

**MINUTES
FRANCONIA BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING**

Monday, May 20, 2013

A meeting of the Franconia Board of Selectmen was held at 3:00 pm on Monday, May 20, 2013 at the Franconia Town Hall. Regular members in attendance were John Lachapelle, Ted Hoyle, Sally Small and Suzy MacDonald.

Guests of the Board- Scott Leslie, Chuck Lovett, Chief Richard Gaudette and Harvey Flanders

Also – Dinny Richmond and Harriett Taylor

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

SELECTMEN'S TIME:

BOS Minutes 5/13/2013: Formal readings of the May 13, 2013 BOS meeting minutes were waived. The minutes of May 13, 2013 were approved with a couple of corrections.

FOR CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL:

Transaction List for 5/23/13 - The Board reviewed and signed the checks and transaction list for 5/23/13.

Land Use Change Tax –The Board reviewed and signed a Land use Change Tax.

Forest Fire Bill/Report – The Board reviewed and signed a Forest Fire Bill/Report to be submitted to the State of NH.

Building Permit – Ford – Map 26/Lot 13 – A Building Permit – Ford – Map 26/Lot 13 was reviewed and signed by the Select Board.

Building Permit – Buddenhagen – Map 8/Lot 2 – A Building Permit for Buddenhagen, Map 8/Lot 2 was reviewed and signed by the Select Board.

Intent to Cut – Map 30/Lot 07- Grote - Intent to cut for Map 30/Lot 07 – Grote - was reviewed and signed by the Select Board.

Intent to Cut – Map 19/Lot 11&12 – Butterhill Partners – Intent to Cut for Map 19/Lot 11 & 12 – Butterhill Partners – was reviewed and signed by the Select Board.

Sign Permit – Lafayette Recreation – Map 14/Lot 146 – A Sign Permit for Lafayette Recreation – Map 14/Lot 146 was reviewed and signed by the Select Board.

APPOINTMENTS:

3:00 – Scott Leslie – Paving Bids & Gravel Pit Contract –Scott Leslie presented three bids for the grinding and paving of Cole Hill & McGowan Hill and for the grinding of Timber Lane and Toad Hill and also for the paving of the apron at the Transfer Station. Scott would recommend going with GMI at a cost of \$122,693.00. After a brief discussion Ted signed an Acceptance of Contract with GMI.

Wells Road may need to have some crack filling or chip sealing done this year. Scott will look further into this.

Years ago the Town had a contract with a gravel pit here in Town. The gravel pit supplied the Town with gravel for a price. Peter Grote presented a new contract to the Town to provide gravel to them for a price. Peter is going to open up a gravel pit for his own use. The Town will look over the contract and will want to meet with Peter and Scott to discuss terms.

John would like to have Scott meet with a company that is going to look into the buried oil tank at the Town Hall and Mittersill Fire Station. The company would like to know the size of both tanks prior to coming. The company will be giving us an estimate to remove both tanks.

3:15 – Chuck Lovett – Chuck talked with the Board and with Scott about fixing the Library walkway in a timely manner. The walkway needs to be fixed prior to any decisions being made about the sidewalk on Main Street. The Library entrance is now done. The rails do need to be put back up.

The Highway Department will be doing the demolition of the walkway and the forming for the new. Scott will touch base with Bruce Bunker for details. Bruce will be pouring and finishing the work.

The curb cut was discussed at the end of the walkway. This will not be an issue until the sidewalk is done.

The Library has a donor that has given \$10,000 toward the repairs/improvements to the outside of the Library Building. They have also applied for a \$10,000 grant and are waiting for word of approval.

3:30 – Chief Rick Gaudette & Harvey Flanders & Roger O’Dell – These members of the Fire Department had some questions regarding the new Building Inspector and the scope of his duties. Currently Allan Clark is our Building Inspector and Harvey Flanders will continue to do Fire Inspections. Harvey does not find a regulation that must require stamped plans. The Building Inspector does not require stamped plans, however Harvey needs additional information for his review.

Those present wanted to discuss the dividing line between building and fire inspections. The Select Board will only discuss this with all parties involved in the room. The Fire Department will discuss this with Allen. If any further problems arise, all are invited back to speak with the Select Board.

An occupancy permit needs to be prepared and ready for use.

The NH DOL will be here on Monday June 3, 2013. The Fire Department is asked to have a representative available at the building so any questions can be addressed promptly.

TO DISCUSS/REVIEW:

The Select Board discussed a scheduling conflict the Chairman has with the summer schedule. After some discussion, the summer meeting schedule starting in June will be the second and the last Monday of each month.

Jeff Phillips, Building and Grounds, should plan to mow the lawn at the Frost Place. It is a Town owned building and we are responsible for the outside of the building.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION:

Franconia Planning Board Meeting Notice

Open House – 6/12/2013-Grafton County Biomass Plant

Thank you from Franconia Heritage Museum

Old Home Day celebration 7/6/2013

Selectman Hoyle adjourned the meeting at 4:03 pm

Respectfully submitted, Suzanne MacDonald, Executive Secretary