LINCOLN BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 31, 2016
LINCOLN TOWN HALL - 148 MAIN STREET, LINCOLN, NH

APPROVED

Board of Selectmen Present: Chairman - O.J. Robinson, Selectmen - Jayne Ludwig and Tamra Ham.
Staff Present: Town Manager Burbank, and Recording Secretary Wendy Tanner.
Public Present: Cindy Rineer, Jim Welsh, Debbie Celino.

I. CALL TO ORDER at approximately 5:30 PM

Chairman Robinson called the meeting to order at 5:35 PM.

II. REVIEW AND APPROVAL- MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

- October 24, 2016

MOTION to approve the minutes of October 24, 2016 as amended.
Motion: Tamra Ham Second: Jayne Ludwig All in favor

III. WORKFORCE HOUSING – SELLING OF TOWN PROPERTY

As a follow up to the meeting on October 31, 2016 (with the Western White Mountain Chamber of Commerce, Alyssa Yolda, and representatives from AHEAD -Affordable Housing, Education and Development), the Board discussed [1]selling town land and [2]workforce housing in Lincoln.

The discussion included:

- Selling of town owned land
- Need for affordable housing
- Need for skilled labor
- Transient worker housing
- Maintaining skilled labor
- Word of mouth resources
- The survey done by UNH Cooperative Extension
- Qualifying incomes for the AHEAD program – minimum / maximum salaries

It was decided that there should be several meetings to inform the townspeople about two different subjects, selling town owned land and building workforce housing. The goal of the first meeting would be to inform the townspeople about these subjects and the second meeting would be to obtain feedback from residents.

A meeting will be announced at a future date. The first meeting will be scheduled in December (2016) and the second in January (2017).

Town Managers Report

Hanson Farm Road

The Hanson Farm Road project was officially awarded to Caulder Construction for $321,727.50.

Beechwood Road

Wednesday, November 2, 2016 the binder coat will be completed.

Street Lighting Issues

Pleasant Street streetlight has now been identified and will receive a new number and the light will be repaired or replaced as needed. Fire Chief Beard found 26 other streetlights in town that have issues and all have been identified and reported for repairs.

Livestock, Chickens, Roosters, etc.

The Town Hall has been receiving phone calls from potential and current residents asking the rules for owning livestock and more specifically chickens in Lincoln. Robinson would like this subject to be brought to the Planning Board.

IV. WATER METER DISCUSSION

The discussion began with numbers acquired by Town Manager Burbank.

- There are approximately 2300 meters in town
- The average cost of a water meter is $295.05
- Need to establish the average installation cost per meter
- The average lifespan of a meter is 5-7 years
- Approximately $500,000 to $600,000 to upgrade all of the older meters in town
- Software and reader cost $4,000 to $5,000
- It takes the town approximately 2 weeks to read all meters in town
- Only a group at a time will be done, how many per year?

The Board conversed about the importance of water conservation. After a long discussion about lead solder, old meters and replacement costs, the Board decided that selectively replacing or reading meters in town to start with the intention of doing all meters at some point. Town Manager Burbank will look into installation costs.

Water Level in the Dam

With the recent rain the water level in the dam has now risen to about 4 inches up the gate. The brook is wet again but levels are still not up to a comfortable point.

Levee

Town Manager Burbank is waiting for the permit from DES (Department of Environmental Services). The question of the Fairway's condominiums infringing upon the levee has come up during the permitting process.

Sale of Old Fire Truck

The old truck is being advertised on the web by an outside company that will receive a 5% commission of the sale price. This advertising will continue for a month or two to see if anyone is interested.

Plowing At Beechwood
Plowing at Beechwood I will not be bid out and will be done by the town. The Public Works Department has changed their current routes to include Beechwood I roads.

Pollard Road Sidewalk
The town engineer has been working with Kancamangus Motor Lodge to create a path past their parking lot. In other areas on Pollard Road negotiating easements is taking place.

Public Participation

Ice Castle
Cindy Rineer asked for an update on the Ice Castle. The Ice Castle will remain in Lincoln but the water will come from Woodstock with Lincoln as a backup only if necessary. Robinson stated that Woodstock Board of Selectmen and others in the Town of Woodstock were very helpful and receptive to solving this water problem and the Lincoln Board of Selectmen appreciated their prompt efforts.

There was a brief discussion about chlorine treated water from Lincoln versus well water from Woodstock. The Board discussed the possibility of Lincoln and Woodstock water systems connecting in the future for emergency purposes only. DES has strict guidelines regarding combining treated surface water with well water and there would be many barriers that would need to be overcome before the two towns could undertake such a large effort.

It was not the Boards intention to use town water for the Ice Castle if town water was being conserved because of drought conditions so Woodstock was contacted. The Ice Castle employs about 50 people both full and part time during the winter and brings a great deal of money into the area in tourist dollars. Both Lincoln and Woodstock would like to see the Ice Castle remain in the area and will work together to make that happen.

Water Meters
The efforts of installing and reading water meters are geared toward the waste of the water. Cindy Rineer asked if a grant was originally obtained to install water meters. Robinson said that it was a partial grant and a low interest rate on building the water treatment plant. Because of those two things, the town was required to install water meters as part of that project (c. 1991). The town may be eligible for grant money again but funding has not yet been researched.

Halloween
Thank you to the Friends of Rec. who purchased candy, and all the residents that donated candy for the trick or treating efforts.

Beards for Breast Cancer
Beards for Breast Cancer ends tomorrow, November 1. Every officer contributed $30. The web site for donations was very confusing and will be changed next year with a friendlier interface to encourage donating.

Plow Truck
Jim Welsh said that there is a plow truck for sale near Campton that the town may want to look at. Town Manager Burbank said that he will ask Public Works Director, Nate Hadaway to look into it.

V. NON PUBLIC SESSION *Pursuant to RSA 91-A: 3II (a,c,e,d)*

Motion to enter non-public session at 7:11 PM.
Motion: Tamra Ham Second: Jayne Ludwig All in favor.

Motion to come out of non-public session at 8:05 PM.
Motion: Tamra Ham Second: Jayne Ludwig All in favor.

Motion to sign settlement agreement related to the Paul Beaudin lawsuit.
Motion: Tamra Ham Second: Jayne Ludwig All in favor.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

After reviewing the weekly accounts payable and with no further business to attend to, the Board made the following motion.

MOTION: "To adjourn."
Motion: OJ Robinson Second: Tamra Ham All in favor.

The meeting adjourned at **8:15 PM**.

Respectfully Submitted,

Wendy Tanner

Approval Date 11 / 7 / 2016

Chairman O.J. Robinson Tamra Ham Jayne Ludwig