

Lincoln Board of Selectmen – Meeting Minutes
May 11, 2009 – 5:00 pm

Present: Selectman Patricia McTeague, Selectman Deanna Huot and Town Manager Peter Joseph
Audience: Charlie Cook

The meeting was called to order at 5:00PM.

ROUTINE BUSINESS

Approval of the Public Meeting Minutes of May 04, 2009

The Board members reviewed the draft minutes.

MOTION: Patricia McTeague motioned to accept the minutes as submitted. The motion was seconded by Deanna Huot

VOTE: Unanimous to accept the minutes as submitted.

Review of Tax Collector's report of 2008 tax lien

The Board members reviewed the list of properties that were lienied the previous week. Peter Joseph explained that the total amount lienied was approximately \$340,000. The list was 35 pages long, and represents all outstanding property taxes that had not been paid for the 2008 tax year.

Review of Tax Collector's impending tax deed

The Town Manager presented the Board with a list of properties scheduled to be deeded to the Town by the Tax Collector if the taxes outstanding on the properties are not paid before May 20, 2009. There were seventeen properties scheduled for deeding at this time, representing approximately \$11,000 in back taxes owed to the Town. Peter Joseph explained that the Board would need to vote to sign a waiver of tax deed before the 20th in order to keep the properties from being deeded by the Tax Collector. This could be done at next Monday's meeting, when there is a full Board present.

Town Manager's Weekly Report

Peter Joseph gave a brief update on the progress of the Bog Brook / Maltais Roads engineering project. The project was on schedule.

FCI / Burndy had submitted a renewal request for their Industrial Discharge Permit. Peter Joseph and Bill Willey were planning to meet with the Town's NPDES/Sewer Consultant Ray Korber to discuss the renewal and would have more information for the Board at an upcoming meeting.

Peter Joseph reviewed year-to-date expenses. One particular area of concern was the welfare budget, which was already 55% expended. At this point in the year the number should be less than 40% expended. This was due to the current economic situation and an

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increased unemployment rate. The Town would continue to monitor this line item. Other than this, there were no other line items that appeared to be problems at this date.

OTHER BUSINESS

The School District Legislative Breakfast was discussed. Deanna Huot asked to be added to the confirmed attendees list as she was not present when the original invitations went out.

Patricia McTeague will be attending the Municipal Official's program put on by LGC, which will be held at the Mountain Club at Loon this coming week.

Patricia McTeague inquired about progress on the Beechwood I infrastructure review that Steve LaFrance was conducting. Peter Joseph explained that Steve had completed a base map and is currently locating existing underground utilities with the help of the Public Works Director and others.

Deanna Huot asked about the condition of the municipal field at the high school, which had been brought to her attention. Peter Joseph explained that the field was not doing well, due to several factors. Bill Willey and Tara Tower were planning on renting equipment to “thatch” the field in order to remove some of the matted-in dead grass. There would most likely be an additional lime treatment applied with the regularly scheduled fertilizer treatment over the next few weeks. They planned to re-evaluate the maintenance program this fall, as any re-seeding would have to be done when the field was not being used.

Deanna Huot inquired about the upcoming Zoning Board hearing, which would be held on Wednesday the 20th. Peter Joseph explained that Iain Grant was seeking a special exception from the Zoning Board in order to operate a helicopter tour attraction at the Hobo Railroad property owned by the Clarks. There was a brief discussion regarding this proposal. Peter explained that the meeting would begin at 5PM and would then move to the site behind the Hobo Hills golf course. The applicants were planning to land and take off from the site in one of the helicopters that would be used for the tours. This would allow the Board members to witness first hand any impact that this activity may have on the site and the neighboring properties.

At 6:15PM the meeting was adjourned and the Board of Selectmen reviewed payroll and accounts payable check registers for the week ending May 10, 2009.

Respectfully submitted,
Peter Joseph, Town Manager

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Date: _____

Approved by:

(NOT PRESENT)

Chairman Peter Moore

Selectman Deanna Huot

Selectman Patricia McTeague