

Town of Bartlett Office of Selectmen

Meeting Minutes: August 21, 2009

Attendance: Chairman Gene Chandler, Douglas Garland, Jon Tanguay

Reporters: None

Meeting opened at 08:30 AM

Annette Libby, Bartlett Recreation Director, brought in job applications for the Selectmen to review in reference to hiring an assistant director.

Applications were reviewed and Christine Legendre was chosen pending a criminal background check being done. Libby would like to have her start on August 31st and to introduce her to the school staff at the staff meeting on Tuesday, September 1st. The Selectmen were ok with this but she is not to start working with children around until the background check has been completed.

Libby inquired if the Selectmen had any questions/concerns for her.

Chairman Chandler replied that there is an issue of Libby having the town highway department move rocks at the Blackfly ball field without the Selectmen being asked first. Libby stated that she had spoken to Selectman Tanguay and he was the one who mentioned to her that she might want to ask the highway department to do this. She had telephoned the road agent, Travis Chick, and asked him if when he had a spare moment if he could move the rocks for her. She wasn't aware that he hadn't spoken to the Selectmen. Annette Libby's husband, Steven, met with the Selectmen and showed them a map of Blackfly ball field. He has done a lot of research into the history of the field and explained the map to the Selectmen. Selectman Tanguay thanked Steven for all his hard work that he has put into this project.

Donna Dawson (1TOWNH-70-L00) met with the Selectmen to discuss her concerns with the littering that is happening at the Flat Rock Conservation Area on Town Hall Road. Dawson stated that people are walking their dogs and not cleaning up after them, there are beer cans, soda cans, diapers, etc. being left behind. She would like to see no parking signs put up as where they park is on a curve in the road. Selectman Garland stated that whoever owns the property should post restrictions but parking on the road the Selectmen can address. Chairman Chandler replied that the Selectmen will speak to Timothy Connifey, Police Chief, about the parking issue. Selectman Tanguay stated that we need to find out who owns the property. (After the Selectmen's meeting Selectman Tanguay drove up to Flat Rocks and there is

a sign there that states it is owned by the Lower Bartlett Water Precinct and at 11:55 AM there was no litter).

Police Chief Timothy Connifey brought in an invoice from AAA Police Supply of Dedham, Ma for ammo that he purchased from them for Special Officer Justin Ross to use at the police academy. Connifey explained that he needed the ammo right away and purchased it without a purchase order but he had looked around and this was the cheapest place to purchase the ammo. Connifey also mentioned that he has had the tires switched out on the cruisers as he is trying to make them last as long as possible. The Selectmen were ok with all this.

Joyce McKay, Cultural Resources Manager, Bureau of Environment/ Department of Transportation, telephoned the Selectmen in reference to obtaining a letter of support from the Selectmen in reference to the Bartlett Roundhouse grant proposal that she is writing up. The Department of Transportation is submitting a Transportation Enhancement grant proposal to request funds for interior structural framing repair, repair of the clapboards and doors, painting, and placement of a permanent roof on the building and she would like to add the letter of support to the grant request. The Selectmen agreed to write the letter.

Chairman Chandler made a motion at 10:30 AM to enter nonpublic session to discuss a request for aid under NH RSA 91-A: 3 II (c). Selectman Garland seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Selectman Tanguay made a motion at 10:50 AM to end the nonpublic session and to seal the minutes. Selectman Garland seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Bill Duggan (5VILLG-MAI-510) stopped by to inquire as to who is in charge of the trash at Bartlett Beach /Big Rock as it is a real mess with four barrels full of trash. Selectman Garland stated that Bill Fabrizio used to take care of it and bill the town but we don't know what has happened to the one who took over his business. Duggan replied that it is a sanitation issue and he wondered why the town couldn't pick up the trash each week. Chairman Chandler replied that may be costly. Duggan stated that the Town has to be supportive of the public beach. Selectman Tanguay inquired if Duggan would care to volunteer to pick up the trash. Duggan replied "no".

Selectman Garland mentioned that he would like to see a carry in and carry out policy posted. Selectman Tanguay replied that from his days of working for the U. S. Forest Service he found that people will then throw their items behind a tree. Selectman Tanguay volunteered to go pick up the trash after the Selectmen's meeting. The Selectmen will check with the new owner of Fabrizio's business to see what the cost would be to have the trash picked up on a regular basis.

Bill Duggan questioned the width of School Street. Chairman Chandler stated that when the Bartlett Water project was put in they needed to know the right of way on the streets in Bartlett Village. This was advertised and a public meeting was held in accordance with the law. Duggan replied that he is asking for an adjustment of the right of way as he would like to put a stone wall up at 14 ½' and this won't interfere with the town road crew. Selectman Tanguay inquired what his objective was. Duggan stated that the corner is a cluster every day and a safety issue and he could control this somewhat as then people couldn't park there as buses can't turn when cars are parked there. He would like to install a landscape retaining wall as the lot is only so big. Selectman Tanguay inquired if "No Parking" signs could be posted. Duggan stated that he is trying to improve the village. Selectman Garland stated that we can't just give him two feet of land. Selectman Tanguay inquired about the front of the lot. Duggan replied that he has spoken to the State and as long as he stays inside the sidewalk he is ok. Chairman Chandler stated that you can't build in the right of way and we can't do anything about it. Selectman Garland stated that we just didn't draw on the map, it was done with dimensions. Duggan replied dimension of right of way; he is looking for two feet of land. The Selectmen and Duggan reviewed the map. Selectman Garland mentioned that the land was already gone before Duggan purchased the property. Selectman Tanguay stated that you can mow to the edge of the road but that doesn't mean you can build in the right of way. Duggan stated that he is looking for who set the distance. Selectman Garland stated that the distance depends on the road size and it does jog in places. Duggan inquired if the map was recorded. Selectman Garland reminded him that there was a public hearing. Chairman Chandler stated that the map established the right of way and he shouldn't look at it as loosing land. Duggan stated that he was going to have to challenge it. Chairman Chandler replied that we have no leeway. Duggan stated that the numbers don't coincide. Selectman Garland inquired if Duggan wanted the town to take the two feet from the school side to give him two feet on his

side. Duggan became upset and stated that he was trying to help the village of Bartlett and all he was asking for was two feet and no one will help out and he can’t get any where. Selectman Tanguay inquired if he had spoken to the Bartlett Village Water Precinct. Duggan replied yes he has met with them. Duggan feels that he is getting a lousy deal as he has spent 30 years fixing and improving Bartlett and he will now start digging thru deeds.

Chairman Chandler informed the Board that he will not be at the August 28th meeting and Selectman Tanguay stated he would not be at the September 18th meeting.

The Selectmen requested that Brenda Medeiros, Sec. check with the Jackson Selectmen to see if they would be available to meet for a solid waste facility meeting on September 3rd at 03:00 PM.

The Selectmen reviewed correspondence, building permits, signed letters and checks prior to and throughout the meeting. The Selectmen also telephoned the town attorney to discuss a pending court case.

Meeting adjourned at

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Medeiros, Sec.