next meeting.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None

The Board reviewed correspondence from the Town Clerk regarding the removal of two Elderly Exemptions which no longer meet the qualifications.

MOTION: "To approve removing the two names from the Elderly Exemption list as recommended by Town Clerk, Sue Whitman."

Motion: P. McTeague Seconded: P. Moore All in favor.

The Board reviewed the 2011 Equalization Municipal Assessment Data Sheets.

MOTION: "To sign the 2011 Equalization Municipal Assessment Data Sheets as presented."

Motion: P. Moore Seconded: P. McTeague All in favor.

At 7:47pm the following motion was made:

MOTION: "To adjourn."

Motion: P. Moore Seconded: P. McTeague All in favor.

Approval Date 11/14/11


Chairman Peter Moore


Selectman Patricia McTeague