

Town of Bartlett
Office of Selectmen
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, August 30, 2023

Attendees: Chairman Gene Chandler, Selectman Vicki Garland, Selectman Ronald Munro

Meeting opened at 4:00 p.m.

Chairman Chandler led all in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Gary Chandler from the Lower Bartlett Water Precinct attended the meeting at the request of the Selectmen to discuss the plans for the Lower Bartlett Water Precinct to extend sewer into their precinct. Chairman Chandler asked for clarification on fees and expected yearly expenses for the homeowners who will be serviced by this project. Mr. Chandler, LBWP, shared that the bond payments are expected to add approximately 60¢ per \$1,000 to the LBWP tax rate and the yearly fee is expected to be approximately \$360 per household in addition to their current water bill. The hookup will be covered through the project budget and will bring the service to within 10 feet of the property foundation. The project requires that any current septic systems be rendered unusable and this is also included in the project budget (either compacting and filling in concrete tanks or removing of other construction materials). Mr. Chandler, LBWP, also said in order for the property owner to receive this included in the project appropriate easements must be granted. Administrative Assistant Lynn Jones asked if it was still required for a homeowner to hook up to the sewer if it passed by your home and Mr. Chandler, LBWP, said it is a state law that if the sewer collection system passes within 100 feet of your property you must connect (NH RSA 147:8). Scott Grant, George O'Brien and Michael Galante were attending the meeting and asked questions of Mr. Gary Chandler as well. There was extensive conversation about the goals of the sewer project in reference to groundwater protection, other groundwater contamination exposures not addressed by this project and concerns about changes at the state level to allow up to 4 residential dwellings on a single property regardless of the size of the lot. Chairman Chandler expressed concerns that a 2023 legislative committee passed a recommendation to mandate the state require all towns to allow up to 4 units on a single lot if served with sewer and water. Also there is a new bill floating about that mandates that towns must allow up to 2 additional accessory dwelling units in addition to a main house or any lot over 0.5 acres. Mr. Chandler, LBWP, spoke about the need to address the last issue through zoning updates.

Chairman Chandler reported that a request has been received by Emerald Tree Experts to perform work at 48 Covered Bridge Lane on September 11, 2023 that would involve their equipment, specifically a crane, being located within the travel lane of the road. Their intent is to maintain at least one lane of travel open at all times. Chairman Chandler asked if there were any concerns. None were noted. The permit will be returned reminding them to take precautions to protect the road surface from the outriggers on the crane. Emergency personnel will be notified as well as the road agent.

Annette Libby, Bartlett Recreation Director, attended the meeting to discuss a request made by her and the Flying Yankee Association for a letter of support addressed to the State of NH to assist in the Flying Yankee Association in acquiring the Flying Yankee streamliner from the State of NH. There was discussion regarding the local history of the Flying Yankee restoration efforts and what would be implied by writing a letter of support. Selectman Garland requested that the Bartlett Athletic and Recreation Association provide the selectmen with a memorandum of understanding between BARA and the Town of Bartlett. Director Libby shared that the MOU has been being worked on and she will check on the status. The selectmen agreed to write a letter of support without committing to allowing the steamliner to be placed at the Morrell Family Complex.

Selectman Garland made a motion at 4:55 p.m. to enter nonpublic session for a request for assistance per NH RSA 91 – A:3 II (c). Selectman Munro seconded the motion. Roll call vote GGC – yes, VLG – yes, RTM – yes

Selectman Garland made a motion at 5:02 p.m. to end the nonpublic session and seal the minutes. Selectman Munro seconded the motion. Roll call vote GGC –yes, VLG – yes, RTM – yes

Chairman Chandler reported that he has spoken with Police Chief Chris Keaton regarding the continued removal of town notices from the bulletin board at the Glen Post Office in Patch’s Market. Over the past several weeks the minutes and other notices have been repeatedly removed. The store owner is reviewing video footage and Chief Keaton will look into placing a camera at the market to address the issue.

Selectman Garland made a motion at 5:16 p.m. to enter nonpublic session for a personnel issue per NH RSA 91 – A:3 II (a). Selectman Munro seconded the motion. Roll call vote GGC – yes, VLG – yes, RTM – yes

Selectman Garland made a motion at 5:48 p.m. to end the nonpublic session and seal the minutes. Selectman Munro seconded the motion. Roll call vote GGC –yes, VLG – yes, RTM – yes

Selectman Munro asked about the mowing bill that was paid this week for approximately \$1000.00. (\$745 paid to From Limbs to Lawns for mowing Town Hall, Glen Fire Station, Glen Cemetery and the house next to the Glen Cemetery owned by the town) Selectmen Munro questioned why the Highway Department was not doing the mowing. Chairman Chandler explained that they did not have the workforce or equipment for this.

Selectman Munro shared that two restaurant owners have expressed concerns due to the increased costs of having their Place of Assembly inspections completed and wanted to know why the Fire Chief is not conducting those inspections. Chairman Chandler explained that up until Shawn Bergeron retired last January 2023, Mr. Bergeron had completed the POA inspections, not the Fire Chief. Mr. Bergeron retired and the only replacement they could find was Peter Donovan. The town does not require the permit; the state liquor commission requires the permit in order to issue the restaurant’s liquor license.

Selectman Garland made a motion to approve the minutes of August 16, 2023. Selectman Munro seconded the motion. Roll call vote: GGC – yes, VLG – yes, RTM – yes

The next meeting of the selectmen will be on Wednesday, September 13, 2023 at 4:00 pm.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Miller
Secretary

Permits Approved:

Date	Owner Name	Map/Parcel	Type of permit
8/16/2023	Steve/Jenn Mitchell	1ALPEN-25-000 Alpstrausse	Construction – house
8/22/2023	Tim Hill	2RT302-95-Roo 192 US Route 302	Special Event – horseshoe tournament
8/30/2023	Lisa Horgan	Grand Summit Hotel 3GRSUM-249-MAS	Special Event – Gift Show

8/30/2023	River Run Co.	3RT302-144-R02 Attitash Mountain Vill.	Construction – dormers
8/29/2023	John Anthony Johnson	2GLENL-181-5B5 131 Glen Ledge Rd	Construction – garage
8/28/2023	Lisa Horgan	Grand Summit Hotel 3GRSUM -249- MAS	Sign permit – Gift Show
8/29/2023	Ross Baker	5VILLG-GRO-50 11 Grove Street	Construction – addition
8/29/2023	Dale Richards	2GLENL-N1 23 Pebble Ledge Rd	Construction – deck
8/29/2023	Darlene Simard Dickson Rev Trust	5STLNG-A00-43 122 Parker Ridge Rd	Construction – Pergola
8/29/2023	Darlene Simard Dickson Rev Trust	5STLNG-A00-43 122 Parker Ridge Rd	Construction – shed
8/29/2023	Alpine Garden Camping Village LLC	5VILLG-MAI-150 1255 US Route 302	Sign permit – winery

Items signed:

Accounts Payable Checks
Payroll Checks
Reach the Beach Letter
Employment Letter
Bartlett Firefighters Association – Open House Permission
Two Permit Letters – Missing Information
Permit Denial – setbacks not met