

Minutes of the Selectmen's Meeting September 25, 2018

Members Present: Lynn Sweet, Chairman, Bryant Scott and Scott Young
In attendance: Atty. Liz Nolin, Michael D' Andrea

The Selectmen's Meeting was called to order at 5:30PM.

The Selectmen reviewed and approved payment of payroll and bills. Minutes from the August 28th and September 10th meeting were read and approved. The Selectmen reviewed and signed an Intent to Cut for which the requested bond has been posted.

The Selectmen discussed the establishment of fines for violations of the sign ordinance in Section 1.3.8 of the Zoning and Land Use Ordinances and procedure for enforcement. Fines had not been previously set and enforcement procedures were not clearly defined; the ordinance gives the Selectmen authority to establish fines for violations. It was recommended that the Police Department contact violators by certified mail, including a copy of the ordinance, giving violators 10 days to remove the sign(s). Failure to comply within 10 days from the receipt of the certified letter will result in a fine of \$100. Additional fines in increments of \$100. will be levied for continued violation. A motion to accept this procedure for enforcement and accompanying fines was made by Selectman Sweet and seconded by Selectman Young.

A vote was taken: Lynn Sweet – Aye, Bryant Scott – Aye, Scott Young – Aye

The Selectmen's Office will contact nearby towns to for additional information concerning enforcement procedure.

Board members reviewed correspondence from Tyler Crabtree with suggestions for the renaming of Dillon Drive. The Selectmen's Office will be in contact with him.

Michael D' Andrea was in attendance to discuss with the Board members the process for building on a Class VI road. He is interested in a purchasing particular piece of land and would like some direction about how he might be able to build on it. The Selectmen recommended that he meet informally with the Planning Board at their October 4th meeting; he will need to make a formal proposal should he decide to purchase the property. They explained the Class VI road release which will need to be in order should he move forward with his plans. Selectman Sweet confirmed with the Planning Board secretary that he would be able to attend the Oct 4th meeting. They suggested several things he might want to consider in making his proposal to the Planning Board and in a purchase/sale agreement.

Board members briefly reviewed the status of departmental budgets.

Dan Howard was congratulated on being chosen as the new assistant Building Inspector. He brought forward a complaint he had received regarding a dysfunctional septic system. Board members directed him to contact Fire Chief/Health Officer Scott Whitehouse.

Attorney Liz Nolin, representing Clear Creek, was in attendance to discuss with the Selectmen concerns she and her client Clear Creek Builders have with recent Planning Board actions. Board members listened attentively as she addressed those specific concerns and remedial action that she and her client desire; she also commented on future actions that might be taken. Because the Town has sought legal counsel from the Town attorney concerning the matter, Board members were generally unable to address her concerns. They did suggest that Ms. Nolin and the Town attorney work together to resolve this. She presented the Board members with a letter detailing the concerns and proposed remedial action. Ms. Nolin also referenced a similar letter that was sent to the Planning Board.

It was later suggested that the Planning Board have a work session with Town Attorney Steven Whitley.

There being no further business to bring before the Board, it was moved and seconded to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:04PM.