

Town of Bartlett Office of Selectmen

Meeting Minutes: June 21, 2013

Attendance: Chairman Gene Chandler, Douglas Garland, David Patch

Reporters: None

Meeting opened at 08:30 AM.

The Selectmen had received from the attorney for the Bartlett Jackson Ambulance a copy of a proposed settlement agreement of the Vousboukis versus Bartlett Jackson Ambulance accident. The Selectmen reviewed the agreement. A call was placed to the ambulance directors and after this discussion Chairman Chandler made a motion to accept the agreement. Selectman Patch seconded the motion. Motion carried. The Selectmen notified the attorney.

Chairman Chandler placed a call to Forest Ranger, Robert Boyd, in reference to a forest fire that happened last August that we haven't been reimbursed for and it appears there is a discrepancy about the rates. Chairman Chandler left a message for him to see if he can get a clarification as to what is going on.

Walter Jensen, S & W Roofing, telephoned the Selectmen as a follow up concerning the vapor barrier at the Bartlett Village Fire Station that didn't get installed on the new roof. Chairman Chandler mentioned that they had thought they had made it pretty plain that they had wanted the barrier and it was part of the contract. Jensen stated that he didn't know what to do about it now. Chairman Chandler stated that a remedy would be to receive a break in the price since we didn't get what was anticipated and to be fair to the other bidders who had included the material and labor in the bid they submitted. Jensen inquired as to what the Selectmen felt was a fair price reduction. Chairman Chandler stated \$500.00 as that seemed to be about what bidders had estimated. Jensen stated that that was more than fair. A check was written for the reduced price of \$5350.00 that represents payment in full and sent certified mail.

George and Terri O'Brien (1RT016-93-L10) met with the Selectmen as a follow up of their abatement request meeting they had with the Selectmen on May 31, 2013. G. O'Brien was looking for a little more clarification. He agrees that the house measurements are certainly more accurate now but that only decreased the 42% increase in taxes to 38% and he feels that is still high. Selectman Garland pointed out that the appraiser that O'Brien had do the property didn't stay within the town of Bartlett for his comparisons but went to Conway, Tuftonboro, Moultonborough and those aren't accurate comparisons. Lynn Jones, AA, printed the new revised property card that shows the correct measurements and the change in the building to half story from previously stated full story and distributed them for everyone to review. G. O'Brien stated that his is a specialized property and that there are flood plain issues. Selectman Garland inquired as to when the in-law apartment was built. T. O'Brien stated that was in 2008. Selectman Garland stated that perhaps the apartment wasn't picked up on the property card until the revaluation was done which would account for part of the increase. Selectman Garland also pointed out that the appraisal that O'Brien submitted had holes in it as it only

included the house which had the wrong measurements and didn't include the decks/porch, in-law apartment, etc. which brought the appraisal in low at \$342,000. G. O'Brien stated that the town had come in at \$408,000 and he felt this was high. Lynn Jones, AA, mentioned that the house itself was \$313,600 and the remaining amount was for the land and other buildings. Chairman Chandler stated that the appraiser had used a higher price per square foot than the town did so if we used his figures and applied them to the correct size of the house, etc. it would be higher than what the town had it appraised for. T. O'Brien replied we will take the towns figures. Selectman Patch commented that perhaps the problem was that they were just too low before, but after the revaluation was done it brought them more in to line as to where they should be. Selectman Garland stated that after the revaluation was done that some property values went up while others went down. G. O'Brien stated that they will sign off of and accept the revised value which will apply for 2011 and 2012. Notice will be sent to the Board of Tax and Land Appeals.

Police Chief Timothy Connifey requested to enter nonpublic session to discuss a personnel issue. Chairman Chandler made a motion at 10:03 AM to enter nonpublic session to discuss the personnel issue with Connifey per NH RSA 91-A 3 II (a). Selectman Patch seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Selectman Garland made a motion at 10:25 AM to end the nonpublic session and to seal the minutes. Chairman Chandler seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

The Selectmen reviewed correspondence, building permits, signed letters and checks prior to and throughout the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 10:50 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Medeiros, Sec.