Town of Bartlett Office of Selectmen Meeting Minutes: December 21, 2015

Attendance: Chairman Gene Chandler, David Patch, Jonathan Hebert

Visitors: Erik Corbett, Ray Mitchell

Reporters: None

Meeting opened at 03:30 PM.

The Selectmen began their meeting by singing Happy Birthday to the town clerk/tax collector Cheryl Nealley and enjoyed cupcakes.

John Budden (1Holrg-57/58-0) met with the Selectmen in reference to questions he had on the article in the paper concerning the citation for publication complaint to quiet title of Emery Lane Road. Budden inquired if Emery Lane is a town road. Chairman Chandler replied that it is not a town road but he believes that if he checks at the Carroll Country Registry of Deeds that it is a recorded one with them. Budden stated that he is concerned as his property abuts this road. Selectman Patch inquired just what is it that it is trying to be done. Budden replied that an individual is trying to take the land. He has spoken to the planning board and the zoning board of adjustment and they suggested that he check with the Selectmen for the classification of the road. Chairman Chandler stated that he should check with his attorney but he believes they will find that it is a platted road which means that people have a right to use it. Selectman Hebert inquired as to what it says in his deed. Budden wasn't sure. Chairman Chandler said that his deed should mention a plan reference in it. Chairman Chandler stated that many years ago he remembers that it used to be referred to as something else and that Bob Gerling (former land owner) had put in a petitioned special article to change the name to Emery Lane. Budden stated that as an abutting land owner he would have thought that he would have been notified of this quiet title but instead a friend pointed it out to him in the paper. Budden will be in touch with his attorney as it appears to be a civil matter that does not involve the town.

Chairman Chandler made a motion to carry over any money left from the special articles to be spent next year. The special articles involved are #3 (Town Road improvements), #4 (Linderhof development road improvements), #5 (Four wheel drive highway truck with plow) #7 (Tractor mower), #10 (Master plan for Morrell site), #8 (2012 River Street Bridge project). Selectman Patch seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous.

Selectman Hebert made a motion at 04:10 PM to enter nonpublic session per NH RSA 91-A: 3 II (c). 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. Roll call vote was unanimous.

Chairman Chandler inquired from Selectman Patch and Selectman Hebert if they would be available on January 4<sup>th</sup> at 08:30 AM to do a walk- thru of the River Street bridge project with the engineer, Josh McAllister and Thomas Currier, Project Superintendant of A.J. Coleman. The Selectmen are all available so contact will be made with Engineer McAllister to see if that also fits into his schedule.

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The Selectmen had received from Mike Horrigan, President, Beechwoods Homeowner's Association a request to have Engineer Burr Phillips release his historical data regarding road construction at Beechwoods. All the Selectmen agreed that this was ok.

The Selectmen had received an e-mail from Fire Chief L. Patrick Roberts that stated that the Town's ISO (Insurance Service Office) rating has improved significantly. The Selectmen have requested a clearer explanation of this and what the effect will be.

Ray Mitchell inquired about what is going on with the tax sale issue as at the last meeting the Selectmen were going to check with the town attorney. Chairman Chandler stated that at the present time we are having title searches done on the advice of legal counsel.

Ray Mitchell also inquired as to what decision the Selectmen had made concerning the Department of Revenue Administration and the five year property value update. Chairman Chandler stated that they hadn't had an opportunity to discuss it much further. We have contacted Avitar, the assessing firm, to obtain a price quote but their office is closed until January 4<sup>th</sup>.

Selectman Hebert inquired about direct deposit for the Bartlett Recreation Department since the TD Bank is closing its branch bank in Glen. Chairman Chandler stated that it could be done but it will have to be set up. Apparently you can do both and either issue checks or have direct deposit whichever you prefer. This will need further research and training.

The Selectmen had received communication from the Road Agent, Travis Chick, concerning three plowing situations in Bartlett village. The Selectmen will be contacting the property owners requesting their cooperation should snow ever come.

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

There being no further business Selectman Hebert made a motion at 5:05 PM to close the meeting. Selectman Patch seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Medeiros, Sec.