

Town of Bartlett Office of Selectmen

Meeting Minutes: 05-18-12

Attendance: Chairman Gene Chandler, Douglas Garland, David Patch

Reporters: None

Meeting opened at 08:35 AM.

Police Chief Timothy Connifey met with the Selectmen to discuss the following:

- 1.) He has completed the criminal background check for Janet Champlin and he would like to swear her in today as a part time police officer. The Selectmen reviewed her resume. Connifey brought her in to meet the Selectmen and a swearing in ceremony was done by Town Clerk, Leslie Mallett. Chairman Chandler requested that Connifey do some research and find out how many officers can the police department have on their roster before the Garcia rule takes affect and if part time officers are subject to this rule.
- 2.) Chief Connifey has applied for a radio grant from Homeland Security. The grant is for \$7200.00 which would be used to purchase two portable radios. Selectman Garland inquired if there were any strings attached to the grant. Chief Connifey replied, "No".
- 3.) Chief Connifey also informed the Selectmen that the new cruiser is here and needs to have the decals put on it which should be done in about two weeks. The cage from the old cruiser also needs to be refit into the new car.
- 4.) Officer Brandon Weckbacher has passed his final exam and is now a full time police officer for the department. He will be doing ride alongs until mid June with the field training officer before he is out on his own.
- 5.) Chairman Chandler mentioned that since Bear Notch Road is now open that he would like to see extra traffic patrol done in that area and in the village.

Road Agent, Travis Chick, discussed road projects he would like to get done his summer.

- 1.) The main one he would like to do is the back side of Cow Hill Road. He obtained a price from L. A. Drew to do 850' for \$50,000 which includes the removal and replacement of 6" of road surface. They would also coordinate when they come back to do the paving on the front side of Cow Hill Road to have the back side done at the same time. The total cost to do the back side would be about \$70,000. Selectman Garland commented that he won't be able to do much else this year as he only has \$100,000 in the Special Article. The Selectmen gave him the ok to proceed with this project.
- 2.) Chick stated that there are some rocks on Dundee Road and on Glen Ledge road that need to be taken care of as they are coming up through the pavement.
- 3.) Chick also mentioned that at the entrance to Jericho Road that it needs to be shimmed up and he would like to get a price from Pike to do this work when they are doing their work in that area. The Selectmen were ok with this. Selectman Garland inquired if Chick was happy with the culvert problem on Jinks Hill Road as the gentleman from the US Forest Service indicated that he was. Chick replied that he isn't satisfied as they don't seem to agree on where the water is coming from and the US Forest Service was suppose to look at this again. Chairman Chandler instructed Chick to call them to come revisit this problem.

Fire Chief, L. Patrick Roberts, met with the Selectmen to discuss the following:

1.) The 2012 application grant for a ladder truck opens up next week and he would like to submit his application again. Selectman Garland inquired what the matching funds were for this. Roberts stated that it is a grant for 95% and the town would be responsible for 5%. Selectman Garland inquired if we put our name in each year does this put us higher up on the list. Roberts stated not really as every year they are reviewed equally. The board supports moving forward with the application. Roberts inquired from Chairman Chandler if Bartlett could still be a potential donor town. Chairman Chandler stated that that possibility still exists. Roberts inquired from Chairman Chandler if there was anything that he knew of that would affect the tax rate for Bartlett. Chairman Chandler replied not that he knew of.

Roberts let the Selectmen know that he has been called for jury duty for the month of July.

Chairman Chandler inquired if the firefighter who was going to do repairs at the town hall and the fire stations was still interested in doing this as we have heard nothing from him. Roberts stated that he is interested and he will make contact with him to see what is going on.

Tom Jannuzzi, owner of Glen Junction Restaurant (2RT302-9-R00), had dropped off five sets of septic plans and he came in to follow up on this. Lynn Jones, AA, inquired as to why he gave us five plans as only three plans are needed to send to the State. We need three sets of plans along with the application for the State, a check for \$300.00 for the State and an addressed stamped envelope. Jannuzzi stated that he wanted a set of plans for himself and one for the workers. He would like the town to stamp them and he would hand deliver them to the State. Chairman Chandler stated that he needs to give us all the required paper work and we would mail it to the State. Jannuzzi replied that if we mail it it could go to anyone at the State and he has a specific person he has been dealing with that he wants to receive them. Jones, AA, stated that he could address the envelope to that person. Jannuzzi stated that he is trying to expedite the process and he is confident that it will get approval but he isn't sure if any small changes are needed and he would like to meet with them so he can communicate with them so as to keep moving forward. Chairman Chandler reminded him that we need an envelope, his State application, and a check for the State. Selectman Garland inquired as to how many bedrooms were at that location on the day that zoning was passed. Jannuzzi stated that no one really knows but according to the old property tax cards there were 16 bedrooms. Selectman Garland stated that no one knows what is in the ground now. Jannuzzi stated that is correct. Jannuzzi stated that it is working fine and he doesn't know why a replacement plan had to be done. Selectman Garland replied that it is required by the State. The Selectmen reviewed the plans. Jannuzzi inquired if he would be allowed to use the space while he waits to get the State approval. Selectman Garland inquired if he was using the space now. Jannuzzi stated that he wasn't. Chairman Chandler stated that the State may require him to put the new system in. Selectman Garland inquired if he has had his life safety inspection done. Jannuzzi replied that has been all set since December 2<sup>nd</sup>. Jannuzzi

stated that he is stuck in a rut and he admits he made a mistake by not getting the change of use permit but he is asking for some relief. Chairman Chandler inquired as to why it took six months for the septic system to be designed. Jannuzzi stated that it has been an issue with this being grandfathered property as there is a separate status for grandfathered property at the State. He is working to get established as grandfathered property. Selectman Garland inquired if he is working on getting 75% grandfathered or 100%. Jannuzzi replied 75%. Selectman Garland inquired if he needs the space on weekends or mid week. Jannuzzi stated that he is using the room only when needed. Selectman Garland inquired if we allowed weekend use would that help. Chairman Chandler inquired if the set up would take long. Jannuzzi replied that everything is there now and it is accessible and he is trying to expedite the process. Chairman Chandler stated that he doesn’t feel comfortable doing this until the State at least has the plans. Selectman Garland stated that he doesn’t want to see him lose the Memorial weekend. Selectman Patch suggested that a temporary permit be issued pending State approval. Selectman Patch and Selectman Garland agreed to allow the use of the room on weekends and holidays until a decision comes in from the State. Chairman Chandler was opposed.

Chairman Chandler and Selectman Patch placed a call to the town’s attorney to discuss a legal issue. (Selectman Garland stepped down for this call.)

The Selectmen will not be meeting on May 25<sup>th</sup>.

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

Meeting adjourned at 11:15 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Medeiros, Sec.