Town of Lincoln Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes August 22, 2011

Board of Selectmen Present: Selectman Peter Moore, Selectman Patricia McTeague, Selectman O.J.Robinson

Staff: Town Manager Peter Joseph, Solid Waste Facility Manager Paul Beaudin and Admin Assistant Nancy Decoteau

Members of the Public: Bill Conn and Taylor Beaudin

I. CALL TO ORDER

P. Moore called the meeting to order at 5:35PM.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: "To approve the Board of Selectmen meeting minutes of August 15,

2011 as presented."

Motion: O.J. Robinson

Seconded: P. Moore

All in favor.

Abstain: P. McTeague

III.OLD/NEW BUSINESS

Black Mountain Road Reconstruction Project Update:

P. Joseph reported that the pre-construction bid documents are scheduled to be signed Thursday, August 25th. He indicated that on-site construction could begin within a week after that. He stated that construction will be put on hold during the Highland games and that a Clerk of the Works has been recommended for the project.

Riverbank Stabilization Project Update

- P. Joseph reported that the DES permit application should be submitted by the end of this week. Property owners in both Lincoln and Woodstock with property abutting the project area will be receiving notices.
- P. Joseph indicated that an estimate on the entire scope of the project is forthcoming.
- P. Joseph and Board members responded to questions from the public.
- O.J. Robinson stated the project will address the erosion issues in the proximity of the lagoons to prevent the potential large scale damage a big spring runoff could cause to that area.
- P. Moore stated that the Board is waiting for a detailed estimate on the actual cost of the entire scope of the project which will determine the scheduling and bid process.

Waste Management Contract Renewal:

Solid Waste Facility Manager, Paul Beaudin presented the Board with a spreadsheet which indicated the potential savings to the Town of Lincoln in agreeing to renew a 7-year contract with Waste Management.

P. Beaudin stated the current contract expires in 2013 and that Waste Management has offered the incentive of not charging fuel or environmental surcharges if the town renews early.

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- P. Beaudin stated that the Town of Lincoln would save \$104,307 over the 7 year term. He further stated that the savings over the first two years would be 27,636.
- P. Moore stated that the savings are substantial and that there would be no guarantee the same terms would be available if the town waited two years to renew the contract with Waste Management. P. Moore thanked P. Beaudin for taking the initiative to look into this matter.

MOTION: "To agree to enter into a contract with Waste Management for a period of seven years, the first two years of which include the final two years of the current contract, 2012 and 2013."

Motion: P. McTeague

Seconded: O.J. Robinson

All in favor.

A brief discussion regarding the role of the Joint Solid Waste Board followed. The Board determined that if necessary a meeting of the Joint Solid Waste Board would be held and they would take official action on the issue.

P. Joseph discussed the future capital needs of the Solid Waste Facility and encouraged P. Beaudin to include items such as paving and building maintenance needs in his planning.

Grafton County Dispatch Services Survey

- P. Joseph stated that Grafton County appears to still be investigation rolling the cost of operating their dispatch center into the operating budget rather than collecting revenue from the towns that use the service. P. Joseph directed the Board's attention to the survey recently put out by Grafton County regarding the dispatch service which implies the county may be moving to "no fees" for the dispatch service. P. Joseph indicated that the "fee" becomes part of the County Tax rate when the costs for the service are rolled into the operating budget for the County.
- P. Moore requested P. Joseph draft a letter to Commissioner R. Burton regarding the issue.
- P. McTeague stated that other towns not using County Dispatch services should be made aware of this as well.
- P. Joseph stated he would have the final draft of the letter ready for the next meeting.

TOWN MANAGER REPORT

MOTION: "To appoint Captain Ron Beard, Lt Shawn Woods and Lt Ed Peterson Jr. as Deputy Forest Fire Wardens."

Motion: P. McTeague

Seconded: O.J. Robinson

All in favor.

P. Joseph reported an insurance claim has been filed for the chlorine analyzer and telemetry transmitter destroyed by a lightening strike at the Boise Brook Pumping Station.

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P. Joseph presented the Contribution Assurance Program proposal from Primex.

MOTION: "To hereby accept the offer of the New Hampshire Public Risk Management Exchange (Primex) to enter into its Workers' Compensation 5% Multi-Year Discount Program as of the date of the adoption of this resolution, and to be contractually bound to all of the terms and conditions of Primex risk management pool membership during the term of the Workers' Compensation 5% Multi-Year Discount Program. The coverage provided by Primex in each year of membership shall be as then set forth in the Coverage Documents of Primex."

Motion: P. McTeague

Seconded: O. J. Robinson

All in favor.

MOTION: "To agree to participate in the Primex Contribution Assurance Program and to appoint Peter Joseph as the authorized representative for the Town of Lincoln."

Motion: O.J. Robinson Seconded: P. McTeague

All in favor.

- P. Joseph stated the Police Sergeant's position opening is posted per the Union requirements.
- P. Joseph stated he met with the School Board and reached an agreement regarding the school resource officer.

PUBLIC INPUT:

P. Beaudin submitted a letter to the Board regarding the possible sale of Town land adjacent to the Kanc Rec Area.

After a brief discussion, P. Moore stated that P. Beaudin's concern is duly noted and requested the letter be included in the minutes of the meeting.

At 7:35pm the following motion was made:

MOTION: "To adjourn."

Motion: P. McTeague

Seconded: O.J.Robinson

All in favor.

Respectfully submitted, Nancy Decoteau

Approval Date: 08 / 29 / 1

LINCOLN BOARD OF SELECTMEN:

August 20, 2011

Town of Lincoln Board of Selectman 148 Main Street-PO Box 25 Lincoln N.H 03251

Dear Lincoln Select Board:

I recently received your letter in regards to my request to purchase the small piece of property that abuts mine. I must tell you that I am very disappointed with this decision especially concerning the reason for the decision. This was never about the town's property having a potential use. As a matter of record on 12/14/2009 at a Selectman's meeting the Town Manager Peter Joseph said that the property would not be able to be built upon. This was also re-affirmed at a Selectman's meeting on 6/6/2011 when again the Town Manager said and I Quote" the Town really does not have any use for that parcel of land" and Selectman Peter Moore stated that he had no problem with putting the land to bid and that the Lincoln Select Board had continuing discussions about selling isolated lots to be put back on the tax role.

Now on 8/8/2011 due to a legal opinion stating that the Town has access (which Town Manager Peter Joseph knew all along) the Selectman have decided to NOT sell property due to it having potential use. I am disappointed that the Select Board has chosen to make this decision and I believe you have created a double standard for the disposition of Town owned property. How is it that when the NCCA needed a piece of property the Town GAVE them a piece of property that had a future use a municipal parking lot when I was on the downtown planning committee? Again the Town most recently offered Alex Ray a Piece of Town owned property which is part of the same piece that I am interested in a chance to purchase it without going to public bid. There have also been other parcels that the Town in the past has worked hard to put back on the tax rolls.

I had been hoping to be able to come to an amicable resolve over the disposition of this property. This would have continued to allow town folks to access the Kanc Rec area thru my property. Now that you have made your decision my plans have changed so that there will no longer be access thru my property in order for me to be able to protect my property from unauthorized trespassers.

I would like to tonight request that you re-consider my offer to work with the Town to allow continued access across my property in exchange for the small piece of property that we are talking about. I think that you are setting a precedence here that will not allow the town to convey property to others and put it back on the tax role which would be a better option than giving it to NCCA with no tax revenue in exchange for property.

Sincerely,

Paul Beaudin II Resident Taxpayer