Town of Bartlett Office of Selectmen

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes: Monday, August 22, 2016

Attendance: Chairman Gene Chandler, David Patch, Jonathan Hebert

Visitors: None Reporters: None

Meeting opened at 03:35 PM.

Norman Head, President, and Philip Franklin, Secretary of the Bartlett Historical Society (BHS) met with the Selectmen to give them an update on the Bartlett Historical Society Museum (former Catholic Church). Franklin informed the Selectmen of the following:

1.) Lease with Bartlett School District was signed 2016.

2.) Building has been cleaned of all loose debris.

3.) Pews were removed for lead paint stripping. David Phaneuf will strip the 11 pews. He will keep 7 and bring 4 back into the building.

4.) Hazardous waste removal estimates received with the focus on asbestos removal, lead removal and mold removal. The estimated cost for this is \$52,000.00. No construction work is expected to start for several months as they would like to have the funds first before they start renovating.

5.) BHS has a building designer who is in the process of developing scale plans and elevations. The estimate for the renovations is \$450,000.00.

BHS is planning on doing fund raising in September. They will be doing a mass mailing as an introduction as well as asking for donations. BHS will meet with some people individually. BHS has three requests to make of the Selectmen: 1.) The BHS would like to set up informational tables at the town hall on the two upcoming election days. They would have booklets to hand out and be available to answer questions. 2.) They would like to display a flyer at the town hall. 3.) They would like to have the Selectmen develop a letter of support which states they understand the importance of and support the preservation of the town's history as this would help when they are trying to get grant money. Chairman Chandler inquired if they had contacted LCHIP (Land and Community Heritage Investment Program) to see what they may be able to do for the BHS. Franklin stated that they only award that once a year and you have to have so much money raised first which right now they can't meet those requirements. Chairman Chandler will check into this further. Selectman Hebert stated that he has no issues with any of their three requests. All of the Selectmen agreed they were fine with their requests. Franklin will get a draft letter off to the Selectmen to assist them for the support letter.

Police Chief Janet Champlin met with the Selectmen to inform them of the following:

1.)The department did receive a check from the court for \$2100.00 for minors in possession of alcohol

2.) The department is working on the crime front with Conway Police Department.

3.)There was a serious accident at the intersection of Town Hall Road and NH Route 16A. The road crew has moved the stop sign and trimmed the trees to make the sign more visible as people are not stopping at the intersection. Champlin would like to see another sign put up that says stop sign ahead. Selectman Hebert inquired how many accidents have we had at that location. Champlin replied that this one makes number five. 4.) Champlin and Sec. Rand have been working on updating the information on the Bartlett Police drug seizure banking account. There is a total of \$7,456.91 in the account. Champlin would like to purchase some equipment from the account which would include drug field test kits, a mountable camera for the lap top, battery charger for the flashlights, a battery surge protection system for the computer and \$466.00 for practice ammo as they have firearms qualification coming up. Champlin submitted purchase orders for the items which the Selectmen will review.

Selectman Hebert made a motion at 04:35 PM to enter nonpublic session per NH RSA91-A: 3 II (a) to discuss a personnel issue. Selectman Patch seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous. Selectman Hebert made a motion at 04:45 PM to end the nonpublic session and to seal the minutes. Selectman Patch seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous.

Lynn Jones, AA, stated that AVITAR (our assessors) would accept the \$5,000.00 down payment with the understanding that the balance would be subject to 2017 Town meeting approval and therefore, would not be received until next year on the property assessing contract. They had quoted two prices for the contract. One price was \$93,400 which doesn't include them doing the abatements and the other price was \$99, 400 which included them doing the abatements. Chairman Chandler stated that he didn't think we needed them to do the abatements as generally we are able to settle most of them ourselves. There may be about five that we would need them to do. Selectman Hebert stated that we should sign the contract and move forward.

The Selectmen decided to not meet on August 29<sup>th</sup>.

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

With there being no further business the Selectmen's meeting was adjourned at 05:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Medeiros, Sec.