

Town of Bartlett
Office of Selectmen
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, February 26, 2025

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

Meeting opened at 4:02 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Peter Curro (Treasurer) and Bill Foss (President) of the Grand Summit Condominium Owner's Association attended the meeting to discuss the units at the Grand Summit Hotel that are in arrears of their property taxes and in their dues owed to the Owner's Association. Mr. Foss is asking that some action be taken before it becomes financially unviable. Mr. Foss and Mr. Curro agreed to have their attorney send their proposal to the Selectmen for their review.

David Shedd and Scott Grant of the Planning Board attended the meeting to ask the opinion of the Board regarding a Planning Board issue. AMSCO (Attitash Mountain Service Co) is asking to apply for 1/2 of Block G in the Stillings Grant subdivision (5STLNG-G00). There being an issue with the water supply on the lots, Selectmen have an issue with conditional approval from the Planning Board, with them indicating that no lots are to be sold until the water supply issue is resolved and tested by the Fire Chief. Mr. Shedd and Mr. Grant also bring up road concerns in crossing the gulch. They are asking for road plans and discuss a bridge being an option in mitigating the concerns over the gulch crossing. Mr. Shedd suggests caution and that the previous owner stepped back and has a new group to work with. Mr. Shedd raises concerns over Block F. He believes that there are grade issues with the road needing to be lifted. Mr. Shedd asks if the PB can request a bond for the water line. SM Chandler says that a portion of the bond was returned on Block F. PB asks if they have the power to request a bond for the water line. Mr. Grant recalls a recent conversation with Alec Tarberry and Sheila Duane regarding road plans. Mr. Grant says that DES does have an application for the waterline, but does not believe that a conditional approval should be made. PB does not want to pave Block F until Block G has been approved. Selectman Chandler says that we have not received road plans yet. Mr. Shedd has road plans from years ago but is concerned that lots are being sold before the road is approved by the town. TA Jones states that lots are not to be sold with unapproved subdivision plans. As part of the Block G subdivision, AMSCO is offering a Conservation Easement on a parcel of land. The Selectmen are waiting on more information from the NH DES. Mr. Grant believes that with a new owner in the mix they are getting pushy. Mr. Shedd is concerned that they are cutting corners as lots are being sold without a leach field having been built yet. Mr. Shedd brings up that hydrants cannot be tested until a reservoir has been built.

Mr. Grant discusses School Board issue. He would like to figure out traffic control for the upcoming school meeting. It is suggested that the back of the school and Veteran's Field be cleared for parking behind the building. Chief Keaton will provide traffic control for the meeting.

Selectman Chandler states that Road Bans are beginning on March 10th, 2025.

Selectman Garland made a motion to approve the minutes of 2/12/2025. Selectman Munro seconded the motion. Roll call vote: GGC – yes, VLG – yes, RTM – yes

Heather Forbes attended the meeting and asks if consideration would be made to make the intersections of Route 16A and Town Hall Road a 4-way stop. She cites several accidents in recent history and several near misses as her cause for concern. Ms. Forbes states that people drive too fast over the bridge and that she hears a lot of tires squealing. Selectman Chandler states that we can propose it to the state, but that it is not typically done. Chief Keaton proposes stop signs with LED flashing lights on both sides of Town Hall Road. Chief Keaton has seen success with these signs in

Tuftonboro. Chief Keaton will contact the state about these signs on Monday. Chairman Chandler requested that Chief Keaton check in with the homeowner on the corner to be sure the blinking light in their yard would not be bothersome.

Chief Keaton made a conditional job offer to a candidate to bring a fifth police officer aboard. The candidate has accepted the offer and is working on his paperwork. Selectman Garland asks if he is already enrolled in the Police Academy. Chief Keaton says there are still 28 spots open. Selectman Munro asks when we will see him hired and Selectman Chandler mentions the three-year contract. Chief Keaton believes he will be able to start working in 2 to 3 weeks and that Academy Training will start on May 5th.

Chief Keaton asks the board when he can have a copy of his budget. TA Jones says that he will receive it soon.

The selectmen agree that the Memorandum of Understanding with the Bartlett Recreation (BARA) is ok to be sent to our attorney along with our comments.

The next Selectmen's Meeting will be on Wednesday, March 12, 2025, at 4:00 p.m. The Annual Town Meeting will take place on Thursday, March 13, 2025, at 6:00 pm at the gymnasium at the Josiah Bartlett Elementary School. The Hazard Mitigation Meeting will be held on Tuesday March 11, 2025 at 10:00 am.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Amanda R. Gagnon
Administrative Assistant

Permits Approved:

Date	Owner Name	Map/Parcel	Type of permit
2/18/2025	Night in the Forest Tattoo Studio	1RT16A-255-R00 522 Rt 16A	Special Events License Fire on the Mountains
2/21/2025	Wareham Pond Group, LLC	1RT16A-182-R00 372 Rt 16A	Sign Permit

Items signed:

Accounts Payable Checks
Payroll Checks
Time off requests
Purchase Orders