

**Town of Lincoln  
Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes  
October 24, 2011**

**Lincoln Board of Selectmen Present:**

Chairman Peter Moore, Selectman Patricia McTeague and Selectman O. J. Robinson (left at 6:40)

**Woodstock: Board of Selectmen Present::**

Chairman Joel Bourassa, Selectman Gill Rand and Selectman Jim Fadden

**Staff Present:**

Town Manager Peter Joseph and Planning and Zoning Administrator Matt Henry

**Public Present:**

Paul Beaudin, Tamra Ham, Patrick Griffin, Chester Kahn and Mary Conn

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Chairman Peter Moore called the meeting to order at 5:30pm.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**MOTION: "To approve the minutes of October 17, 2011 as presented".**

Motion: P. McTeague      Seconded: O.J. Robinson      All in favor.

**OLD/NEW BUSINESS:**

*Meeting with Woodstock Board of Selectmen:*

Peter Moore explained the reason for the joint meeting was to discuss the possibility of sharing services between the Lincoln and Woodstock Fire Departments, particularly the expensive equipment.

Peter Joseph noted that the cost of replacing a big piece of equipment every 20 years adds up over 100 years. There are other services that are shared between the two towns.

O.J. Robinson suggested hiring a consultant so that a subject matter expert could objectively look at the issue.

Additional discussion followed regarding the process both towns would undergo if shared fire services is something both towns agree to pursue.

Peter Joseph stated it is simply an executive decision to hire a consultant to look into the issue, but a town meeting vote by each community would have to occur if it is to be implemented.

The Woodstock Selectmen stated they would be willing to explore the possibility if a consultant could be found to do it for a reasonable price.

Peter Moore mentioned that a grant may be available for that purpose.

Peter Joseph stated that there may be liability issues if employees from other towns were to operate equipment.

*Request from a new group for seasonal rental of Kanc Rec Ski Area:*

Peter Joseph explained that the group withdrew their request.

*Tropical Storm Irene On-going Projects Update:*

Peter Joseph explained that the FEMA representative was in Lincoln on Wednesday, October 19<sup>th</sup>.

Three major projects and four minor projects were inspected and pertinent information was logged.

Selectman P. McTeague asked for an update on the Loon Mountain Bridge repairs.

Peter Joseph stated that the crew is working on the sewer line.

There was discussion regarding how costs will be shared between different governmental entities. Peter Joseph explained that FEMA will cover 75% of the costs, the State will cover 20% of the remaining cost not covered by FEMA under the State Bridge Replacement Program and the Town of Lincoln will be responsible for the last 5%. He explained that if they wished to add mitigation, it may cover a portion of the town's share.

There was discussion regarding the repair of the retaining wall.

Peter Moore said that he discussed the matter with Rex Caulder regarding whether it would be worth removing the blocks from the levee.

Peter Joseph suggested that the town solicit proposals for options to repair the levee and make their decision based on qualifications as well as price. Peter Joseph stated that a sealed bid process should be used.

OJ Robinson asked about a time-line for the sewer lagoons.

Peter Joseph stated that it is in FEMA and DES's hands.

Peter Joseph indicated that DES review typically takes about 30 days provided they do not request an additional survey.

Paul Beaudin expressed concern regarding the poor condition that Loon Mountain Road is in and pointed out that a snow plow will tear up the asphalt.

Peter Joseph explained that the plan is to repair the road so it is in a serviceable condition and agreed to follow up to see what plan Loon Mountain has to address the patch issue.

At 6:40pm Selectman O. J. Robinson excused himself from the meeting as he had another commitment.

*Town Manager's Report:*

Peter Joseph updated the Board of Selectmen on the following issues:

Grafton County will no longer be considering transferring dispatch services from a partially user funded model to a tax funded model.

The Town's website hosting company, Jadeview LLC, was sold to Notchview. Notchview will continue to honor Jadeview pricing.

New CPI figures were released. It looks like the CPI is around 3.1% last year.

Current use application from Peter Spanos for the Board to review.

**MOTION: "To approve a current use application submitted by Peter Spanos for Tax Map 103 Lot 006".**

Motion: P. McTeague

Seconded: Peter Moore

Motion carries 2-0.

**MOTION: "To approve the minutes of October 19, 2011 as presented".**

Motion: P. McTeague

Seconded: Peter Moore

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There was some discussion regarding how the revaluation meetings were going. Peter Joseph stated that Vision Government Solutions is doing a good job at explaining the revaluation to the public. Paul Beaudin asked what the tax rate impact will be. Peter Joseph explained that there will be an inverse impact from the revaluation. For example: If the revaluation was decreased by 11% the tax rate should increase 11% if the budget stays the same.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

None.

At 7:05pm the following motion was made:

**MOTION: "To adjourn."**

Motion: Peter Moore

Seconded: P. McTeague

Motion carries 2-0

Approval Date 11/17/2011



Chairman Peter Moore



Selectman Patricia McTeague

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Selectman O. J. Robinson