

**LINCOLN BOARD OF SELECTMEN**  
**MEETING MINUTES**  
**JANUARY 6, 2014 – 5:30PM**  
**LINCOLN TOWN HALL - 148 MAIN STREET, LINCOLN NH**

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**Board of Selectmen Present:** O.J. Robinson, Patricia McTeague and Tamra Ham.

**Staff Present:** Town Manager Alfred Burbank

**Public Present:** Paul Beaudin and David Beaudin at 5:42 pm. Pat Romprey at 5:51 p.m.

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

O.J. Robinson called the meeting to order at 5:30pm.

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**II. REVIEW AND APPROVAL- MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

**MOTION:** "To approve the meeting minutes of December 30, 2013 as amended."

**Motion:** Patricia McTeague      **Second:** Tamra Ham      **Motion carries.**

Amendment was to include on the last page, under 29 School Street the wording "Fire damaged building"

**MOTION:** "To approve the Non-Public meeting minutes of December 30, 2013."

**Motion:** Tamra Ham      **Second:** Patricia McTeague      **Motion carries.**

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**III. OLD/NEW BUSINESS**

**Signed Private Alarm Ordinance**

The Board signed the revised Private Alarm Ordinance.

**Public Participation – Review of Mr. Bill Conn's E-mail Requests**

At the request of Mr. Bill Conn, O.J. Robinson read the following e-mail into the meeting minutes:

*I'd like to know how many sewer spills there has been at the Connector Road sewer pump station since 1980?*

*I'd also like to request that this be read into the minutes of the BOS meeting for tonight 1/6/14.*

*Bill Conn*

O.J. Robinson responded to Mr. Conn's inquiries as follows:

*"Town Manager Burbank will investigate and respond when time allows".*

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## **Concerns Regarding Future Operation of the Water Plant**

Paul Beaudin stated that he and his wife read the December 9, 2013 Board of Selectmen's meeting minutes and wanted to express their concern as taxpayers for having an out-of-town water plant operator versus an in-town operator. Mr. Beaudin stated he is more comfortable with a Lincoln resident who drinks the same water that he drinks managing the facility.

O.J. Robinson responded to Mr. Beaudin by sharing his sentiments and stated that this subject came up when the Board was recently made aware that Bill Willey would be retiring in the next few years, and thus the Town needs to start making arrangements to seamlessly manage town services. The plant cannot be run by one person 24 hours/day 365 days/year. Thus the Town either needs to hire or train another licensed operator or contract out some of these services. O.J. stated that his thoughts were that if the Town was to hire a company to run the facility, they would require the company to hire someone who lives in Lincoln to run the plant. At this time, the Board is still in the initial stages of the investigation.

Paul Beaudin stated that if he had to choose someone to treat his drinking water, it would be Dave Beaudin. Paul Beaudin feels it is important to keep the job local and cross-training employees. He added that as a taxpayer, he would like to have input before the Board makes a final decision on the operation of the water plant.

## **Town Manager's Report**

### **Connector Road Bridge**

Town Manager Burbank informed the Board that Roger Harrington recently contacted him to discuss the installation of lighting on the Connector Road bridge. Mr. Harrington found lighting online that only costs \$800.00. The Board discussed that a bulk of the cost of installing lighting would be the wiring and fixtures. Town Manger Burbank will contact a local electrician to get his opinion on the cost and will follow up with the Board.

### **Fire at Solid Waste Facility**

Paul Beaudin informed the Board that there was a fire in the trash compactor and must have started at night as it was burning when he arrived this morning. Both the Town of Lincoln and Woodstock Fire Departments responded. No real damage to the equipment was done other than a blackened can with blistered paint.

### **U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (ACE) Levee Standards**

Pat Romprey stated he has been researching the levee and he feels that returning the levee to the 1960 Standards of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (ACE) will still provide for a substandard structure and there will continue to be a flooding issue. He added that spending the money to repair the levee will be a waste of taxpayer dollars and that the Town cannot issue building permits to 1960 standards. In Mr. Romprey's opinion, new FEMA flood data reports show that the levee will be useless at 1960 standards. Town Manager Burbank specified that the ACE is concerned with life safety, not FEMA Standards. FEMA dictates insurance rates; the Town is more concerned with life safety. Romprey stated "\$1.2 million is not even a close estimate and once the levee is opened up we will see more damage than we think, be cautious".

All agreed that further investigation prior to Town Meeting was a good idea. O.J. Robinson stated that the Town has an obligation to the taxpayers along the levee. Town Manager Burbank will discuss Mr. Romprey and the Board's concerns with the project's engineering firm.

### **Loon Mountain Groomer**

Town Manager Burbank informed the Board that he discussed with Loon Mountain Resort the matter of running the groomer on Black Mountain Road. He was informed that the x-country groomer was built specifically without ice cogs and would not affect the pavement. Mr. Burbank will check the road for any damage once the roads have cleared of ice and snow and will continue to monitor it. Paul Beaudin stated that there is a back way onto the x-country trails behind the Mountain Club that Loon could run the groomer on.

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### **IV. NON PUBLIC SESSION PURSUANT TO RSA 91-A:3II(e)**

**MOTION: "To go into Non-Public Session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3II(e)"**

**Motion: O.J. Robinson      Second: Tamra Ham      Roll call vote was all in favor.**

The Board went into non-public session at 6:20pm.

**MOTION: "To re-enter public session."**

**Motion: O.J. Robinson      Second: Patricia McTeague      Roll call vote was all in favor.**

The Board came back into public session at 6:55pm.

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### **V. ADJOURNMENT**

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

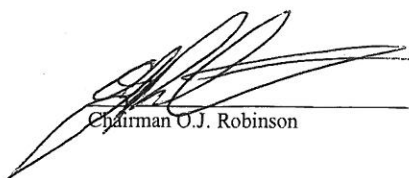
**MOTION: "To adjourn."**

**Motion: Tamra Ham      Second: O.J. Robinson      All in favor.**

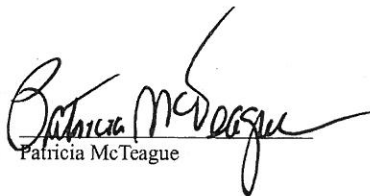
The meeting adjourned at 6:59pm.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Tamra Ham

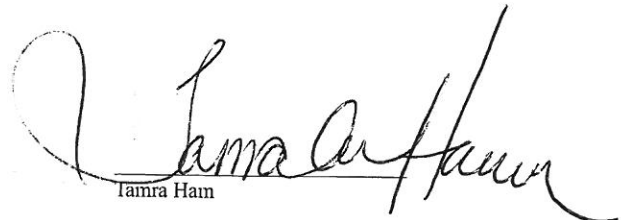
Approval Date 1/13/14



Chairman O.J. Robinson



Patricia McTeague



Tamra Ham