

Town of Bartlett Office of Selectmen

Meeting Minutes: September 17, 2018

Attendance: David Patch, Vicki Garland

Absent: Chairman Gene Chandler

Visitors: Kevin McEnaney, Barry Trudeau, Patsy Rogerson

Reporters: None

Meeting opened at 03:35 PM.

John Lowell, President of Attitash/Bear Peak and Steve Mannik, General Manager of Grand Summit Hotel met with the Selectmen in reference to the fact that Attitash/Bear Peak has sold their commercial unit at the Grand Summit Hotel. Selectman Garland questioned then you no longer are involved with the Grand Summit. Lowell replied it is now owned by the unit owners. They would like to change the sign that is out on Route 302 to reflect this change. Pictures of the new proposed sign were shown. The two new signs would be 48 square feet each. Lynn Jones, AA, stated that she remembers that this is a peculiar shaped lot with the Grand Summit leg jutting down and that is why they were allowed the original sign as it wasn't considered an off premise sign. Lowell thought it was land locked. Lynn Jones, AA, believes a lot had to be created but she would need to research the sign issue further.

Lowell also let the Selectmen know that he has been approached by the Chamber of Commerce to host a family event in June of 2019. It would be held at the Fields of Attitash. There would be music, food, crafts and more. Selectman Patch commented that they would need a special events permit. Selectman Patch also inquired if they would be using tents as those may require the fire chief to inspect them. Lynn Jones, AA, also mentioned that when the equine was held they had to have a public hearing to make the neighbors aware of what was happening in case of any disruption to them. Selectman Patch requested that they file for the special events permit and we would go from there.

Attorney Thomas Dewhurst met to discuss two parcels of land. One being located in the area of the Scenic Vista (1RT016-10-L10) and the other in the area of Sleepy Hollow (2RT302-9-L00). The properties were reassessed last year and the values appear to be way off as there isn't any easy access to either of them. The lot by the Scenic Vista has a restriction on it for agriculture or pastoral usage only. There is also a question concerning which lot it is as he found an assessment by David Taylor as well as a sketch which clearly delineates the parcel and it isn't the lot that is being represented in the tax mapping system which shows a parcel of land down by the river. Selectman Patch inquired as to the location of the road to get to this land. Dewhurst showed this on a map he had provided. He also mentioned that you would have to obtain a right of way from the State to gain access to the property. The assessed value is now \$135,000. He would like to pay the taxes from the John Cannell Revocable Trust (John passed away this winter) but he would like it to be the correct amount.

The second lot by Sleepy Hollow has been under water twice now and the value went from \$21,000 to \$120,000. Dewhurst stated that he contacted the Department of Transportation and the Department of Rail to discuss the possible abandonment of the old

Right-of-Way which was within the State Rail ROW. The ROW still exists and the status of the land hasn't changed for at least the last 60 years and it is questionable if it can be built on. Selectman Garland commented that there appears to be two issues. 1.) Location of land. 2.) Lack of access and flooding. Dewhurst provided pertinent information to include maps, letters, tax cards, etc. The Selectmen will review the information that has been provided and get back to Atty. Dewhurst.

Kevin McEnaney stated that he had gone to check the Saco River out up by second Iron and noticed the platforms that were by the tracks are gone. He has spoken to Bob King, the Emergency Management Director, about this. Selectman Garland explained that the train has them taken off which they do every year but they leave the supply of plywood there in case a way out is needed.

Rick Jenkinson from the Upper Saco Valley Land Trust stopped in to see if the change of use permit application for the former Ware property on East Branch Road had been approved and signed. Selectman Patch stated that it looks good to him but Chairman Chandler still has to review it.

Debra Doucet of Saco River Financial Planning dropped in to see if her building permit application had been approved. She was informed that we needed more information. The ridgeline form wasn't filled out and if she is planning on putting her financial planning office in the basement she needs a home industry permit. Doucet commented that she is the only employee and that customers would be coming to her. A description of home industry was given to her. She also mentioned that she isn't in the ridgeline. Selectman Patch let her know that the form still has to be made out and signed. He also mentioned that she should be able to find the elevation of the property on the septic plans. Another issue may be that her deck doesn't meet the setbacks. She would like to get this permit as soon as possible so she can schedule the pouring of the footings. She was informed that she will receive a letter describing what additional information is needed as soon as Chairman Chandler reviews and signs the letter.

Police Chief Christopher Keaton walked in (no appointment scheduled) and requested to go into nonpublic session for a personnel issue. Selectman Garland made a motion at 04:35 PM to enter nonpublic session for a personnel issue per NH RSA 91-A:3 II (c). Selectman Patch seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous. Selectman Garland made a motion at 04:50 PM to end the nonpublic session. Selectman Patch seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous.

The Selectmen signed checks, building permits and correspondence during the course of the meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 05:50 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Medeiros, Sec.