

LINCOLN BOARD OF SELECTMEN

APPROVED

MEETING MINUTES

JULY 25, 2016

LINCOLN TOWN HALL - 148 MAIN STREET, LINCOLN, NH

Board of Selectmen Present: Chairman O.J. Robinson and Selectman Tamra Ham.

Staff Present: Town Manager Burbank, Police Chief Smith, Fire Chief Beard and Recording Secretary Wendy Tanner.

Public Present: Paul Beaudin, Tammy Gionet Dutilly, Cindy Rineer, Ralph Lewis, Debbie Celino, Jim Welsh and David Beaudin.

I. CALL TO ORDER at approximately 5:30 PM

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM.

II. REVIEW AND APPROVAL- MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

- July 11, 2016

MOTION to approve the minutes of July 11, 2016 as amended.

Motion: OJ Robinson

Second: Tamra Ham

All in favor

III. LOON MOUNTAIN BRIDGE INTERSECTION *Discussion with Ralph Lewis*

Ralph Lewis explained that the old bridge had three lanes coming from US Route 112 onto the bridge and the new bridge was built with only 1 lane coming onto the bridge. Loon Mountain is concerned that there will be traffic issues causing dangerous situations. In 1988 the State of New Hampshire Department of Transportation (NHDOT) allowed three lanes from US Route 112 onto the bridge and it has worked very well.

Ralph Lewis asked the Select Board to petition the State of New Hampshire to widen the entrance onto the bridge from US Route 112.

Town Manager Burbank supports this request but did caution the Select Board that changes to the state standards may result in the NHDOT in absolving themselves of any liability for that intersection and the liability will then lie with the Town of Lincoln.

Town Manager Burbank suggested that the Select Board ask HEB Engineers, Inc. (HEB) to create a new design to the entrance of the bridge that would alleviate traffic and be acceptable by both Loon Mountain and the Town of Lincoln. Supporting letters could be included with that new design from the Town of Lincoln and Loon Mountain to help explain the issues that have developed in the past. Town Manager Burbank said that one point that should be made is, the NHDOT in 1988 made a determination that they needed a longer cue for the entrance to the bridge and that moving the new bridge further west shortened that cue by approximately 100 feet.

In the past there have been problems when vehicles slowing down entering the bridge and if there is traffic, it backs up beyond the cue lane and down US Route 112. Several times prior to 1988 the traffic has backed up to the hill by Pollard Brook and vehicles cresting the hill are faced with stopped traffic causing a dangerous situation and increasingly dangerous in icy winter conditions.

Chairman Robinson read an email from HEB engineer, Chris Fournier. (see attached)

Chairman Robinson thought that if this were a request for a non-standard design he would be hesitant, but there is a 28-30 year history of having the three lanes in that location with no problems.

Chairman Robinson and Town Manager Burbank agreed with the email from HEB engineer, Chris Fournier that an appeal to the NHDOT should be done with a new plan in hand.

Paul Beaudin felt that the entrance to the newly constructed Loon Bridge was not built “in kind” and explicitly stated that the engineers should be held responsible and should be fired.

Chairman Robinson said the new bridge has “micropile” technology which is more stable than past bridges. Town Manager Burbank felt that the bridge was an “in kind” bridge. Town Manager Burbank explained that the engineers designing this project have done an awesome job. Chairman Robinson added that the bridge was designed “in kind” and built to current State and FEMA Standards. Although the bridge has one entrance, the bridge itself will be striped with three lanes.

Chairman Robinson asked the Board if they were in favor of asking HEB to begin creating a reengineered plan, but that Loon Mountain should be involved with the redesign to ensure that all changes are acceptable to all involved. Selectman Ham agreed and Town Manager Burbank will follow up with HEB.

Selectman Ham read a letter from Rick Kelley into the minutes. (see attached)

It was noted that the amount of traffic that uses the bridge has more than tripled over the past 30 years.

IV. RIVERWALK PARK PLANNING COMMITTEE *Discussion*

This topic has been held over to the August 8, 2016 Board of Selectman's meeting.

V. TOWN PROPERTY SALE – COMMON MAN

The Select Board reviewed and signed the purchase and sales agreement.

Motion to accept the Purchase and Sale agreement as written.

Motion: OJ Robinson Second: Tamra Ham All in favor.

VI. OLD/NEW BUSINESS

□ Town Manager's Report

Airport Property Cleanup

All materials have been removed and the property will be mowed this week. DART may start using this area as a landing for emergency helicopters.

Banners

The 250th banners were examined and it was decided they were not reusable. They are for sale at \$20 each to Lincoln residents.

