

Town of Bartlett Office of Selectmen - Meeting Minutes: January 16, 2017

Attendance: Chairman Gene Chandler, David Patch, Jonathan Hebert

Visitors: None Reporters: None

Meeting opened at 03:35 PM.

Police Chief Janet Champlin met with the Selectman to introduce candidate Tyler Eldridge for a full time police position. Chairman Chandler inquired if he was aware that there is a three year contract that he must sign. Eldridge stated that he does know about it. Selectman Hebert inquired what his long term goal is. Eldridge stated that he would like to become a State Trooper. Champlin stated that she hopes to get him into the May full time police academy as he is currently only part-time certified.. He needs to be sworn in as well as out fitted. Selectman Hebert made a motion to hire Eldridge to fill the full time position. Selectman Patch seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Chandler mentioned that he has been approached by a tow truck driver that the rotation of using the tow trucks was not being abided by. Champlin will check into this but a lot of times people ask for a specific company.

Chairman Chandler also inquired for clarification concerning the police detail at Attitash Ski Area as to how long they are and what are they suppose to be doing. He feels that people should be using the tunnel more. He also is against the Officers stopping cars on a State road to allow patrons to get out of the business parking lot. Selectman Hebert feels that the helping with the pedestrian aspect is a good thing but he doesn't go along with the Officer sitting and letting people out of a parking lot.

James and Julie Nichols as well as their realtors, Norman and Kathleen Head, met with the Selectmen to discuss the developing of Sky Valley, Inc. (3RT302-290-R00). J. Nichols was interested to see if there were any special concerns the Selectmen had for the development of the property. J. Nichols stated that a subdivision was done in 1985, and septic designs were done and the septic systems were partially installed with 13 leach beds. He has been in touch with the NH Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) concerning the septic systems designed since the floodplain elevation changed as the result of Tropical Storm Irene. However. the flood way did not change. Three houses are in the flood plain but the rest would be out of high risk. He is aware that they will need flood insurance. Some of the new road was put in but not paved. The last town permit was pulled in 2014 and at that time the town had requested a flood plain map be done but it was never done. Subdivision has not expired but has to meet the new building codes. He is considering expanding the motel and demolishing some of the old buildings or making it a condo development. J Nichols stated that he is a civil engineer in Newmarket, NH and he would like to retain the development of a New England attraction. N. Head did mention that there will be fewer buildings than originally planned and if they go ahead with the restoration of three buildings that they may have to be raised. Selectman Hebert commented that it appears that they have done their home work on the property and they need to go by the zoning ordinance to trigger what they can do. N. Head stated that the Town of Bartlett does have their own ordinance concerning the septic usage. L. Jones, AA, stated that not more than 75% of a commercial lot, tract or parcel of land's capacity for septic disposal will be utilized. J. Nichols also mentioned that he has met with John Lowell, GM, of Attitash to discuss the interconnection of a water supply. Nichols inquired if the Selectmen had any traffic concerns. The Selectmen did not. Selectman Patch stated that he believes the flood plain will be their biggest issue and that the Bartlett Zoning Ordinance is on line. Selectman Hebert reminded them that once they have decided what they would like to do that they need to do up a map/diagram and submit an application that can be reviewed.

Cheryl Nealley, Town Clerk/Tax Collector met with the Selectmen to let them know that her Deputy Clerk has given her her notice as it was more than she had expected it to be. She will be submitting a letter of resignation. Nealley stated that she is only able to offer someone minimum hours which makes it hard on the person to be trained. She has worked out a deal with the Harts Location Clerk to cover for her in July & August when she has to attend trainings. The Harts Location Clerk has requested \$16.00 per hour.

Chairman Chandler mentioned that he had received a call from an attorney concerning a vacant lot on Town Hall Road by the bridge. (1DNDHI-8-L00). They have tried to give the lot to the Nature Conservancy, but it doesn't meet the guide lines. Chairman Chandler inquired if the Town could take it as it would be helpful with the plowing, etc. of the road. The Selectmen will take a look at it and discuss this further.

Chairman Chandler also inquired about whether we should get the locks changed at the Bartlett Jackson Transfer Station. The Selectmen agreed that they should be changed but we need more information on what we have and need. They will check with Acting Manager, James Ainsworth to obtain more information.

Police Chief Janet Champlin met with the Selectmen to go over her budget requests. They went over and discussed each line item. The biggest increase is in the wages as she would like her Officers to be at different levels with step increases every two years. Champlin has requested an overall of 16% increase in her budget. The Selectmen will review her requests as they prepare the final budget figures.

The Selectmen signed checks, reviewed correspondence and building permits throughout the meeting.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 05:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Medeiros, Sec.