

BRENTWOOD BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
MINUTES OF 9/2/08

Convened: 6:30 p.m.  
Present: David Menter  
Kevin Johnston  
Jeffrey Bryan  
Andrew Artimovich  
George Waldron

The Board met and reviewed payroll, accounts payable, and signed the register. The Board reviewed and signed the recreation register.

Jonathan Ellis was in to present the weekly Treasurer's report.

Russell Swasey, Acting Building Inspector, was in with the following permits which the Selectmen signed:

- David Claar of 32 Northrup Drive to complete a garage. A foundation is already in as Claar did receive a foundation permit a couple years ago.
- Janice LeBlanc of 61 Crawley Falls Road to construct a small porch.

Waldron made a motion, seconded by Bryan to accept the minutes of the 8/19/08 meeting as written. Johnston, Bryan, & Waldron voted in favor; Menter and Artimovich abstained as they were not present for the meeting. Bryan made a motion, seconded by Waldron, to accept the minutes of the Non-Public Session of 8/19/08. Johnston, Bryan, & Waldron voted in favor; Menter and Artimovich abstained.

The Board reviewed the notes:

- The Selectmen set an October 3<sup>rd</sup> deadline for Department Heads to submit employee evaluations.
- The Board would like Russ Swasey to check the handicap ramp that was built inside the fire hall to see if it meets code.
- Donna Vadeboncoeur inquired if the Fire Station is considered a private building or public. After some discussion, the Selectmen agreed that it is a public building.
- The Board reviewed a written request by Carla Haase to have the interest charges on her mother's, Marjorie Haase, property taxes waived. The Selectmen again decided not to waive the interest as they do not want to set a precedent for others. Julie will send Ms. Haase a letter of explanation.
- The Selectmen reviewed Executive Order #1-88 that was adopted in 1988 which prohibits parking on the easterly side of Crawley Falls Road from Rte 111A to Ole Gordon Road and decided they would like to have it enforced. Wayne Robinson, road agent, was asked to erect "No Parking" signs.
- Cricket is requesting that a Selectman join her in inspecting a nut-bearing tree that has had its roots exposed by Granite Creek Nursery. The Board will take the request under advisement.

- Julie shared with the Board the information from Elyse Seeley regarding Brentwood coverage by the Exeter Newsletter. There will be a “blog” site established for submissions and information regarding Brentwood.
- In response to a complaint from a Washington St. resident, the Selectmen’s Office will try to contact the Mortgage Company that has taken ownership of a vacant neighboring home that has a stagnant swimming pool and express concern about mosquito-born illness.
- Question was raised regarding Mr. Musso’s right to prohibit the public from enjoying the river area that runs along the Fireman’s Association parcel for recreational purposes. The Board agreed Mr. Musso has no right to do so.
- Artimovich made a motion to release \$3,346.85 from the Recreation Impact Fees for the installation of the irrigation system at the BCC. Motion was seconded by Johnston; all voted in favor.
- Due to the NH State Primary Elections, next week’s meeting will take place at the Community Center at 6:00 p.m.

At 7:05 p.m., Menter opened the Public Hearing for the acceptance of Sherry Circle and the remainder of Homestead Lane as Town roads. The Board reviewed the associated deed that will get recorded at the registry. There were no public comments or questions. Johnston made a motion to accept the above mentioned as Town roads. Following a second by Artimovich; Menter, Johnston, Artimovich, and Waldron voted in favor. Bryan abstained.

Menter then opened the Public Hearing for the Town’s adoption of the Hazard Mitigation Plan. The Selectmen reviewed the plan and discussed its development and purpose. There was no public comment or question. Johnston made a motion, seconded by Artimovich, to sign the certificate of adoption of the Hazard Mitigation Plan. All voted in favor and the document was signed.

Mr. Dorsett of 8 Rousseau Lane was present in hopes that the Selectmen would sign a letter regarding his noncompliant septic system. He recently learned through a home inspection that a replacement system that was installed in April 2003 only meets the requirements for a 2 bedroom home and not a 4 bedroom as was originally installed in 1999. Charlie Currier of RCCD met with Julie last week regarding Mr. Dorsett’s problem and recommended the Board send Mr. Dorsett a letter requiring the septic system be corrected. Julie drafted a letter which the Board signed. In addition, Currier recommends the Board send a formal complaint against the installer to the DES. Bryan made a motion to file a complaint with the DES. Motion was seconded by Artimovich; all voted in favor. Julie will draft a letter for the Selectmen to sign at next week’s meeting.

