

Town of Bartlett Office of Selectmen

Meeting Minutes: July 18, 2008

Attendance: Chairman Gene Chandler, Douglas Garland, Jon Tanguay

Reporters: None

Meeting opened at 08:30 AM.

Henry Spencer, who is a candidate for County Commissioner; representing the 3rd district, stopped by to introduce himself to the Selectmen. Spencer feels that at the present time there is little outreach into the community and if he is elected he plans on stopping into each town from time to time to get each towns input as county government is the filtering of gathered information to take to Concord. Spencer wants to be responsive to the community and if he sees a problem he would like to work it out. He stated that there are a couple of processes he would like to make minor changes to but no big shake ups. One of his concerns is the dealing with situations as they come up; for example the recent issues of credit card usage and purchasing of suits. He would like to have something put in place so you would know what to do if the situation came up again.

Olive Dubois (Branch Manager) and Sue Hunt (Vice President, Municipal/Commercial Officer) of the Northway Bank presented pamphlets for the Selectmen to review in reference to what the Northway Bank has to offer the Town. Dubois stated that they would love to have the Town's deposits and they are looking for three months bank statements. Hunt explained that they could do a cost analysis to see what they could do for the town if they had the bank statements. Dubois went on to explain that they have what they call remote deposits done by a scanner at the town office which goes directly to the bank. Selectman Garland inquired if there is a cost for this. Dubois stated that the monthly fee depends on how many checks are written. Chairman Chandler explained that their biggest problems are the location of the bank, we don't pay any fees now, and we have cash deposits. Lynn Jones, AA, explained that we have what is called a super sweep account where the various accounts are pooled but kept separate to get the maximum interest. Chairman Chandler stated that the Selectmen will speak to the Treasurer and that we would forward three months bank statements to the Northway Bank.

Mark Linehan (2RT302-196-L00) reported to the Selectmen that he had been to the planning board on July 15th and they had approved a waiver to the town street regulation that eliminates the requirement for a hammerhead at the end of the short dead-end road accessing his property. The planning board did put a condition on the waiver that the Fire Chief should visit the site and confirm that adequate access for emergency vehicles will be provided. The Fire Chief on July 17th did inspect the property and recommended that the enhancement of the driveway that Linehan had marked out in orange paint needs to be done to allow the fire apparatus to be able to turn around on the site. Chairman Chandler stated that they would approve the building permit but that there would be a stipulation on it that the enhancement needs to be done before a permit to occupy would be issued. Selectman Garland inquired as to when Linehan is planning on enhancing the driveway. Linehan replied when he builds the house. Selectman Garland reminded him again that before the permit to occupy was issued he would have to have the enhancement done.

Selectmen agreed to go forward with using the inspection request sheet for use by the Fire Chief. Selectman Tanguay will add three lines for signatures and will notify the Fire Chief that we are using it. Those requests received by Thursdays will be reviewed on Fridays.

The Selectmen discussed borrowing of money and they decided to borrow more money and keep money in the certificate for deposit for now since the Town is receiving more on the deposit than the cost to borrow.

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

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Medeiros, Sec.