

**MINUTES  
FRANCONIA BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING**

**Monday, June 10, 2013**

A meeting of the Franconia Board of Selectmen was held at 3:00 pm on Monday, June 10, 2013 at the Franconia Town Hall. Regular members in attendance were John Lachapelle, Ted Hoyle, Bob Montagno, Sally Small and Suzy MacDonald.

Guests of the Board- George Whitcomb, Jack Cook, Ray Lobdell, & Mary Nehring

Also – Ted Sutton & Rich Smith

Ted Hoyle called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm.

<b>SELECTMEN'S TIME:</b>
--------------------------

**BOS Minutes 5/20/2013:** Formal readings of the May 20, 2013 BOS meeting minutes were waived. The minutes of May 20, 2013 were approved with a couple of corrections.

<b>FOR CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL:</b>
---------------------------------------

**Transaction List for 6/13/13** - The Board reviewed and signed the checks and transaction list for 6/13/13.

**Driveway Permit – Mullens – Map3/Lot 3-2 Wallace Hill Road** – Needs to have the Police Chief , Fire Chief, and Road Agent sign off before having the Select Board sign.

<b>APPOINTMENTS:</b>
----------------------

**3:00 – George Whitcomb** has a couple of concerns he would like to discuss. The first is the hydrants. Have they ever been flow tested? Results should be on file either at the Fire Station or with the Water Department. Suzy will check with the Water Commissioners. If this has not been done than LRW should be contacted and it should be done as soon as possible.

The brush and slash beside the road from cut trees needs to be picked up. The Highway Department should pick this up when they see it beside the road. It becomes a fire danger in the dry weather. Scenic roads were discussed. Bob Montagno will speak with Scott Leslie about this situation as well as picking up some dead trees at the Cemetery. He will also discuss the Library steps with Scott.

**3:30 – Jack Cook** – Jack is still gathering quotes from power suppliers. Power Suppliers are numerous and he wants to be sure he researches completely prior to making any suggestions. If he can obtain further information he will be at the June 24, 2013 Select Board meeting.

**4:00 – Ray Lobdell – Mittersill/Franconia Ski Club Building** –Plans to expand the skiing at Mittersill by widening three trails, adding a new lift (T Bar) and adding snowmaking were reviewed. Franconia Ski Club is a large part of this process. This plan to expand is being developed from a ski racing perspective. The Ski Club is in the process of fundraising and developing a plan. Water for snowmaking will come from Echo Lake. Ray explained the permits needed and the wetland impact. Three separate permits will be submitted to the State of NH for their approval.

Ray Lobdell will be meeting with the Conservation Commission so that they can review the required permits. Two public hearings have been held, one in Concord and one at the mountain.

Any questions regarding this project should be directed to Ted Sutton, Project Manager. The key people in this project feel it has the possibility for big economic impact in Franconia and the surrounding towns.

**4:30 – Mary A Nehring** – Had a fire at her house on 6/23/2011 and was displaced. She reoccupied her house 04/22/2013. In December of 2012 she began construction to get her house back in order.

Allen Clark has done inspections during and after the construction.

In November of 2011 Mary applied for abatement with the town. She did pay the taxes but wrote a letter asking for tax abatement. She does not think she has received an answer from the town yet. Suzy will look for a copy of the paperwork and check with Sally. The appraisal of the house currently states it is a four bedroom and Mary does not feel that is accurate. Mary does not feel that her house is the same quality as it was before the fire. Suzy will be sure the assessor gets to Mary house.

<b>TO DISCUSS/REVIEW:</b>
---------------------------

Septic Permit - Sampo - This septic permit was reviewed and will be sent to the State for their approval.

The Select Board would like a copy of the ZBA decision for Gargano be sent to the Town's Attorney.

The Select Board would like to invite Chuck Lovett and any other interested person from the Library to the Select Board meeting on June 24, 2013 to discuss the walkway and the roadside step at the Library. Included in the conservation will be the color of the cement as well as the elevation of the sidewalk.

The Select Board would like ALL inquires related to the Water Project be referred to the Towns Attorney.

The Select Board would like to speak with Kim at the June 24, 2013 regarding the "pond" on the rink.

Provan and Lorber has completed a draft copy of a scope of services to provide some engineering to the Town of Franconia with regards to the flat roofs at the Town Hall and the Library and the sidewalks from Route 142 to Route 116. The cost of engineering is \$5,900.00. Bob would like to see the wording in the cost section to read "not to exceed....."

The front steps of the Town Hall were discussed. They need to be done ASAP. The Select Board would like to move forward on this project and take the money from the Town Buildings Fund.

Bob has the 2012 roof bids and will review. The original roof design will stay. Roof spikes could be installed. Some type of material could be laid upon the rubber roof to prevent the ice from damaging the roof when it slides off the metal roof. The Select Board would like to move forward in getting the roofs replaced. This project will be rebid. The advertisement will be revised and placed in the newspaper soon.

John Lachapelle will be the representative on the Hazard Mitigation Committee.

<b>FOR YOUR INFORMATION:</b>
------------------------------

**Stantec – Location of sample tap and meter location for water sources**

**258 Old County Winter Rental**

**Old Home Day celebration 7/6/2013**

Selectman Hoyle adjourned the meeting at 4:35 pm

Respectfully submitted, Suzanne MacDonald, Executive Secretary