The Board voted on and signed the following:

- Waldron made a motion to sign a Special Permit to Construct a Sewage Disposal System for Kate Parks of 162 Middle Road. The permit has already been signed by Health Officer Dr. Reiner. Bryan seconded the motion. All voted in favor and Menter signed the permit.

- A review of the records for property tax exemptions and credits was recently conducted and it was discovered that there are 4 properties erroneously receiving exemptions and credits:
  1. Mr. Hermon Winch of 206 Pickpocket Road recently separated his property into 2 parcels to agree with his deed. The \$1,700 special veteran's exemption that was on the original parcel (213.029.000) has been carried over onto the second parcel as well (213.029.001). He is only allowed to have the exemption for his primary residence and therefore it should be removed from the secondary parcel (213.029.001). Bryan made a motion, seconded by Artimovich, to remove the exemption from the 1 parcel. Menter, Bryan, Artimovich, and Waldron voted in favor; Johnston recused himself. The 4 members who voted in favor signed a letter to Mr. Winch explaining the situation and that the exemption will be removed.
  2. Michael Francis of 53 Abbey Road purchased his condo in November of 2007. The \$400 veteran's credit belonging to the prior owner did not get removed from the parcel at the time of transfer. Bryan made a motion to authorize the removal of the \$400 credit from 202.004.000.0053. The motion was seconded by Waldron. All voted in favor and signed a letter to the property owner.
  3. The property at 31 Ole Gordon Road transferred from Carl Reigart to Lynne Williams on March 31, 2008. Reigart was approved for and received a \$400 veteran's credit which did not get removed at the time of transfer. Artimovich made a motion, seconded by Bryan, to remove the credit from 218.018.000. All voted in favor and signed a letter to Lynne Williams.
  4. Mark Sughrue purchased a home from Diane Weber in June 2008 located at 21 Peabody Drive. Normally any property transfers that take place after April 1<sup>st</sup> are eligible to retain any exemption/credit associated with that parcel for the tax year. However, it was discovered that the previous owner had been erroneously receiving a \$400 veteran's credit since 2005 and therefore it should be removed from Sughrue. Bryan made a motion to authorize the removal of the \$400 credit from 221.005.000. Motion was seconded by Artimovich; all voted in favor and signed a letter to the owner.

Wayne Robinson, road agent, was in to discuss personnel issues and requested the Board go into nonpublic session. A motion was made by Artimovich, and seconded by Johnston, to go into nonpublic session per RSA 91-A:3, II(a). Menter, Johnston, Bryan, Artimovich, and Waldron voted in favor.

The public meeting continued following a motion from Bryan, seconded by Waldron, to close non-public session and seal the minutes; Menter, Johnston, Bryan, and Waldron voted in favor. Artimovich had recused himself from the non-public meeting.

Robinson reported that the Highway department received 1309 tons of sand at \$11.20/ton. Robinson also said that he recently met with Debbie Briscoe of the trails

committee to discuss how the highway department could help with the reconstruction of the Haigh Trail bridge. Robinson explained that Haigh Road would need a lot of work before they would be able to drive the necessary equipment in there. The work could involve over a week's time. The Board expressed concern about opening up the road so much and making it easily accessible to other vehicles. They asked that Robinson double check with Briscoe to get her feelings on the subject. Lastly, Robinson discussed the budget for roadside mowing. He is not sure there is enough budgeted to cover the expense. Bryan pointed out that there are other lines within the highway budget that could be used to offset any overage. The Board told Robinson he can go ahead with the roadside mowing.

Robinson, as police chief, then asked if the New England Dragway could stay open an extra hour this weekend as they have Nationals. The Board said yes as long as it doesn't extend beyond that.

At 8:30 p.m., Bryan made a motion to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Artimovich, all voted in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Stevens