

Town of Bartlett Office of Selectmen

Meeting Minutes: June 6, 2016

Attendance: Chairman Gene Chandler, David Patch, Jonathan Hebert

Visitors: Ray Mitchell (arrived at 05:00 PM)

Reporters: None

Meeting opened at 03:30 PM.

Mark Hounsell of Hounsell & Sons stopped by the meeting with shingle color samples for the Glen Fire Station roof. The Selectmen weren't sure which color matched what is there now so they requested Hounsell to go to the GFS and see which one he felt was the best match and they would go with that. (Hounsell did this and came back and stated that weathered rock was the closest color to what we have). Hounsell also suggested that for the drip edge that they go with aluminum which was ok with the Selectmen. Hounsell also dropped off a copy of the OSHA safety plan and an insurance binder. The Selectmen gave Hounsell a check for the requested \$5000.00 retainer fee.

Selectmen reviewed the paperwork from Primex to switch our Property Liability insurance from PLT (to be defunct as of July 1, 2016) to Primex and bundle it with our Workers Compensation insurance which is already with Primex. The following resolution was read:

RESOLVED: To hereby accept the offer of the NH Public Risk Management Exchange (Primex) to enter into its Membership Agreement as of the date of 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 membership. The coverage provided by Primex in any year of memberships shall be as then set forth in the Coverage Documents of Primex.

Motion was made by Selectman Hebert and seconded by Selectman Patch to accept the resolution as read to have Primex be our carrier for Workers Compensation insurance and Property Liability insurance. Vote: All agreed. Chairman Chandler signed the paperwork which will be sent to Primex. Bartlett Jackson Ambulance director, M. Rick Murnik, and Thomas Greig met with the Selectmen and requested to go into nonpublic session for a personnel issue. Selectman Hebert made a motion at 04:00 PM to go into nonpublic session for a personnel issue per NH RSA 91-A: 3 II (a). Selectman Patch seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous.

Selectman Hebert made a motion at 04:30 PM to end the nonpublic session and to seal the minutes. Selectman Patch seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous.

Peter Gagne (1THORNH-54-R00) dropped into the meeting as a follow up of his earlier email concerning the parts and pieces at the old Bartlett dump that used to be located on the Iovino property (5VILLG-MAI-380) in Bartlett village that is showing up along the river bank. Chairman Chandler explained that we had written a letter to the land owners but we haven't heard back from them yet. Chairman Chandler also informed Gagne that the town never owned the property. Gagne replied that it is town garbage and that the bank is quickly eroding away and he wants to know whose responsibility this is. He has spoken to the Department of Environmental Services. Gagne stated this is a very important matter and he isn't letting go of it. Gagne inquired as to what kind of agreement the town had with the landowner. Chairman Chandler stated that he isn't even sure if we paid anything and this was a burn dump not a landfill. Chairman Chandler also stated that he isn't saying that some of this isn't from the town but years ago people all along the river just used to dump their trash in their back yards. Gagne stated that even down by Thorne Pond there are metal/sharp objects. Gagne commented that he doesn't know what liability of the town this is but it has never been taken care of and it has been brought up before. Selectman Hebert stated that DES will steer us in the right direction.

Gagne remarked that he contacted the Upper Saco Valley Land Trust and they have no interest in this. Selectman Hebert commented that we will have to see what the landowner has to say.

Police Chief Janet Champlin was unable to attend the meeting but sent an email passing the following along:

1.) Office Ian MacMillan started full time with us last week and assisted with the Memorial Day events in town, which went well (a smaller turnout than in the past). With the addition of Officer MacMillan, this has enabled us to have two officers on Friday night shift, and it has already yielded positive results. Together with Officer Chapman, they were able to make an arrest of a driver who has been driving with a suspended license, and who has been eluding area police for several weeks. Officer MacMillan also found a suspicious person loitering near a store after hours. Our goal of proactive policing is occurring.

2.) We have increased our directed speed patrols, especially in Bartlett Village and Route 16A, and we have received thanks from several residents as a result. These speed patrols will continue. Now that Storyland is open for the season, we are also focusing on the southbound breakdown lane of Route 16 where drivers have been using this lane instead of waiting in line for the light at Route 16 and Route 302 in the proper driving lane.

3.) Last Thursday, Officer Chapman responded to a 911 hang-up call from an elderly gentleman who had suffered a heart attack. Upon arrival Officer Chapman performed CPR and was able to revive the victim, who was transported to Memorial. Rick Murnick advised he will be completing a letter for Officer Chapman's file commending him.

4.) This coming Friday, we will be holding the interviews for Sergeant. Three ranking officers from area agencies will be on the board with me for the interviews.

5.) My prosecutorial duties have increased with the increase in arrests, and ongoing criminal investigations, and Betsy Rand's organizational abilities have been a huge asset, as she continues to update our systems and forms.

6.) Thank you for your ongoing support of the police department.

The Selectmen signed checks, reviewed correspondence and building permits throughout the regular meeting.

The Selectmen at 05:00 PM adjourned their regular meeting and then met with the Jackson Selectmen to hold a Bartlett Jackson Transfer Station Committee Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Medeiros, Sec.