

Town of Bartlett Office of Selectmen
Meeting Minutes: August 10, 2012
Attendance: Chairman Gene Chandler, Douglas Garland, David Patch
Reporters: None

Meeting opened at 08:30 AM.

Sean Ford, General Manager of Nordic Village, met with the Selectmen in reference to animal issues. Ford appreciated the Selectmen's comments in the local paper and felt they did a good job at that. He wasn't crazy about it being on the front page but felt it was handled well by the Selectmen. Ford stated that they are having a lot of bears that are hanging around and wondered if the Selectmen had any suggestions. Chairman Chandler advised him that he should call Fish & Game. Selectman Garland inquired if he had bear proof dumpsters and if he does do people leave them open so that they can view the bears? Ford stated that they have installed combo pad locks but sometimes people just leave their trash beside the dumpster as they are too lazy to deal with the locks. They have a mother bear and four cubs that are constantly at the resort. Fish & Game has relocated some of the bears but there seems to be an extraordinary amount of bears this year. Ford inquired as to how does the town deal with the bears? Selectman Patch stated that we don't, we let the Fish & Game Department handle them. Ford stated that Fish & Game did shoot a yearling over by Linderhof and they believe it may be the same one that was causing most of the damage at Nordic Village. The problem is that Fish & Game are spread thin and by the time they arrive the bear is gone. Chairman Chandler suggested that perhaps if they put a picture of a dead bear in the units with a little note that says this is what happens when you feed bears it may deter people from feeding them. Ford stated that some people just don't understand even with the rabid fox. One woman was upset because they had to shoot the fox. Ford also mentioned that two of the bears that had been relocated to Pittsburgh actually found their way back.

Selectman Patch informed the others that he had checked into the disposal of tires for the pile of tires at the transfer station and the company he spoke to charges \$1.50 for car tires and \$6.00 for truck tires. They only do it for free when they get the rims, etc. as that is considered junk yard rate as they get the money for the rims. The company we have been dealing with, Northeast Resource Recovery Association (NRRA), charges \$110.00 a ton so it ends up being cheaper to stay with them.

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

- 1.) We have received 25 cots from Red Cross which brings our total up to 43. Along with the cots we received 15 blankets and comfort kits. Roberts would like to purchase some plastic totes to store the blankets in. Roberts will check out how many he needs and the costs of these totes. It was also agreed that they would put one dozen cots & blankets at the Bartlett Village Fire Station in case anyone should get cut off from the Glen Fire Station.
- 2.) He is working on a phone and a white board for the Glen Fire Station.
- 3.) Ladder truck 2 has developed a hydro leak in the turntable and it is estimated that it will cost somewhere between 3-6 thousand dollars to repair. Roberts has applied for a grant to obtain a new ladder truck and would like to hold off on any repairs until we hear back from the grant people. The Selectmen were fine with this.
- 4.) It is that time of the year again to host the Forest Fire Warden training meeting at the Glen Fire Station. The fire department will provide them with a spaghetti dinner. Roberts explained that each fire department takes a turn hosting the Wardens.

Chairman Chandler inquired if we were done with the repairs at the Glen Fire Station? Roberts stated that the rot has been fixed but there are still some other things that need to be repaired and he will provide a list to the Selectmen for them to review.

Lucas and Trevor Limmer (1DNDHI-14-R00) met with the Selectmen in reference to the letter they had received from them about their selling fire wood at their residence on Town Hall road. T. Limmer stated that they have stopped having logs brought in, but would like to know what they have to do to legalize the activity. Selectman Garland explained that they would have to submit a permit to the Selectmen, they

would deny it and then they would have to go to the Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA) for a special exception. L. Limmer inquired as to how long this process would take. Lynn Jones, AA, explained that they
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had to get on the agenda, and abutter notifications have to be sent out so it would be about a month. L. Limmer inquired if they could finish up the wood that they already have there. Selectman Garland stated that he thinks they could get permission to do that. T. Limmer stated that he thinks the neighbor who complained is confused as it is not them but Don Miller who saws wood up until 09:30 PM and on weekends. L. Limmer stated that they only do it mid day as a filler for them between doing their landscaping and Sunday is their only day off so they definitely don't do it that day. Lynn Jones, AA, gave them the permit application that they would need to start the process. T. Limmer inquired if the sign application could be part of the special exception or could they just put a sign on the side of their one ton truck. Selectman Garland cautioned them about off site advertising. Lynn Jones, AA, stated that the sign application should be submitted after they go to the ZBA, Selectmen can't approve a sign unless the use is permitted, and that the sign can not be larger than 16 square feet.

Police Chief Timothy Connifey dropped into the meeting to thank the Selectmen for stepping up to the plate and handling the rabid fox issue. He also informed the Selectmen that he had a copy of the police department's work schedule as well as a copy of the roster that lists the officers and their call numbers. Officer Cole is on the roster but is not available to work during the summer months. Officer Gove is on the roster basically as the firearms instructor for now but he is seeking employment in the southern part of the state since he now lives in Massachusetts. Connifey also stated that they have been dealing with a number of motor vehicle accidents lately.

The Selectmen placed a call to their attorney and discussed legal issues.

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

Meeting adjourned at 10:55 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Medeiros, Sec.