

Town of Bartlett Office of Selectmen  
Meeting Minutes: December 16, 2013  
Attendance: Douglas Garland, David Patch  
Reporters: None

Meeting opened at 03:30 PM.

Josephine Belville, Real Estate Appraiser for the NH Department of Revenue Administration, met with the Selectmen to see if they had any questions or problems concerning building permits. Selectman Garland stated no they haven't had anything that was complicated and there have been no new sub divisions. Belville inquired if the abatement issues had been resolved. Lynn Jones, AA, stated that most of them have been resolved and there is only one that is going to the Board of Tax and Land Appeals. Belville informed the Selectmen that it has been five years since the State assessment review has been done so that will be coming up in 2014. She will be checking all the assessing practices to make sure they are all within the law. She will be checking items such as land in current use, elderly exemptions, veteran's credits, etc. Belville stated that the Assessing Standards Board guidelines have now become regulations. Selectman Garland stated that we recently had our current use corrected and he believes we are in pretty good shape. Selectman Patch inquired if this was state boards who review the information Belville submits. Belville stated that it is and it is made up of a group of different people from around the state that will be looking to see that everything is being done by the law. Selectman Garland inquired if the Department of Revenue had come up with any guidelines for taxing the Fairpoint telephone poles. Belville replied no and it is all in the hands of the court. Jones, AA, inquired why the same guidelines for electric poles isn't used for the telephone poles. Belville stated that there is a State utility appraiser that does the electricity. Selectman Garland stated that the State has told us to tax Fairpoint but gave us no procedures to follow so they should be paying for the attorneys. Belville stated that they were tax exempt until 2011 and now it is in the hands of the court.

Police Chief Timothy Connifey met with the Selectmen about the traffic problems at Attitash Ski Area. He has a retired police officer who has expressed an interest in directing traffic. He would volunteer to do it if he can work something out with Attitash. He would need to use a police cruiser. Selectman Garland stated that we would need to check this out further as it could be a liability for the town if our cruiser is used while he is volunteering for Attitash. Connifey stated that we would outfit in appropriate clothes so that he is visible. Both Selectmen are concerned about the liability issue. Connifey stated that the other option is to make it a detail and have an officer do it but this gentleman has let his certifications lapse and would have to go to the part time police academy to be recertified before he could do details for the police department. Selectman Garland stated that we need to wait and see what the insurance company says.

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

Meeting adjourned at 05:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Medeiros, Sec.