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BOARD MEETING MINUTES
March 16, 2015

Present: Mrs. Silverman, Ms. Carney, and Mr. Holman.

7:00 p.m. Mrs. Silverman called the meeting to order.

PRIMARY:

*** **APPROVE MINUTES:**

*** **APPROVE MANIFESTS:**

*** **OCCUPANCY PERMIT:** 100 Dunton Rd. Ms. Carney made a motion to approve. Mr. Holman seconded. Approved 3-0. Mrs. Silverman yes, Mr. Holman yes, Ms. Carney yes

7:00 MEET WITH CHIEF DISALVO

NON-PUBLIC SESSION - EMPLOYEE EVALUATION(7:00 PM -7:43 PM)

At 7:00m, Mrs. Silverman made a motion to go into non-public session, Mr. Holman seconded and the motion passed 3-0. Roll Call vote: Mrs. Silverman – yes, Ms. Carney – yes, Mr. Holman – yes,

- **Discuss memo with regard to cruiser repairs:** Strictly cosmetic. Painting. 600.00. Mrs. Silverman made a motion to approve. Ms. Carney seconded. Approved 3-0. Mrs. Silverman –yes, Ms. Carney –yes, Mr. Holman –yes.

7:45 MEET WITH CONSERVATION COMMISSION: The Board and Conservation Commission reviewed the map. Mrs. Silverman stated that Ed Goodrich is booked up and asked what do we want to do. Mr. Kotila stated the the 12 to 13 acres are owned by the Talberts and the deed records do not reflect this. Mr. Kotila stated that the Talberts have paid taxes on these acres for 20 years and that the error in surveying record goes way back and the the lines now would have to be resurveyed. Mr. Kotila stated that the prime point is a recorded resolution. Mr. Brackett stated that a new boundary line would need to be created and that legally the town owns these acres. Mrs. Silverman stated that the Talberts have been paying taxes on these acres. Mr. Holman suggested offering the Talbert money for tax compensation. Mr. Kotila suggested a conservation easement and stated Talberts pay for a survey to establish a boundary marker. Ms. Carney stated that the next step is for the Board of Selectmen to meet with the Talberts and Mr. Goodrich and go from there. Mr. Holman stated that the Talberts should immediately be notified due to landscaping. Dorothy Zug stated that these acres are not near any landscaping.

Ann McBride, from Monadnock Conservancy reviewed baseline and conservation easement. Ms. McBride verified all board members for notary regulations. Board signed Document Condition of property and Conservation Easement Deed. Ms. McBride notarized signatures. Ms. McBride stated that this will be recorded tomorrow and that their Stewardship Director will compile entire baseline with recorded documents and send these official documents to the town in early April.

Mr. Holman asked for a meeting with the Conservation Commission and Mrs. Silverman stated taking this opportunity to engage the Conservation Commission for proposals stating objective is the right fit with the right person. Mr. Kotila asked the Board what is the timeline. Mr. Holman stated by the next few weeks. Mr. Holman discussed vernal pools and said the Jeff Littleton is not a scientist and that we will have to team up with a wetlands scientist. Mr. Kotila stated that it is not designed for vernal pools. Mrs. Silverman stated that vernal pools could be added on and that this will be a year and a half project. Mr. Holman stated to keep in mind that the State will be making changes and the end of 2016 which will be updating Wetland Regulations and that this could change the concept of surveying. Mrs. Silverman stated that nothing goes forward until next town meeting. Mr. Lindquist stated that education needs to be

done beforehand otherwise property owners may feel that this is infringing. Dorothy Zug stated that we already have regulations. Mrs. Silverman stated Laurel Lake is a prime wetland that it needs to be protected. Mrs. Silverman discussed mapping and designating prime wetlands and stated that it is not official until the town votes to adopt it. Mrs. Silverman discussed the importance of getting the information out to property owners and a regular basis and stated that the Conservation Commission may be able to put out information on the new town website. Mr. Kotila stated putting information also in the town newsletter. Barbara Green stated the need for one good definition of Prime Wetlands. Mr. Kotila stated surveying, evaluate, then defining. Mrs. Green stated that the town has a Natural Resource publication. Ms. Zug asked if the Selectmen were interested in managing this project. Mrs. Silverman stated that the Selectmen will work in tandem with the Conservation Commission to help them succeed.

Mrs. Silverman suggested putting a call out for people who may also want to work on this project and maybe a liaison with Emerson School.

Mr. Holman stated that he had attended a wetlands seminar and asked for recommendations from the Conservation Commission for designating scenic roads and also asked the Conservation Commission about the possibility of a pollinator garden by the Fitzwilliam Town sign. Mr. Holman asked about easement for farmlands. Mr. Kotila stated Tracy's farm. Ms. Zug stated that the inventory lists prime agricultural land. Mr. Holman discussed wood being brought into town and the possibility of ash borer and spoke of two NH canties in quarantine and stated the need for education and help with best practices for town owned land. Mr. Holman discussed pre and post water testing and encourage a water baseline.

