

Town of Bartlett Office of Selectmen

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes: 06-27-16

Attendance: Chairman Gene Chandler, David Patch, Jonathan Hebert

Visitors: Ray Mitchell (arrived at 04:00 PM), Brian Benoit

Reporters: None

Meeting opened at 03:35 PM.

Chairman Chandler stepped down from the Board since he is an abutter:

Roger Lemay (RT302-285-L00) was asked if he had brought in the requested second driveway permit from the State. Lemay stated that the State told him that the Town can't deny him a third house on the driveway. Selectman Patch explained that the Bartlett Zoning Ordinance only allows two houses on a driveway and the Selectmen have to enforce the zoning ordinance. Lemay commented that he has an approved subdivision. Selectman Hebert clarified that we haven't denied him anything we have just requested more information. Lynn Jones, AA, presented a state letter which clearly states that it is a single family driveway. Selectman Patch informed Lemay that if he is increasing the use that he needs to modify and reflect this. Lemay stated that isn't going to work as the State wants one drive for three units, so what happens now. Selectman Patch commented that he needs to submit his building permit application for the third residence, the Selectmen will deny it and then he would have to go to the Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA). Selectman Hebert commented that he can make modifications with the State. Once again Selectman Patch stated that the Selectmen can't approve what he wants to do as the Bartlett Zoning Ordinance doesn't allow it and they have to enforce the ordinance. Lemay inquired what if the ZBA is ok with it. Selectman Patch stated that he doesn't see any obvious problem if the ZBA ok's this. Lemay inquired about a hardship. Lynn Jones, AA, stated that he has use of the property and hardship would be if there are no other options. Selectman Hebert mentioned that he should check with the State and explain the situation to see if he can get the second driveway. Lynn Jones, AA, commented that she would be happy to speak to the surveyor, Wes Smith. Or the State if there is some confusion on understanding the principle of three houses on one driveway.

Selectman Patch also mentioned that there are signs on the property that we have no sign permits for. Lemay stated he didn't know he needed a sign permit. Selectman Patch informed him that the sign permit application can either be picked up at the office or you can go on line and print one. (Sign permit application was given to Lemay.)

Chairman Chandler returned to the Board.

Brian Benoit had dropped off a building permit application for (5VILLG-MAI-290) that he wanted the Selectmen to review as there is a question on meeting the setbacks and whether he would be eligible to get a special exception. He would like to get these items resolved before he purchases the property. Chairman Chandler inquired exactly what he meant concerning the special exception. Benoit answered the 20% setback exception. The application plan was reviewed and it shows that he is 93' from the center line of the road. Lynn Jones, AA, stated that he has to be 115' from the center line of the road and 15' from the side and back property lines in this residential area. If he does this with the 15' setback, the property can never be used commercially. It was suggested that he relocate the house/garage so that it does meet the setbacks. Chairman Chandler stated that otherwise the Selectmen would have to deny his building permit application as it is now and he would have to go to the Zoning Board of Adjustment to see if they would grant the special exception.

Patricia Quinn (5VILLG-BIR-60) telephoned the office as she was upset that the assessing firm (AVITAR which has a clearly marked vehicle) hadn't notified her in advance that they would be assessing her addition that she built on her home. She doesn't want anyone on her property without prior notice. She was requested to put this in writing to the Selectmen but refused. There is a signed statement on the building permit stating the construction will be verified by the Town.

Selectman Hebert made a motion at 04:10 PM to enter nonpublic session under NH RSA 91-A: 3 II (c). Selectman Patch seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous. Selectman Hebert made a motion at 04:25 PM to end the nonpublic session and to seal the minutes. Selectman Patch seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous.

Selectman Hebert made a motion at 04:30 PM to enter nonpublic session under NH RSA 91-A: 3 II (a). Selectman Patch seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous. Selectman Hebert made a motion at 04:40 PM to end the nonpublic session and to seal the minutes. Selectman Patch seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous.

Fire Chief L. Patrick Roberts met with the Selectmen in reference to making them aware of a mechanical problem with ladder truck #1. Roberts explained that the air filter was defective on the new truck which caused dirt to get into the gears. These now need to be replaced. Selectman Hebert commented you mean that the company sold us a truck with a defect. Roberts stated that the cost of repairs would probably be around \$25,000.00. Chairman Chandler stated that he won't sign an ok for that as we bought the truck with a warranty. Roberts stated that we are dealing with two different companies. Selectman Hebert inquired if we have anything in writing. Selectman Hebert also inquired if we can still use the truck. Roberts stated that we could. Selectman Hebert stated that we need documentation that states this. Chairman Chandler requested that Roberts obtain a letter stating that it is ok to run the truck.

Selectman Hebert made a motion at 05:10 PM to enter nonpublic session under NH RSA 91-A: 3 II (a). Selectman Patch seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous. Selectman Hebert made a motion at 05:30 PM to end the nonpublic session and to seal the minutes. Selectman Patch seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous.

The Selectmen signed checks, reviewed correspondence and building permits throughout the meeting. Selectman Hebert made a motion at 05:55 PM to adjourn the meeting. Selectman Patch seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Medeiros, Sec.