TOWN OF JAFFREY

Jaffrey, New Hampshire Select Board Meeting Minutes August 28, 2017

Chairman: James Moore

Selectmen: Franklin W. Sterling, Jr., James Weimann

Town Manager: Jon Frederick

Staff: Randall Heglin, Director DPW, Judy Zola, Administrative Assistant **Others Present:** David L'Ecuyer, Forest Park, Nick Handy, Monadnock Ledger

A. Call to Order – 6:00 pm

B. Public Hearings - None

C. Approval of Meeting Minutes

On a motion by Weimann, seconded by Sterling, the Public Minutes of 08/14/17 were approved (3-0).

On a motion by Sterling, seconded by Weimann, the Non-Public Minutes of 8/14/17 were approved and sealed indefinitely. (3-0).

D. Appointments

<u>David L'Ecuyer- Forest Park-</u> Mr. L'Ecuyer came before the Board to discuss forgiveness of taxes owed on an abandoned home in Forest Park Estates. The property has been abandoned for over 3 years and is currently accruing late fees due to unpaid taxes, in addition to park fees. If the Town would grant tax forgiveness, the Park could then sell the home. A contractor has approached them to purchase and repair the home. After some discussion, it appears that the Park has a writ of possession for the lot, not the home itself. It was advised that he should speak with his lawyer and once the Park gains possession of the home, then they can proceed with the foreclosure process. He will contact the Park's lawyer and update the BOS about ownership and foreclosure proceedings if possible.

E. Consent Agenda

- 1. Payroll and Vendor Manifests
- 2. Abatements
 - a) #17-51- Forest Park Tenants Assoc. 127 Forest Park \$ 2,959.35 Sewer
- 3. Land Use Change Tax
 - a) Michael & Kendra Shea 259 Ingalls Road abatement due to overpayment
- 4. Notice of Intent to Cut Wood or Timber
 - a) #17-233-06-T Society for Protection of NH Forests Map 201/Lot 2, Map 202/Lots 2&3

On a motion by Weimann, seconded by Sterling, the consent agenda was approved (3-0).

F. Old Business

1. Request to Use SB38 Funds for Paving- Randy Heglin, DPW Director, outlined his plan for using the funds for paving on Hillcrest Road, Nelson Circle, Tyler Hill Road and portions of Fitzwilliam Road from Spaulding Road southerly toward the town line. NHDOT notified DPW that the paving on River Street is unacceptable and must be corrected. The town holds a retainage from Kingsbury and will utilize these funds to repave River Street if Kingsbury doesn't respond in a satisfactory and timely fashion. Tyler Hill Road would also be considered with the River Street paving due to proximity. The ability to lure the town's paving contractor for this type of work is unlikely due to the limited scope. Chairman Moore asked if the funds could be used for next year's budget and decrease the Capital Improvement Plan budget. The spirit of the bill, according to Selectman Sterling is to "catch-up" on projects, not to be used in future budgeting.

On a motion by Sterling, seconded by Weimann, this request as outlined by the State, was approved (2-1 Moore abstained).

G. New Business

1. <u>General Assistance Guidelines Update-</u> Town of Jaffrey Welfare Department requests a change in guidelines to prohibit 2nd vehicles and self-employment start-up costs from being considered in determining benefits. Mary Drew, Welfare Director asked the BOS to approve this update to Jaffrey's Welfare guidelines. This request was approved (3-0).

H. Reports to the Select Board

Selectmen's Reports

- Weimann: No updates.
- <u>Sterling</u>: HDC didn't have a meeting, but they did do a site review on a Thorndike Pond Road residence. The wood shingles need replacing and they wanted the HDC to look at the home.

• Moore:

1. <u>School Appropriation Committee</u>- no mutual agreement resulted from this committee. Each town will submit their requests to the School Board for their review and decision.

2. Conservation Commission-

- They are concerned with the ZBA and the Belletetes expansion application
- There has been a request by a forester to improve a class VI road for foresting sections of Carey Park.
- Serra Gauthier was nominated as a new alternate member.
- Pesticides in town has been discussed.
- Tanerite explosions have been taking place.
- Moose plate Grant money will be used for constructing the parking spaces at Cheshire Pond Conservation Area.
- Abutters to the proposed parking area @ Cheshire Pond Conservation Area have been very vocal against the parking area.

Town Manager's Report

- Todd Muilenberg, current Rindge Police Chief, was hired as a Lieutenant here at the Jaffrey Police Department. His start date will be September 25th.
- Attended a Brownfields Meeting in Keene. Both Phase 2 for WR Cross and Phase 1 for St. Patrick's were denied. They would prefer properties for consideration to be town owned. TM Frederick will speak to Jo Anne Carr, Director of Planning and Economic Development, for further action.
- The Town Office will be closed on September 14 & 15 due to first floor tiling.
- There has been discussion regarding the pesticides used by the Town because of the petition currently circulating, again, the Town is under contract for this year and is not changing anything.
- Website and Facebook should be up going live on Friday.
- Email received from Trevor Maki, who is a member of the Tour of Honor, complementing us on our Buddy's Memorial.
- I. Other Business
- J. Non-public Session
- K. Adjournment

| Meeting adjourned at 6:57pm, on a motion by Weimann, seconded by Sterling (3-0). | |
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| Submitted: | Attest: |
| Judith A. Zola | James C. Moore |
| Administrative Assistant | Chairman |