There will be approximately six new banners made to replace worn banners as needed.

Shrubs behind Lahout's

The shrubs behind Lahout's have been trimmed back. A stop line will also be painted at the exit from Lahout's onto School Street.

Application for Levee Reconstruction

The town is on time with meeting the deadlines that were set by DES and ready to go to get the permit to proceed.

Chenard Cleanup

There was a continuance granted on Mr. Chenard's court case. Attorney Malia and Planning Administrator Bont reviewed the property and there has been some headway cleaning up the property.

Loon Pond Dam

Friday they placed the steel in the dam and are proceeding.

Pollard Road Sidewalk

Town Manager Burbank submitted an application for a grant. There is a mandatory meeting that will be held in Lincoln for municipalities that have submitted grant applications.

Beechwood Road

The rebuilding of Beechwood Road is progressing. Water mains are installed around the loop. A second crew will start doing structures like culverts and sewer manholes. One major power line that was not marked was accidentally ripped out but it has been repaired and the transformers have been replaced.

□ Selectmen's Report**Community Fest**

Selectman Ham thought that the event was "great". Town Manager Burbank mentioned that the lightening on the golf course was a challenge. Because of the rain the movie was shown inside. There was an ice cream festival, music and a pancake breakfast. Instead of softball, kickball was the game of choice and was well received with players of all ages.

Selectman Ham gave kudos to Recreation Director Tara Tower and added that the Lincoln and Woodstock communities are very lucky to have such a talented recreation director.

Chain Saw Issue

Chief Smith believes that the saw issues have been resolved. The saw owners did come in and received an application, but have not returned the completed application.

Village Of Loon

Chairman Robinson asked if the old numbers have been removed from the buildings at the Village. Chief Smith was not sure but would follow up. Town Manager Burbank explained that there are several sub-associations at the Village with multiple managers and that Miles Gifford, one of the managers, came into the Town Hall to introduce himself. They would like to continue to use their non 911 numbers, but would not put them in a prominent area but would post the actual 911 numbers where they could be seen from the road.

□ Public Participation

Paul Beaudin said that he is still waiting for Ray Korber to contact him regarding his property on Hanson Farm Road. Town Manager Burbank will follow-up with engineer Korber.

Tammy Gionet Dutilly asked if banners were being sold. Town Manager Burbank said that they were and had sold 2 or 3 to date.

Tammy Gionet Dutilly asked if it was definite that DART would be using the old airport for landing. Tammy was concerned because she and others in the area walk their dogs in that field and wondered if they could continue to use the field. Fire Chief Beard said that his crew would arrive to the field before the DART helicopter and be sure the field was clear for landing.

Tammy Gionet Dutilly asked if the old airport field would also be used as a parking lot during the Highland Games at Loon Mountain. The consensus was yes, it would.

Turning Busses at Loon

Paul Beaudin said that turning the busses around in the picnic area may affect traffic and use precious space. Chief Smith said that they will have two officers directing traffic simultaneously to meet the needs of turning busses around. Chief Smith will be meeting with Loon Mountain within the next couple of weeks to discuss parking and traffic management during events.

Wood Boxes

Jim Welsh stated that someone has been taking wood from his wood box where he sells wood. Mr. Welsh was wondering if the Western White Mountain Chamber of Commerce (WWMCC) could put into their advertising that the wood that is for sale around town is for the convenience of vacationers and is not free for the taking. Selectman Ham would encourage Mr. Welsh to talk to Alyssa Yolda of the WWMCC about his wood issues. A brief discussion ensued about wood sales and the honor system.

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

VIII. 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: O.J. Robinson

Second: Tamra Ham

All in favor.

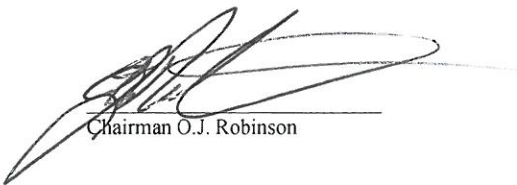
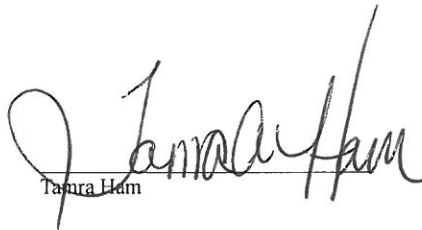
The meeting adjourned at 6:19 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Wendy Tanner



Approval Date 8 / 29 / 16


Chairman O.J. Robinson
Tamra Ham

Jayne Ludwig