

Town of Bartlett Office of Selectmen  
Meeting minutes: July 6, 2015  
Attendance: David Patch, Jonathan Hebert  
Absent: Chairman Gene Chandler  
Reporters: None

Meeting opened at 03:30 PM.

Family and friends joined Town Clerk Cheryl Nealley in a swearing in ceremony of Michael Chapman as a part time Bartlett Police Officer. Light refreshments were served.

Burr Phillips, Engineer of Civil Solutions, e-mailed a copy of the results of the site meeting held at the transfer station with Jackson road agent Jay Henry, Bartlett road agent Travis Chick and transfer station manager Jon Edgerly. The Selectmen reviewed the e-mail and will discuss this further when the full board is here.

The Selectmen reviewed an e-mail from the Town of Jackson Selectmen's office concerning the insuring of equipment at the transfer station. Ron O'Keefe, Risk Management manager of Property-Liability Trust stated that this could be done in a few ways. One entity can take complete control of the equipment. You would have to decide whether to just transfer ownership in lieu of reimbursement or work out some type of reimbursement for the specific share. You could divide the property up and each community places the equipment/vehicles on their schedule of property. Lynn Jones, AA, made a copy of the section of the BJ Transfer agreement that involves insurance and handed it out for the Selectmen to review. Lynn Jones, AA, stated that a list of what we have with whatever ID numbers we have along with who bought what and price needs to be obtained before we can proceed.

Inspector Andrew Chalmers of Chalmers Building Services who was representing Mr. and Mrs. DuVarney of 106 Highland Road (6SACOR-37-HR1) met with the Selectmen to discuss their new house building permit application. They have a state approval for a three bedroom home. They understand that they had the option to connect to a shared EDS (Effluent Disposal Area) but that made no sense for several reasons: the length of the run from the new proposed house would be functionally problematic, accessing the field would require cutting more of the remaining trees between the two lots, and finally there are several areas of ledge outcroppings exposed at the surface right where the pipe would run. Chalmers stated that he was aware that the Town was withholding submission to the State for the new septic design. It appears that this is being withheld because a real-estate flyer was discovered revealing that the other home already constructed in this PUD (planned unit development), exceeds the approved three bedroom design. He spoke to the English gentleman who owns this house and he confirmed that he isn't selling the house that he uses once a year. The flyer is actually for property on North Ledge. Chalmers stated that he can't verify the bedrooms as he hasn't been in the Hendrickson home. He has examined the flyer which has a pool and a three car garage and the Hendrickson's have a two car garage and no pool. Selectman Hebert

inquired if they have to go back to the planning board for the subdivision change. Lynn Jones, AA, stated that the purpose of the shared septic was so as not to obliterate the trees. Chalmers stated that the test pit has been done and the soil is good. He has spoken to Eric Thomas Engineer at the State that approved the original subdivision as well as he has spoken to the designer of the approved septic system Bob Tafuto of Ammonoosuc Survey and no one can see any issue with placing a separate septic system serving this new home. Selectman Hebert stated that it appears we no longer have a concern. Selectman Patch inquired if there was a potential that there would be two more lots. Lynn Jones, AA, replied no not anymore as there are only two lots on the PUD. Selectman Patch being on the Planning Board will keep them informed as to what has happened. The septic plan will be sent to the State. Chalmers mentioned that just before the PUD that the turn around is not maintained and he would like to know if it is ok, while they have the equipment there, to open up the area. They would also like to see if they can do something about the water running everywhere. Selectman Patch stated that we need to have the road agent take a look at this as we certainly don’t want to put more water to our area. Chalmers commented that they are just trying to be good neighbors. Selectmen will ask the Road Agent to contact Chalmers.

Dorothy Solomon, Board Chair of Starting Home Veteran’s Transitional Housing met with the Selectmen to ask them to write a letter of support to the Carroll County Delegation to convert the former Carroll County Nursing Home to Veterans housing. Solomon stated that Carroll County is the only one without a shelter for the homeless vets and there are about 40 of them. Selectman Hebert inquired as to where she got this figure from. Solomon stated that it was researched by another one of her board members. She would like to retrofit the old nursing home. She would start with the roof and Home Depot has agreed to donate the roofing materials. The home would be set up to house 17 veterans with staff to oversee them. Solomon mentioned that she has spoken to a local welfare officer who informed her that people who come in for assistance are not asked if they are veterans. Selectman Hebert inquired what the Delegation’s position is. Solomon replied that they had requested them to come up with a plan and money but the problem is that if they don’t formally give the building to her organization they can’t apply for the grant money. Solomon and others are working on obtaining signatures on a petition and have about 600 so far. Selectman Hebert asked if the facility would be for any homeless person or just vets. Solomon stated that it would be for vets as according to the State they are out there and most vets don’t go to shelters. The State does go to shelters and counts and they also consider a vet who is living with their parents when they should be on their own as homeless. Selectman Hebert inquired how the delegation felt about the tearing down of the building. Solomon stated that they have torn two wings down at the cost of \$527,000.00 and they want to tear two more down which seems like a senseless use of tax payers money. Solomon would like the letter of support to present to the August delegation meeting. Selectman Hebert stated that they will discuss this request with the full board. Solomon remarked that just saying “Thank You” to the vets for their service seems fruitless if it can’t be backed up.

Chairman Chandler telephoned and updated the other Selectmen as to what is happening concerning the Linderhof water/road project and what they are planning to do to each road.

Police Chief Janet Champlin stopped in to let the Selectmen know that Jackson Police Department had agreed to sell the level III-A ballistic Kevlar vest that Officer Chapman had worn when he worked for them to the Town of Bartlett for \$300.00. The Selectmen were fine with this. Selectman Patch mentioned that the other vests that our police officers are wearing need to be checked to see if they are up to code as they are only good for five years. Champlin will check that out. Champlin also mentioned that she has been able to outfit Chapman from the clothing we had on hand except for a couple of pair of pants. Chapman has his own gun and is qualified. Selectman Hebert inquired about the officers wearing hats. Champlin stated that they wear hats for funerals and other formal events and they wear baseball caps when they are doing details. Selectman Hebert feels they should be worn all the time as they present a command presence. Champlin explained that when an officer is on a stop she would prefer they keep their eyes on the subject and not be worrying about putting on a hat. She will however keep an open mind on the subject.

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

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 05:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Medeiros, Sec.