

Town of Bartlett Office of Selectmen

Meeting Minutes: December 3, 2018

Attendance: Chairman Gene Chandler, David Patch, Vicki Garland

Visitors: Darlene and Kevin McEnaney, John Smallcomb, Angela Huertas

Reporters: None

Meeting opened at 03:45 PM.

Selectman Garland made a motion at 03:45 PM to enter nonpublic session per the request of Police Chief Keaton for a personnel matter per NH RSA 91-A:3 II (c). Selectman Patch seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous. Selectman Garland made a motion at 04:10 PM to end the nonpublic session until later in the meeting. Selectman Patch seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous.

Town Clerk Cheryl Nealley swore in Bartlett's new full time police officer, Justin Washburn. He has been an officer for five years and will be starting work immediately.

Angela Huertas and Patsy Rogerson of the Saco River Ad Hoc Committee met with the Selectmen to see if there were any updates from FEMA on the Saco River projects. Chairman Chandler replied that we had received a site inspection report that they suggested that an area of 550 foot long by 60 foot wide and to be 1.5 foot deep be cleared from the Saco river. Chairman Chandler's opinion is that it is not enough and it is different from what we would like. The information has been forwarded to the town's engineer to obtain his opinion. Rogerson inquired about the trees and stumps to be taken out of the river. Chairman Chandler stated that he didn't know any more on that.

Doug Flippin (1RT016-201-L00) met with the Selectmen as he is looking at a parcel of land to put more storage units on that G.Tsoules (1RT16A-195-L00) owns. Flippin inquired if the subdivided lot would be considered a commercial lot. Selectman Patch stated that he can't create a subdivided lot as it has to have frontage on Route 302. Selectman Patch informed him that the lot is considered a planned unit development (PUD). Flippin replied, thanks that is all I needed to know.

Kevin McEnaney had two concerns: 1.) On the November 19th meeting minutes there was no mention of visitors. Lynn Jones, AA, stated that we don't have to include visitors on the minutes as we could have 50 people and we certainly wouldn't mention them all. These are public meetings not public hearings. 2.) McEnaney stated that there is a rumor going around that recyclables are being buried at the BJ transfer station. He realizes that there is a nation wide problem as China won't take plastic any more. Selectman Garland commented that it is a single stream. McEnaney commented that it is up to the Task Force, Environmentalist, and Water Specialists to protect mother earth as if stuff is buried it affects everyone. Chairman Chandler stated that it is not happening. Selectman Patch stated that we bail plastic now as we can get rid of it cheaper. Selectman Patch also mentioned that at this time we are making money on cardboard. Selectman Garland mentioned that Jackson Selectmen are proposing a pay as you throw system. You will buy your bags that you use to dispose of your rubbish. It is suppose to encourage patrons to reduce, reuse, and recycle. Chairman Chandler stated that he is not participating with pay as you throw as he feels people will throw everything into the bags. Selectman Garland mentioned that we will try to keep people updated on the web and that Amy Deshais of the Bartlett school is always looking for news items for her Bartlett column.

Selectman Patch made a motion at 4:40 PM to enter nonpublic session per NH RSA 91-A:3 II (e) to discuss a legal issue with the town's attorney. Selectman Garland seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous. Selectman Garland made a motion at 05:15 PM to end the nonpublic session. Selectman Patch seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous.

Selectman Garland made a motion at 05:20 PM to continue the nonpublic session with Chief Keaton for the personnel matter per NH RSA 91-A:3 II (c). Selectman Patch seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous. Selectman Garland made a motion at 05:45 PM to end the nonpublic session. Selectman Patch seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous.

Chairman Chandler said that in looking over the Bartlett Police Department Motor Vehicle Inventories and Towing policy he would like to have added that if a tow truck is called and or arrives at the scene the towing fee shall be paid by the owner of the vehicle, whether the vehicle is towed or not. Moving the vehicle prior to or at the time the tow truck arrives does not alleviate the vehicle owner or operator from paying the towing fee or whatever the towing firm is willing to accept for payment. Selectman Garland inquired if the vehicle was inventoried before or after towing. Chief Keaton stated before as he is trying to protect the police department as well as the tow truck driver.

Chairman Chandler is very upset that the cruiser was parked at the end of the handicap ramp on both Saturday and Sunday. It is a law that is in effect 24/7 and he would like to fire the officer. Chief Keaton replied that the officer is done at the end of the month.

Chief Keaton informed the Selectmen that he has spoken to our insurance company, Primex, about the radio that was destroyed in the cruiser accident. They requested him to obtain a letter from the person that examined the radio which he will do so we can get paid for it. The radio is valued around \$5,000.00. Selectman Garland commented that is more than the cruiser is worth.

The Selectmen signed checks, building permits and correspondence during the course of the meeting. There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 05:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Medeiros, Sec.