

Town of Bartlett Office of Selectmen

Meeting Minutes: March 10, 2014

Attendance: Chairman Gene Chandler, Douglas Garland, David Patch

Reporters: None

Meeting opened at 03:30 PM.

Naomi Aluf (1RT16A-175-L02 and 1RT16A-161-H19) met with the Selectmen to discuss the interest charges on her property tax bills. Aluf stated that she didn't receive her tax bills in December. She telephoned Leslie Mallett the Tax Collector and inquired about the bills and Mallett told her the bills were mailed. Aluf checked with the Intervale Post Office and they also confirmed that the bills were mailed. Chairman Chandler inquired if she had changed her address. Aluf replied "no". Chairman Chandler stated that he didn't understand what could have happened as the Intervale mail doesn't leave the post office like other mail that goes to Manchester and then back up to the area. Aluf inquired if she has to pay the penalty since she didn't receive her bills. Chairman Chandler had Lynn Jones, AA, print the property cards and the addresses were verified with Aluf. Chairman Chandler inquired if she had paid her bills. Aluf replied no that she has until April 15th. Lynn Jones, AA, clarified that the invoice she received is the estimate that would be due if paid on April 15th but she can pay them earlier so that there would be less interest accrued. Chairman Chandler informed Aluf that after the Selectmen have had an opportunity to review all the information they will let her know their decision. (After carefully reviewing the information the Selectmen agreed to split the interest charges in half and a letter was written to Aluf informing her of their decision.)

Steve Pelletier (1DNDHI-57-L00) was upset that Asplundh tree cutting service had cut trees in front of his residence on Town Hall Road. Pelletier stated that they just clear cut the trees so that his house, which was secluded, is now visible from the road. Pelletier stated that some of the trees had been there long enough to have 30 rings. Pelletier went on to say that the tree company used to just trim the trees but this time they did a clear cutting of them. Chairman Chandler stated that company works for the light company and Pelletier should contact them. Pelletier stated that he has been in contact with the NH Electric Co-op. Pelletier would like to see signs put up that lets people know that they are cutting in the area as some people that were home went out and spoke to the tree workers and their trees were only trimmed but if you weren't home they clear cut the trees. Chairman Chandler stated that he has no problem with requesting that signage be used but he doesn't know if we can do anything else. Pelletier commented again that they should give residents a notice. Selectman Garland mentioned that technically the property owner owns the trees and if the tree company cuts them they have to leave the wood for the land owner. Pelletier stated that he used to have privacy and now he is living in a fish bowl. Selectman Garland replied that if the tree company cuts the trees at the bottom then they don't have to come back as often.

Selectman Garland made a motion at 05:30 PM to enter nonpublic session per RSA 91-A II (a) to discuss a personnel issue. Selectman Patch seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Selectman Garland made a motion at 05:40 PM to end the nonpublic session and to seal the minutes. Chairman Chandler seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Meeting adjourned at 05:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Medeiros, Sec.