

Town of Bartlett Office of Selectmen

Meeting Minutes: February 15, 2008

Attendance: Chairman Gene Chandler, Douglas Garland, Jon Tanguay

Reporters: None

Meeting opened at 08:30 AM.

Lynn Jones, AA, and the Selectmen reviewed and finalized the Selectmen's report for the Town Report.

The budget hearing continued from 02/11/08 was opened at 09:00 AM and had no attendees. Selectmen agreed to go forward with budget and warrant as presented.

Engineer Burr Phillips presented a conceptual plan for a public works facility for the Town of Jackson at the Bartlett Jackson Transfer Station. Phillips explained that the Topo is ok, the soil is reasonable, and there are no wetlands for at least 150 – 200'. Selectman Tanguay inquired where the property line is. Chairman Chandler stated that there is over 100 acres but a lot of that is unusable. Phillips replied that this would be about two acres of land. Selectman Garland inquired that since they are working off a bench mark of 500', would the ridgeline be an issue. Phillips stated that with grading, set backs, etc. he doesn't think they will be visible from Route 16. Selectman Tanguay inquired about the gate. Phillips suggested that perhaps the gate could be moved up further or a mechanical gate installed. Chairman Chandler asked about the maintenance of the road as the road would have twice as much traffic on it. Phillips believes that the Town of Jackson will take care of the road. Phillips stated that it appears the Bartlett Selectmen are reluctant to put the garage on the property. Chairman Chandler replied that there are a lot of unanswered questions such as how did they arrive at the price of \$50,000. Phillips stated that it was the cost to build an access road to a proposed public works garage at the Gray's Inn site, but they could have it appraised. Selectman Garland believes that the price should have been explored and shouldn't have been put in the warrant article until that was done. Phillips inquired if someone could amend the article on the floor at town meeting. Chairman Chandler replied yes that could be done. Selectman Tanguay inquired about seepage of salt into the environment. Phillips stated that the State requires that they be 50' from wetlands and the wetlands will be at least 150' away. Chairman Chandler inquired about the

fuel tank. Phillips stated that all storage/containment systems would be designed complying with the latest State regulations. Selectman Garland inquired as to the dimensions of the salt shed. Phillips replied that it would be 70'x75'. Selectman Garland inquired if that was a good size to allow them to work inside. Phillips stated yes. Selectman Garland also mentioned that the building height limit may also be an issue as the maximum building height can not be more than 38 feet representing the vertical distance from the lowest point of finished ground level adjoining the building to the highest point of any roof. Selectman Tanguay stated that we just don't have all the facts including how much of an increase in traffic this will be with big salt trucks, etc so this could be a big traffic issue. Chairman Chandler mentioned that we don't know what will happen in 20 years and if they take the best piece of land, where would we expand to as there is very little good land there. Phillips inquired if the garage/salt shed is something that is entertainable or should Jackson move on. Chairman Chandler feels that this will set the relationship between Bartlett and Jackson back about 20 years. Selectman Garland mentioned that it would probably stand a better chance if this was of dual use.

Selectman Tanguay made a motion at 10:30 AM to enter nonpublic session to discuss a request for aid according to RSA 91-A: 3 (c). Selectman Garland seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Chairman Chandler made a motion at 11:00 AM to end the nonpublic session. Selectman Garland seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Meeting adjourned at 11:15AM

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Medeiros, Sec.