

SELECT BOARD MEETING July 29, 2024

Attending: Richard Bielefield, Chris Ellms, Margo Connors, Jennifer Gaudette

Motion to enter Nonpublic Session made by Chris Ellms seconded by Margo Connors

Specific Statutory Reasons cited as foundation for the nonpublic session:

*RSA 91-A:3, II(c) Matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person, other than a member of this board, unless such person requests an open meeting. This exemption shall extend to include any application for assistance or tax abatement or waiver of a fee, fine or other levy, if based on inability to pay or poverty of the applicant.*

Roll Call vote to enter nonpublic session: Margo Connors-Yes, Richard Bielefield-Yes Chris Ellms – Yes,

The board moved to Non-public session at 4:55pm

Motion to seal the minutes made by Margo Connors, seconded by Richard Bielefield, because it is determined that divulgence of this information likely would render a proposed action ineffective

Roll Call Vote to seal minutes: Margo Connors – Yes, Richard Bielefield – Yes, Chris Ellms -Yes. Motion: PASSED

Motion to leave nonpublic session and adjourn at 5:15 pm., by Margo Connors, seconded by Richard Bielefield. Motion: PASSED

Guests: Judy Sawyer, Claire & Fred Von Karls, Betsey and Shep Holcomb, Paul Reid, Brian Beaulieu Allan Clark - Fire Chief, Red McCarthy-Town Engineer

MR. ELLMS made a motion to approve the minutes of July 22, 2024, seconded by MS. CONNORS. The motion passed unanimously.

CHIEF CLARK and TOWN ENGINEER MCCARTHY met with the board to discuss the status of the Streeter Pond/Indian Brook Bridge and a possible extension with FEMA. CHIEF CLARK will draft another letter for an extension so the town will be able to get the project completed and all the bills submitted. MR. MCCARTHY said the footings will arrive on Thursday with a crane to set. The footings are 10' with a pedestal on top. Wing walls will also be set. Next week the 9 pieces of the bridge should arrive. Chief Clark noted he needed a copy of the Presby Construction contract.

CHIEF CLARK updated the board that FEMA had a math error and the figure coming to the town will be closer to \$84,000. CHIEF CLARK also requested the hours and information for the SHHD assisting Littleton Highway through the Public Works Mutual Aid. Chief Clark is working with Consolidated in regarding low hanging wires at the intersection of Route 117 and Bickford Hill. A delivery truck was unable to make a delivery due to the height of the wires.

Correspondence was read and acted upon.

Jennifer asked if the board would like the Road Report added to the newsletter and the board confirmed they would.

Jennifer advised that the refrigerator at the Meeting House has blown the compressor and repair estimated at \$900.00. Jim is waiting and will explore other funding options to replace.

The new Building & Ground Truck will need a dump body and the funds will come from the existing CRF.

The board approved an Intent to Cut Wood or timber for Ed Zuk, Map 225, Lot 1. Pearl Lake Road.

The board approved the use of the Crapo Building on September 22, 2024 by Sandra Cabrera.

Septic Approval for Operation was received for Map 219, Lot 192 (old) Map 220, Lot 27 (new)  
Jessica L. Knapp Living Trust

Septic Approval for Construction was received for Map 214, Lot 23 (old) Map 219, Lot 80 (new)  
Connors Revocable Trust

The board will not be attending the Eversource information session.

An email was received concerning elections signs and Jennifer advised that the State RSA supersedes the town zoning for signs. A copy of the RSA was sent.

Jennifer and Margo will complete the HOP Grant survey that is due Wednesday.

The board will finalize information on the North Country Council Pop Up for slowing traffic on August 15<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup>.

The board will utilize the Town of Jacksons Short Term Rental Form with permission.

With no more business before the Board, Mr. Bielefeld made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Ms. Connors. The meeting was adjourned at 6:10pm. The next regular scheduled meeting is Monday, August 5, 2024 at 5:00 pm at the Crapo Building.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Gaudette  
Town Administrator