

A regular meeting of the Franconia Board of Selectmen was held at 3:05 p.m. on Monday, May 1, 2017, at the Franconia Town Hall.

**Members Present:** Eric Meth, Bernie Costa, Jill Brewer, Holly Burbank

**Guests:** Jeff Rose, Tom Mansfield

**Others:** See attached list

Eric Meth called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m.

➤ **TO SIGN AND APPROVE BY THE BOARD**

- **Minutes - April 17, 2017** Eric made motion to accept the minutes as amended, Bernie seconded it with all voting in favor.
- **Closed Session Minutes -** Eric made a motion to accept the minutes as written for April 10 & 17, 2017, Jill seconded the motion and all voted in favor.
- **Transaction List - April 27, 2017 & May 4, 2017**
- **Septic System Permit Application -** T&T Mtn Investments & Franconia Village Store - ZBA said that it was permissible for T&T Mtn Investments.
- **Current Use Application -** Conners & Neeson - the registry wants originals.
- **Building Permit Application -** Town of Franconia A&P & Jeff Graham, 144 Ski Pine Club Road(A&P)
- **Driveway Permits -** T&T Mtn Investments (off Lafayette) & John & Barbara Williams Map 31/lot 17.
- **Delegation of Deposit Authority -** RS 41:29 II - Designate them to do the deposits...town clerk/tax or an assistant to the Town Administrator.
- **Land Use Change Tax-** John & Barbara Williams
- **Re-Purchase Deed -** Map 28, Lot 169 - Mittersill received and did not have to \$14,260.53 back taxes and incidental things for notices and attorneys fees.
- **Invoice Cloud Online Payment Agreement Addendum -** Board of Selectmen and Holly to be a signatory.
- **Tax Pre-Payment Authorization -** We don't have anything in writing for this...and have on file...the Selectmen will accept pre-payment.

➤ **APPOINTMENTS**

- **3:00 pm - Jeff Rose - NH DRED -** Profile Lake Project rescheduled for 3:30pm. Ed Rolfe brought this project to the Boards attention.

The project was explained by Commissioner Rose and Mr. Mansfield. They want to build a loop boardwalk that will be ADA compliant around the Profile Lake. There was a lot of questions and concerns from the public. There was mostly opposition to this project. There was a concern about how safety services will be impacted by this.

- **4:00 pm** - George Sansoucy Invoice - tabled until next week.

➤ **FOR DISCUSSION**

- **Town Administrator Update** - Safety Services we can use money to pay down the debt on the loan. It has to go to town meeting for a 2/3<sup>rd</sup> vote. We need to re-request the money. The investors want to know if we are going to spend the money out of that. We are going to request the money.

Holly brought up about changing our meeting hours. We tried it twice and got only one more person. This will be removed from our to do list.

Renovations - we are getting closer to the end. The lights are in. LED lights are bright. There is some trim paint and they are painting the walls. Carpet is scheduled for the 11 & 12<sup>th</sup> and we can move in. The safe is pretty much ready to go so we can file correctly. Kim, Corey and Jim have been great and very helpful. A great job is being done by all.

Holly believes a wall into and a door locking Carol's area is needed. Then the Water Department/PB Secretary can use the other half of the room. Carol's husband can do the electrical work and just charge for material. Corey will help but it conflicts with his outside work. She also wants to update the antiquated phone system and wants to rekey the building. Holly stated the cost would be an additional \$5500.00.

**Eric makes a motion to spend up to \$5500 to complete renovations, Jill seconded and all voted in favors.**

**Quarterly reports** for the departments - Holly stated that everyone was where they should be. She will print out January thru April and present to the Board next week.

Bernie thinks it would be a great idea to take pictures of who did the work and show the town the volunteers at town meeting.

- **North Country Council Recreation Trails Program Grant** - Eric will speak with Kaela Gray and find out who we can speak to.
- **Renewal of Cable Franchise with Time Warner** - There will be a meeting on May 11<sup>th</sup> at 630pm. Katherine Miller coming to do this meeting at the Littleton Opera House. Holly will contact David Starr, our rep, to see if he can do this.

➤ **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- **Conservation Commission** - Ed Rolfe came and repeated what he said to us today. We did not support the Trail as it was planned.
- **CIP** - We need a Planning Board Member for the CIP member. Planned capital purchases for 2018. JD Tractor - 2019 - Keep it in mind. Include spreader. June 1<sup>st</sup> for CIP Meeting. Holly will work with department heads for budgets and what they need
- **Who owns the road into Mittersill?** We think the state owns from Route 18 up to like the firehouse. Scott has paving bids to come in and talk to us next Monday. He got some good prices this year. He may have \$15 K left in the paving fund.
- **Energy Commission** - We have three bids in for the street light project. Next meeting we will review and make a decision. Fitz and Chip came to the PB Meeting and made presentation in regards to cosmetics and aesthetics. We want warmer light in the 3000 range. It will take 3-4 year period to complete. Every light will be replaced. It will pay for the project within two years. We are not shutting any off. To decommission a light it costs \$550 to replace with LED only costs \$350 per light. Maintenance warranty for 5 years but lights will last for 20 years.
- **Northern Pass** -Good turnout in Concord. Now there will be a problem EMF's from the buried lines. It was not supposed to be an issue. Eric is waiting for an answer from Susan Schibanoff.
- **Planning Board** - Fitz & Chip came to give a presentation to the Board in regards to the LED lights. MTAG Grant - Kaela is finishing the project. She is focusing on making sure we are compliant with the grant. Road Safety Audit Eric will ask her about this.

➤ **PUBLIC INPUT - None.**

After a motion by Bernie, second by Eric, all were in favor and the meeting adjourned at 6:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted, Herbie Bartlett, Executive Secretary