

Town of Bartlett Office of Selectmen
Meeting Minutes: June 9, 2014
Attendance: Chairman Gene Chandler, David Patch
Absent: Douglas Garland
Reporters: None

Meeting opened at 03:30 PM.

Michael Martin of the US Forest Service met with the Selectmen to bring them up to date on the following: 1.) They are waiting for the NH Department of Environmental Services permits which have been a challenge to obtain to do the rebuilding of the Rocky Branch and the Slippery Brook bridges. Chairman Chandler offered to try and assist them with that if needed. Martin stated that the process seems to be working now but if that changes he will let us know. 2.) As a follow up on the previously discussed deeds for McKeil Pond Road and Jericho Road they have been recorded at the Carroll County Registry of Deeds and this is now all finalized. Some of the property owners on McKeil Pond Road still have to remove some of their buildings that are on government property. They are working with the home owners to get this done. 3.) The work on the NEON tower on Bear Notch road is going on. There will be no impact to private property. Chairman Chandler spoke for Selectman Garland in that the Bartlett Village Water Precinct use over the Garland property is for water use only. Martin stated that they were aware of that and there are other associated uses which they are dealing with. 4.) Martin has looked at the Rocky Branch shelter #2. He discovered that the original one was built in 1934 with vertical logs and in the 60's it was replaced with an 8 man model. He has spoken to Ben English and some other people of Jackson, but after looking closely at this he has decided to have the shelter removed. He did hear the people but financially it just doesn't work. Chairman Chandler commented that this is one of those things that they would have to agree to disagree on. Chairman Chandler inquired if there was any way that we could keep it if a fund raiser was done. Martin stated that the location is the challenge and the answer is probably no. Martin commented that if the Selectmen wanted to rebuild the Sawyer river picnic area then he would enter into an agreement with them.

Chairman Chandler inquired if Loop road off of Bear Notch road was open. Martin explained that it was very wet by Haystack and they had someone get stuck out there and that is why it has been closed. Selectman Patch inquired if they were doing bridge work on the road. Martin stated that they were replacing a culvert but that the road should be open soon.

Chairman Chandler inquired as to why the NEON trucks seem to be seen in different locations on Bear Notch road. Martin explained that over a five mile area they are doing research on the soil, beetles, etc. They will also be having an airplane that will be flying over the area very soon that will also be doing research testings.

Chairman Chandler inquired for Selectman Garland as to what is happening with the Bartlett Village snowmobile trail. Martin explained that they are still trying to work out something to have it moved away from their administrative building as he is concerned for the safety of the employees. He is working with DRED and the snowmobile club to obtain their input on this. Martin is concerned that with Peter Gagne opening his business, the Northern Extreme snowmobiles, at a new location in Bartlett that this will

be bringing in more novice riders that will be going by the administrative building as before it wasn't as much of a concern as Gagne was trucking the snowmobiles to Bear Notch road. Martin stated that there is no perfect solution and everyone needs to sit down and figure it out. Martin stated that this will be a project for the next forest service person to work on as he is being relocated to Wisconsin in July. The Selectmen wished him well. Chairman Chandler stated that although they didn't always agree for the most part they got along and it is frustrating that the Forest Service keeps moving people around.

Chairman Chandler made a motion at 04:30 PM to enter nonpublic session to discuss a request for aid under NH RSA 91-A II (c). Selectman Patch seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Selectman Patch made a motion at 04:45 PM to end the nonpublic session and to seal the minutes. Chairman Chandler seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Selectman Patch made a motion at 04:55 PM to enter nonpublic session to discuss a request for aid under NH RSA 91-A II (c). Chairman Chandler seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Chairman Chandler made a motion at 05:10 PM to end the nonpublic session and to seal the minutes. Selectman Patch seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Steven Pelletier (3RT302-23/28-R00) met with the Selectmen in reference to his sign permit application that he had submitted for the Wash'n Tan business. Chairman Chandler explained that he hadn't included on his application what signage he already had on the lot and we needed to know that information. Pelletier explained that all but this new sign was coming down. Chairman Chandler had him write this on his sign permit application. Selectman Patch signed the permit. Pelletier inquired if he was deemed a shopping center as there were two businesses in the building. Lynn Jones, AA, read the Bartlett zoning ordinance which states that a shopping center is when there are more than two retail establishments on the same lot and this was amended on 03/08/11. Pelletier stated that he is planning on replacing the former vacuum cleaner business with a different business. Chairman Chandler stated that he can put another business there as the Zoning Board of Adjustment had established the building as a shopping center. Selectman Patch informed him that he does need to submit a change of use permit application. Pelletier also mentioned that he wants to change the name of the business but is having difficulty finding a name that hasn't already been used.

Pelletier inquired about the amount of septic usage that is being used at the Andy's ski shop which has a two bedroom apartment along with the store. Chairman Chandler explained that he has 1160 gallons on the lot. Lynn Jones, AA, stated that the apartment takes up 300 per day, but the retail is much more difficult to determine. You have to go by the state regulations and they factor in things like the number of employees, etc. Chairman Chandler informed him that he will have to have a licensed septic designer do these calculations for when he submits his permit application.

Chairman Chandler mentioned that as a note of caution that he is considered as having two lots and he must maintain the green area between them and he needs to let the Selectmen know if he plans to do anything to the green area. He needs to notify them before he does anything. Pelletier stated that he would like to take that mound out between the businesses and plant shrubbery. Lynn Jones, AA, stated that the side green area that needs to be maintained is 50 feet as it is 25 feet for each business so he can't do anything in that area and it goes all the way to the right of way. Chairman Chandler stated that the ordinance is strict and he needs to come to us before he does anything. Pelletier commented that the mound is an eye sore.

Erik Corbett, Trustee of Trust Funds, brought in a copy of the Trustee Times which states that HB 297 was signed by Governor Hassan May 27th. HB 297 is relative to the management of trust funds, capital reserve funds and library funds. The bill authorized the Trustees of Trust Fund to compensate banks, brokerage firms, trust companies and investment advisors for the management of capital reserve funds. As enabling legislation, each town and city must send this decision to the governing body for a vote. If the town meeting, town council or city council approves, investment managers may be compensated from the capital reserve funds income once a town votes to authorize Trustees to pay an investment advisor from the capital reserve fund income, the authority given to Trustees may not be rescinded for at least five years. Nothing in the enabling legislation requires or binds Trustees to hire or maintain professional assistance. Corbett inquired about how to put this on the town warrant. Chairman Chandler explained that the Selectmen can do this, however, he would like to discuss this when we have a full board and with the other trustees to see what everyone thinks. Chairman Chandler stated that we will be back in touch with him.

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

Meeting adjourned at 05:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Medeiros, Sec.