

**LINCOLN BOARD OF SELECTMEN**  
**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**  
**MONDAY, JANUARY 14, 2012 – 5:30PM**  
**LINCOLN TOWN HALL - 148 MAIN STREET, LINCOLN NH**

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

**Staff Present:** Town Manager Butch Burbank, Administrative Assistant Brook Rose, and Solid Waste Facility Manager Paul Beaudin.

**Public Present:** Representative Edmond Gionet.

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**I. CALL TO ORDER:**

Chairman Robinson called the meeting to order at 5:35 P.M.

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**II. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:**

**Motion: “To approve the meeting minutes of January 7, 2013.”**

Motion: Tamra Ham Second: Patricia McTeague Motion carried unanimously.

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**III. APPOINTMENTS – Representative Edmond Gionet re: Proposed Casino Legislation for the Town of Lincoln**

Representative Gionet appeared before the Board to update them on a proposed House Bill he drafted relative to video lottery and table gaming. He stated that this subject is a hot item within the State of NH right now. He added that with the high unemployment rate especially in the North Country, a casino would create jobs and revenue for the Town. The Town would see 3% of the net revenues. If enabling legislation is enacted, the State requires municipal approval. Rep. Gionet explained that he would like to have a warrant article brought to Town Meeting to see if the townspeople would support such legislation. He added that it would nice if the Selectmen were behind this proposed legislation and that said warrant article does not bind the Town to taking action. If voters do not approve the article, the State will focus efforts elsewhere. Right now the Legislature is primarily focusing on Rockingham for a gaming facility and the Town of Rockingham has formally announced their support. Town Manager Burbank questioned if such legislation were to be enacted and a gaming facility built, would they be required to follow local permitting. Rep. Gionet replied that yes all local and federal permitting is included in the bill.

Paul Beaudin commented that in 2009 the Planning Board adopted provisions to allow gaming in the Town’s general use district. Paul recommended a public informational meeting be held prior to Town Meeting. The Board thought this was a good idea and scheduled a public informational meeting for March 4<sup>th</sup>. The Board was also in favor of adding an article to the warrant. Town Manager Burbank will follow up to see if said article can be voted on during the day as part of the ballot rather than at the Town Meeting. They also asked that Rep. Gionet amend the proposed House Bill to state that such gaming facility only be allowed in the general use zone and not be specific to any certain property within the Town. The Board thanked Rep. Gionet for meeting with them.

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**IV. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

**Paul Beaudin / Plowing of School Parking Lot**

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Paul Beaudin stated that as a taxpayer, he is trying to figure out how the School hiring a private contractor to plow their parking lot will benefit the townspeople as there will be an increase in school taxes to cover this added expense. He stated that the Town should be able to figure out a way to take over the plowing of this lot. Town Manager Burbank stated the Town will continue to plow the School lot this winter season. He added that Public Works Director Willey has drawn up an estimate for the School based on the time and materials the Public Works Department spends plowing the School. His estimate for a winter season is \$7,000-9000. That information was sent to the SAU as a guide for the School's bid process. It was recently brought to Town Manager Burbank's attention that the plowing bids are coming in at upwards of \$60,000. Mr. Burbank called the SAU to determine why the bids are so high. After reviewing the bid sheet, it was apparent that the School is including much more work in the bid than what the towns are currently doing.

Mr. Burbank stated that he has discussed drafting an intermunicipal agreement with the Town Attorney as the towns can handle plowing the school for much less than a private contract. Mr. Burbank has made the SAU aware of this. Tamra Ham stated that she would like to challenge the SAU to approach the towns to request an intermunicipal agreement. Patricia McTeague added that the SAU really needs to make this request immediately while the towns are still in budget season. The Board thanked Paul for his input.

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## **V. OLD/ NEW BUSINESS**

### **Town Manager's Report – Fire Station Structural Issues**

Town Manager Burbank informed the Board that the engineering firm Hoyle & Tanner has submitted a phased proposal for the structural work that needs to be done at the fire station. Mr. Burbank has given the engineers the authority to move forward and conduct borings to determine why the building is settling so much. He stated that it is \$7500 to do the borings and the engineering study which should be done this week. The cost of the repairs will be determined in time to put an article on the warrant. He added that the temporary repair to the roof is being done right away to stop the leaks.

### **Update on Loon Bridge**

Mr. Burbank informed the Board that FEMA has verbally approved the replacement of the Loon Bridge to the State of NH. The Town should receive written notification of the approval within a few weeks. HEB Engineers is working on an estimate for the next phase of engineering and will present a proposal at the January 28<sup>th</sup> meeting.

### **Upcoming Meeting Schedule**

As next Monday, January 21<sup>st</sup> is a holiday, the Board will meet on Tuesday, January 22<sup>nd</sup> at 5:30pm.

### **Forest Ridge**

The Board asked that Town Manager Burbank move forward with hiring GZA Environmental to conduct an environmental survey of the parcel up for tax deeding at Forest Ridge.

**Update on Chenard Matter**

Town Manager Burbank informed the Board that Joe Chenard came into the office last week with the bids he had received to clean up his property. Joe is going to work with Mike Donahue and is supposed to meet with Mike this week to formulate a plan and get the clean-up started.

**VI. NON-PUBLIC SESSION**

**MOTION: “To enter into non-public session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3II(c) personnel.”**

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

**Roll Call Vote: Tamra Ham in favor  
Patricia McTeague in favor  
O.J. Robinson in favor.**

The Board entered non-public session at 7:00pm. At this time Brook Rose left the meeting.

**MOTION: “To come out of Non-Public Session.”**

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

**Roll Call Vote: Tamra Ham in favor  
Patricia McTeague in favor  
O.J. Robinson in favor.**

The Board came out of non-public session at 7:40pm. Town Hall staffing was discussed as well as the Police Captain hiring process. No decisions were made.

**VII. 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: Patricia McTeague   All in favor.**

The meeting adjourned at 7:45pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brook Rose

Approval Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

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Chairman O.J. Robinson

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Vice Chair Patricia McTeague

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Selectman Tamra Ham