

LINCOLN BOARD OF SELECTMEN

APPROVED

MEETING MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 23, 2019 – 5:30PM

LINCOLN TOWN HALL - 148 MAIN STREET, LINCOLN, NH

(MEETING VIDEO AVAILABLE AT WWW.LINCOLNNH.ORG)

Board of Selectmen Present: Chairman OJ Robinson and Tamra Ham,

Excused: Selectman Jayne Ludwig

Woodstock Board of Selectmen: Gil Rand and Joel Bourassa

Excused: Selectman Scott Rice

Staff Present: Town Manager Burbank, DPW Director Hadaway Solid Waste Supervisor, Jim Conn, and Administrative Assistant, Jane Leslie

Public Present: Debbie Celino, Jim Welsh, Tanya Patterson, Dave Beaudin, and Roger Harrington

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Robinson called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

II. JOINT DISCUSSION WITH WOODSTOCK BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Transfer Station Scale Fees

Chairman Robinson opened up the meeting and explained that this joint discussion is being held to review the upcoming changes to the Solid Waste Fee Schedule once the new scale is up and running. DPW Director Hadaway and Solid Waste Supervisor Jim Conn recommend the cost should be \$0.05 per pound (Waste Management charges \$100 per ton). Since the scale measures in 20lb increments, the minimum fee should be set at \$10 (for anything under 100 lbs.). Mattresses and box springs/couches/sofas, and chairs will be removed from the flat fee schedule and weighed and billed accordingly. Stoves, dishwashers, washing machines, water heaters, and other appliances will remain the same (\$10 fee). Refrigerators, air conditioners, ice machines (\$20 fee), and fluorescent bulbs will remain the same (\$0.50 and \$0.75). TV's and computers will continue to be weighed at \$0.18lb and carpet will now be weighed. Sheetrock and asphalt shingles along with construction debris will also be weighed. At this point in time, both Boards agreed to continue a "no charge" policy for tree limbs and brush, however, Supervisor Conn commented that the town currently pays \$6300 to have the brush ground and chipped (once per year), and he has researched what surrounding towns charge and feels that the Solid Waste Facility should do the same. Selectman Rand suggested implementing the fees discussed this evening and table the tree limbs and brush discussion for a later date (possibly in the spring). A brief discussion ensued concerning the pros and cons of burning brush as well as charging for brush disposal. The Board agreed that the new rates will go into effect once the scale is 100% operational (certifications, read out, and inspection complete) and will allow residents to pay by either check or credit card (cash will no longer be accepted). Both Lincoln and Woodstock will provide hand-outs to the residents informing them of the upcoming changes as well as advertise on social media and public postings.

MOTION: "To go with a fee of \$0.05 per pound, with a ten-dollar (\$10) minimum on all construction debris; sheetrock & asphalt shingles, mattresses, box springs, carpet, chairs, and sofas."

Motion: OJ Robinson

Second: Tamra Ham

Unanimous Motion.

Selectmen Gil Rand, Joel Bourassa and Supervisor Jim Conn departed the meeting at 6:00 pm

III. REVIEW AND APPROVAL- MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

MOTION: “To approve the meeting minutes of September 16, 2019 as presented.”

Motion: OJ Robinson

Second: Tamra Ham

Motion carries.

MOTION: “To approve the Non-public meeting minutes of September 16, 2019 as presented.”

Motion: Tamra Ham

Second: OJ Robinson

Motion carries.

IV. OLD/NEW BUSINESS

Town Managers Report

Riverfront Park

Town Manager Burbank explained that Town Engineer Ray Korber is preparing a request for bids on the Phase I aspect of the Riverfront Park Project and will be advertised shortly (possibly this week).

Pollard Road Car Counter

Town Manager Burbank determined that the car counter box on the telephone pole across the street from Roger Harrington’s home belongs to the Lincoln Police Department. It is several years old and Chief Morris is going to evaluate what type of data the unit has retrieved (or is currently retrieving).

Mansion Hill Wells

Capital Wells has tested all of the wells on Mansion Hill and the town is currently awaiting a report.

Boyce Brook Well

Town Manager Burbank has made contact with the US Forest Service regarding the Boyce Brook well and reservoir. Burbank is working on scheduling a meeting with the US Forest Service Supervisor to see if the 1.2 acres of land that the town has a perpetual license agreement on can be converted to another area of land where a water storage tank be built.

Levee Update

Work is progressing very well at the levee. Eleven (11) rock anchors were installed and one (1) has failed the strength test and is scheduled to be replaced. The grouting of the granite blocks is complete with the exception of the access road. Substantial completion is slated for October.

Town Street Paving

DPW Director Hadaway has received a quote from GMI Paving and he is waiting to hear back as to whether or not they will have time to do the paving work this year.

Other Business

Northern New England Telephone LLC vs. The Town of Lincoln

The town was served a civil summons this week concerning the assessment of the poles and lines within the town’s right-of-way, and goes beyond just the assessment, but the idea that the town is even allowed to tax these utilities in the first place.

Air B&B Complaint

Chairman Robinson read the following email that the town received concerning overflow parking as a result of short-term rentals up on Queens Way (Beechwood II):

Dear Town of Lincoln Officials,

My name is Jerry Katz. Our family resides at 26 Queens Way on Loon Mountain. Recently two neighboring homes at 16 Queens Way and 175 Black Mountain Rd. have been turned into short term rental houses. They join 176 Black Mountain Rd., which is being used as a short-term rental as well.

