

## Lincoln Board of Selectmen – Meeting Minutes

June 15, 2009 – 5:00 pm

Present: Chairman Peter Moore, Selectman Patricia McTeague, Selectman Deanna Huot, Town Manager Peter Joseph and Administrative Assistant Susan Chenard

Audience: Charlie Cook

Chairman Moore first opened a special meeting, subject to RSA 31:95-b to accept a joint donation for the Kanc Rec. Ski Town Hut, at 5:10pm. Town Manager Joseph noted that as newspaper notification had not been the completed seven days prior to tonight's meeting, the meeting should be continued. After some discussion, it was decided to repost the meeting and schedule it for July 6, 2009. The special meeting adjourned at 5:14pm.

Chairman Moore opened the Board of Selectmen's meeting at 5:15 pm.

### **Routine Business**

- **Approval of the Public Meeting Minutes of June 8, 2009** - A **motion** was made by Selectman McTeague, seconded by Chairman Moore, to approve the public meeting minutes of June 8, 2009, as written. Selectman Huot abstained as she was not present at that meeting. The vote was in the affirmative.
- **Discussion of the Purchasing Policy Final Draft** – The Selectmen reviewed the proposed purchasing policy, corrected some typos and noted that any exceptions would need to be approved by the Board of Selectmen. A **motion** was made by Selectman McTeague, seconded by Selectman Huot, to approve the Purchasing Policy, as amended, to become effective August 1, 2009. The vote was unanimous, and the Selectmen will sign the final copy at the next meeting.
- **Continued discussion regarding Lincoln Green** – Town Manager Joseph led a brainstorming session on what options we have for subsidized elderly and disabled housing, if the current owners of Lincoln Green change their practices after 2012. Those owners have not let us know their intentions, and AHEAD did not have a lot of direction for us. Thoughts included looking at resources, attracting outside entities, finding a private developer to build a new property, encouraging mixed-use development, contacting Edmond Gionet for details of the original agreement with Lincoln Green, and contacting Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for suggestions on options of which we may not be aware.
- **Town Manager's Report**
  1. The sewer flow monitoring is complete and has been submitted by our consultant. The Town Manager and Public Works Director will review the information this week.
  2. The Beechwood I Road and Utility evaluation has been completed. The total project cost is \$1.070 million, with roadway work accounting for \$600,000 of this and about \$400,000 is for the water lines. Other utilizes like electric, phone and cable would be separate and significant. The New Hampshire Electric Cooperative (NHEC) wouldn't mark the lines unless imminent work is to be done. The sewer lines seem to be fine where they are, but Chairman Moore felt they should be TV'd. Town Manager Joseph assured him that would be the next step. The roadway portion of the quote would be the Town's portion of the project, but no-one seems willing to take on the

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other utilities. We will also need to remember that the road will need to be engineered as well.

3. The FCI Industrial Discharge Permit renewal is still a work in progress. The Town Manager will meet with consultant Ray Korber on Tuesday to review the project and will meet with FCI following this meeting. He will continue to update the Board as progress is made. The current permit expires on June 30, 2009.
4. The Lincoln Selectmen have been invited to join the Woodstock Selectmen at their meeting tomorrow (June 16, 2009) by the NH Department of Transportation as they explain their proposed work on Route 93. This will include the paving from Thornton to just north of exit 32. There was some discussion about the road surface between exits 29 and 30, as it seems more accidents than usual have occurred in that area. Chairman Moore would like to know the timeline. The Town Manager will attend the Woodstock meeting and ask these questions.
5. Upcoming events:
  - Legion convention – Selectman Huot will give a welcome speech at the Beacon at 9:45 am on June 26, 2009.
  - Papermill Theater Potluck is on June 22<sup>nd</sup> at 5:30pm at the Penguin Ski Club
  - Ray Burton's local tour will stop on July 9<sup>th</sup> at 1pm at the InnSeasons Village Shops. Discussion will include economic development via InnSeason, the Bike Path, and the Papermill revitalization.
  - The Town Manager will be away at a NH Municipal Manager's Association meeting from late Wednesday through Friday. The association has also provided Town Manager Joseph with a scholarship worth about \$1,000 to the International City Manager's Association meeting in Montreal early this fall. Four other managers from around the state were also awarded this scholarship.
  - The Chiefs of Police Conference will be on June 23<sup>rd</sup> in Dixville Notch. Deanna Huot, Patricia McTeague and Peter Joseph will attend Chief Smith's banquet dinner celebrating the completion of his one year term as President of the Chiefs Association.

### **Other Business**

- Chairman Moore asked if we had received approval from DES yet for the Village Core bike path project. The Town Manager replied that although Jay Aube at DES had said the project was approvable and he planned to write it up, he then responded with another request for more information. Town Manager Joseph will try to contact him again this week. Mr. Aube did confirm he had received the information. Chairman Moore wondered what would happen if we receive the approval after the grant term runs out, but the Town Manager has discussed this possibility with both Mr. Aube and Mr. Gegas of the Trails Bureau (who provided the reimbursable grant).
- Chairman Moore asked how the Forest Service meeting about the removal of the suspension bridge went last Friday night. We will contact them to see.

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- Selectman Huot said she was excited about the electric savings possibilities. Town Manager Joseph said we are working out the details of the contract with Glacial, as they use EFT for bill paying. He will discuss this with Treasurer Pauline Paste on Wednesday. Tradition had a new quote at 9.0 cents per kilowatt, which was still higher than Glacial's 8.4 cents.
- Town Manager Joseph spoke with Marty Robbins of US Locator Service this morning. Mr. Robbins' company helps people find missing and lost money and abandoned property. He is offering to find/recover lost property for Lincoln and Woodstock current residents for free, but is unable to search the New Hampshire database for Lincoln/Woodstock addresses as a corporation. He had asked if the Town could ask for him as a public service project. Mr. Robbins spoke with Town Manager Sutton about this a few years ago, but he has been out of the area for some time and is now back, living in Lincoln full-time. The Selectmen felt it was a good idea. Charlie Cook felt it might possibly provide Mr. Robbins with an unfair advantage over his competitors, as the company would charge people who did not live in the Lincoln area anymore. The Selectmen felt the benefits to the public were potentially significant.
- Administrative Assistant Chenard noted that we had received confirmation from American Thunder that the fireworks were scheduled for the evening of the 4<sup>th</sup> of July, with a rain date of July 5<sup>th</sup>, the following day.
- Chairman Moore noted that he would be unavailable for the next two meetings, returning in time for the July 6<sup>th</sup> meeting.

### **Public Participation**

Charlie Cook felt that the Beechwood owners want us to fix the road, but it is hard to get them to commit to fixing the other utilities. Selectman McTeague said that it is crystal clear that they need to take that responsibility. Mr. Cook responded that if it takes the Beechwood owners a few years to get together funds for their portion of the project, we should try to fund a capital reserve account over that time, rather than take out a bond.

At 6:45 pm, the audience left, and a **motion** was made by Selectman McTeague, seconded by Selectman Huot, to enter into **non-public session** per RSA 91-A:3 II(a). The vote was unanimous. The Board discussed a potential disciplinary issue. No action was taken. The Board then performed the Town Manager's annual employee review. At 8:37 pm, a **motion** was made by Selectman McTeague, seconded by Selectman Huot, to reconvene the public session. The vote was unanimous.

At 8:38 pm, the meeting was adjourned and the Board of Selectmen reviewed payroll and accounts payable check registers for the week ending June 14, 2009.

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Approved by:

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Chairman Peter Moore

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Selectman Deanna Huot

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Selectman Patricia McTeague