

Town of Bartlett Office of Selectmen

Date: February 24, 2012

Attendance: Chairman Gene Chandler, Douglas Garland

Absent: David Patch

Reporters: None

Meeting opened at 08:30 AM.

Earl Travers, Treasurer of the Eagle Ridge Condominium Association (1ALPEN-300-L98) met with the Selectmen and presented to them a copy of a letter of the proposed forestry work in the common area behind buildings I, J., K., and L. Selectman Garland inquired if they were planning on doing a clear cut. Travers stated that he doesn't believe that is the intent. Selectman Garland explained that the issue is what was proposed on the plans presented to the Planning Board as to whether the tree line having to be maintained was just a proposal or part of the conditions of the approved plan. If that is the case this would be something the Planning Board would have to enforce. Travers inquired as to what they have to do to comply. Travers inquired if the town has a Forester that does this type of plan? Chairman Chandler replied no. The Selectmen and Travers reviewed a copy of the plans and the proposed trees to be cut were pointed out by Travers. Travers stated that he believed that they were making a path thru the middle of the common area to be cut so they could have access to the trees on both sides and then they would replant in that area. Selectman Garland had mentioned that if it is a steep grade of 25% then they have to replant. Travers stated that he had been told that the grade was only 15%. Selectman Garland inquired as to when they were planning on doing this cutting. Travers stated next spring, and they don't want to do anything that is illegal. Travers inquired if the ridgeline ordinance was an issue as they are at 900'? Chairman Chandler stated that the ridgeline is ok as these units can't be seen from the main roads in Bartlett. Chairman Chandler advised Travers that he should have someone, perhaps their attorney; attend the next Planning Board meeting on March 5<sup>th</sup> to determine if the proposed tree line is in fact part of the approval. Chairman Chandler stated that if it wasn't part of the approval, then they are ok. Selectman Garland stated that it doesn't appear that the tree line is enforceable but it needs to be checked out. Selectman Garland also suggested that a representative of the Eagle Ridge Condo Association get on the agenda for the next Planning Board meeting. Chairman Chandler stated that even if it is enforceable that there are still places they can cut, but there will be restrictions. Travers stated that he understood that it would behoove them to be at the meeting and that they may be able to do at least some cutting.

Al Griffin and Cartina Isa (2LNDRH-154-115 & 2LNDRH-153-111) met with the Selectmen and gave them each a letter that summarizes what is going on with their units as to why they are requesting an abatement for their taxes and to have the lien on their property removed. The Selectmen reviewed the information given to them. Chairman Chandler inquired as to what the water problem is at unit 115? Griffin stated that somewhere between the street and the house the water line is broken and will have to be dug up to be reconnected. Chairman Chandler inquired if they had received a preliminary value letter on their property, as he noticed that the value did go down. Griffin stated that

he didn't receive a letter but he did call the revaluation firm to see how the process worked. Chairman Chandler inquired if he had a mortgage. Griffin stated that he has a line of credit for \$25,000.00 on unit 115. Griffin stated that he had his bills with him if the Selectmen wished to see them. Chairman Chandler gave Griffin a tax abatement form and suggested that he fill it out and return it to the Selectmen's office before 03/09/12. He also reminded him to be sure to attach the reasoning for his requests. Selectman Garland explained that they have to document what and why they came to their decision.

A telephone call was placed to the town's attorney for legal issues.

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

Meeting adjourned at 10:15 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Medeiros, Sec.