The amount of renters at each of these addresses has directly impacted us in terms of noise and especially parking on the street. This past weekend there were so many cars at 175 Black Mountain Rd., over a dozen, that a number parked on Queens Way. Had an emergency occurred, access to our home would have been seriously compromised. Of greater concern is the upcoming ski season. Plowing the streets with cars parked on them will be difficult. Not sliding into a parked vehicle from our home is almost impossible.

It is clear that this situation must be acknowledged and a town wide solution must be found. A road with compromised access could be deadly in an emergency.

Sincerely,

Jerry Katz

Chairman Robinson explained that during a recent Selectmen's meeting there was a brief discussion concerning short-term rentals which included public input as well as residential concerns on how this type of business affects the town and neighboring abutters. Robinson proposed that the Select Board consider the following: (1) Selectmen can regulate rules and restrictions regarding short-term rentals (safety, parking, etc.) and, (2) only the Planning Board can determine and regulate usage and which zones short term rental businesses can be permitted. Robinson noted that it is important for the Selectmen to adhere to the issues that they have jurisdiction over and not deal with the Planning Board aspects of it. Robinson explained that he would take the initiative and draft up a discussion starter document in preparation for the next short-term rental discussion.

Selectman Ham noted that Town Manager Burbank did respond to Mr. Katz's email to discuss his concerns, and reiterated that in the event of an emergency, he and any concerned resident should always reach out to the Lincoln Police or Fire Department (particularly if they have concerns over a life safety issue). Ham suggested the *policy on short-term rentals* be put on the agenda for the first Monday in October (October 7th) and Chairman Robinson will circulate a draft document to the board in preparation for the meeting.

Public Participation

Loon Winter Shuttle Bus Route

Resident Tanya Patterson of 33 Maple Street asked if Loon Mountain Recreation Corp. presents their shuttle bus routes to the town, or any particular board in advance of the winter ski season, or if they just run their shuttle buses on their own accord. Chairman Robinson responded that Loon runs their bus routes on the town's public roads and are not required to seek approval from the town. Ms. Patterson explained that her bedroom window is approximately 15 feet from the road, and the buses drive by her home in the early morning hours (around 5:30 am) to pick up employees and the loud shifting of the bus brakes creates an annoying sound that she has to listen to for up to 3-4 times an hour. Patterson was wondering if there was anything the town could do. Patterson also questioned if the town has ever conducted traffic studies on the roads in the Village Center (VC) because she has noticed an increase in traffic over the years exiting from the Aubuchon parking lot (Lincoln Square Mall Shopping Center) and turning right onto Maple Street at high rates of speed. Patterson asked if signage, speed bumps, or radar

could be utilized to track just how much traffic cuts through Maple Street and how fast the vehicles drive. Town Manager Burbank said he would discuss this matter with Chief Morris to see if there is any way to track and monitor this traffic.

Debbie Celino commented that she is having an issue with vehicles turning around in her driveway because she lives on a dead-end road, and asked if there is anything she could do (or the town) to encourage drivers to use the turn-around across the street from her home rather than her driveway. Celino noted she had purchased orange cones a few years ago in an attempt to deter vehicles from using her driveway as a turnaround (there is also a sign that states "dead end road") but nothing seems to work. DPW Director Hadaway said he will look into signage for the roadway and visit with Ms. Celino to discuss further.

V. NONPUBLIC SESSION *Pursuant to RSA 91-A: 3: II Personnel, Real Estate*

MOTION: "To go into a Non-Public Session pursuant to RSA 91-A: 3II (a,c) Real Estate Issue, Personnel Issue

Motion: OJ Robinson

Second: Tamra Ham

Motion carries.

The Board went into non-public session at 6:30 pm.

MOTION: "To re-enter public session."

Motion: OJ Robinson

Second: Tamra Ham

Motion Carries.

The Board came back into public session at 6:40 p.m.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

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

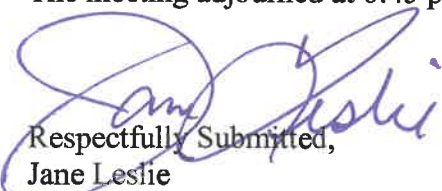
MOTION: "To adjourn."

Motion: OJ Robinson

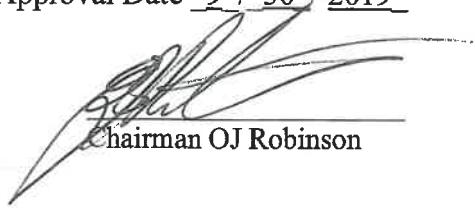
Second: Tamra Ham

Motion Carries.

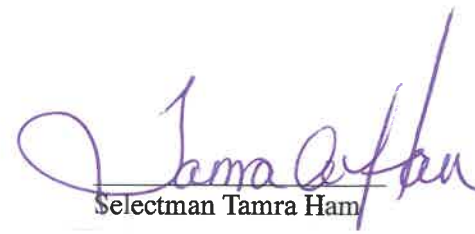
The meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.


Respectfully Submitted,
Jane Leslie

Approval Date 9 / 30 / 2019


Chairman OJ Robinson

Joel Bourassa-Woodstock BOS


Selectman Tamra Ham

Gil Rand-Woodstock BOS

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Debbie Celino
(Print Name)

Jim Welsh

Roger Harrington

Tanya Patterson

Debbie Celino
(Sign Name)

Jim Welsh

Roger Harrington

Tanya Patterson

Town Hall

From: Jerry <aborntv@comcast.net>
Sent: Thursday, September 19, 2019 2:30 PM
To: O.J. Robinson
Cc: Town Manager; Tamra Ham; Town Hall
Subject: Emergency situation

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