The Board and Conservation Commission discussed the inaccuracies of information for the Conservation Commission in the Town Report.

- **BUILDING PERMIT:** Mr. Holman made a motion to accept. Ms. Carney seconded. Approved. 3-0. Mrs. Silverman –yes, Ms. Carney –yes, Mr. Holman –yes.

*** **LAND USE REQUEST TO ATTEND TRAINING:** Board discussed importance for Training for GIS. Mrs. Silverman made a motion to approve. Homan seconded. Approved 3-0.

*** **DECIDE ON ACCEPTANCE OF LATE FILING OF ABATEMENT APPLICATION :**
At 8:45pm, Mrs. Silverman made a motion to go into non-public session, Mr. Holman seconded and the motion passed 3-0. Roll Call vote: Mrs. Silverman – yes, Ms. Carney – yes, Mr. Holman – yes,

*** **REVIEW REQUEST TO RESTORE PROPETIES TO PRE-MERGER STATUS:** Board reviewed and discussed the merger. Ms. Carney made a motion to accept. Mr. Holman seconded. 3-0. . Mrs. Silverman –yes, Ms. Carney –yes, Mr. Holman – yes.

*** **LETTER FROM RECREATON COMMISSION**
Re: Mom's Group

- **Tai Chi** Board discussed the idea. Mrs. Silverman made a motion to accept. Ms. Carney seconded. Approved 3-0. Mrs. Silverman –yes, Ms. Carney –yes, Mr. Holman –yes.

*** **TOWN COMMON RENTAL APPLICATION;** Board reviewed the application. Mr. Holman made a motion to approve. Ms. Carney seconded. 3-0. Mrs. Silverman –yes, Ms. Carney –yes, Mr. Holman –yes.

*** **PIPELINE – DOCKET #PF14-22-000**

- **Letter from Attorney Cunningham**
- **Letter from NH Municipal Pipeline Coalition**

Mr. Holman stated that the board needs to support the Planning Board and that the Selectmen could make suggestions. Ms. Carney stated that the pipeline does not have to follow town regulations. Mrs. Silverman stated Jennifer Hogan submitted updated information. Mrs. Silverman said that she will attend a meeting in Brookline on Wednesday about the pipeline and possibly being part of the coalition. Ms. Carney and Mr. Holman discussed Eversource resubmitting the paperwork with the name Eversource. Mr. Holman stated having companies paying for pre and post testing and having a finger on septic as well and that he would like to see some policies.

*** **MEMO FROM BRUCE VAAL**
Re: Church Street:

*** **NEW WEBSITE:** Board reviewed website ideas, position of pictures, calendars, banners, headers, type of navigation, placement of contact information and hours. Board discussed the departments that will be on the website. Board discussed pictures for the website.

*** **DISCUSS SPRING CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE GRANITE STATE DESIGNERS & INSTALLERS**

ASSOCIATION: Mrs. Silverman stated Septic installation is a State approval process. Mr. Holman stated the class is not just septic and that it is the whole water and managing west water system. Mrs. Silverman stated she does not see the justification of Mr. Holman attending this conference. (Mr. Holman stated that it provides a community need, it provides water, meaningful management, public involvement, overcoming opposition. Mr. Holman stated it is applicable to what we are doing. Mrs. Silverman stated that the header states designers and installers of septic systems). Mr. Holman stated they are the host. Mr. Holman stated the only course that was not applicable was the course on how to make your money. Mr. Holman discussed a rotating pumping program. Mrs. Silverman stated that in the future Mr. Holman needs to put in the request beforehand and not after.

NEWLETTER ARTICLES

Sign Ordinance, Building permit : Board reviewed and discussed information for submission for the April newsletter.

- *** **DISCUSS BOARD OF SELECTMEN CHAIRMANSHIP:** Mrs. Silverman nominated Ms. Carney to chair. Mr. Holman seconded. Approved 3-0. Mrs. Silverman –yes, Ms. Carney –yes, Mr. Holman –yes.

DISCUSS EMPLOYMENT INTERVIEWS:

At 9:27pm, Mrs. Silverman made a motion to go into non-public session, Mr. Holman seconded and the motion passed 3-0. Roll Call vote: Mrs. Silverman – yes, Ms. Carney – yes, Mr. Holman – yes,

REVIEW:

VARIOUS COMMITTEE MINUTES

UPDATES

**LEGISLATIVE UPDATE FROM ANDY SANBORN
STATE OF NH BRIDGE INSPECTIONS
ECONOMIC SIGN
LETTER FROM CITY OF KEENE
Re: legislative Delegation meeting March 30, 2015
CHESHIRE COUNTY PROPOSED EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE BUDGET
REVIEW LETTER FROM PLANNING BOARD - Eversource
REVIEW ESTIMATE FOR HOUSE CLEAN UP**

10:04 Mrs. Silverman motion to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Carney seconded.

Respectfully submitted by,

Mrs. Silverman, Chair

Donna Hill

Ms. Carney

Mr. Holman
Board of Selectmen