

**MINUTES
FRANCONIA BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING**

Monday, September 16, 2013

A meeting of the Franconia Board of Selectmen was held at 3:00 pm on Monday, September 16, 2013 at the Franconia Town Hall. Regular members in attendance were Ted Hoyle, John Lachapelle, Bob Montagno, Suzy MacDonald and Sally Small

Guests of the Board-Chuck Lovett

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

SELECTMEN'S TIME:

BOS Minutes 9/9/2013: Formal readings of the September 9, 2013 BOS meeting minutes were waived. The minutes of September 9, 2013 were approved.

FOR CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL:

Transaction List for 9/19/13 - The Board reviewed and signed the transaction list for 9/19/13.

MS -5 – The MS -5 was reviewed and signed by the Select Board.

Driveway Permit – Grasset – **Map 8/Lot 1-A7** – A driveway permit for Grasset – Map 8/Lot 1-A7 was reviewed and signed Select Board.

Cemetery Deed – Collman/Cunningham – A Cemetery Deed for Collman/Cunningham was reviewed and signed by the Select Board.

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Building Permit – Joel Peabody – Map 12/Lot 88 – 2 car portable garage – A Building Permit for Joel Peabody – Map 12/Lot 88 for a two car portable garage was reviewed and signed by the Select Board.

Letter for Grotes – Gravel Pit – A Letter was written to the Grotes regarding their Gravel Pit on Route 116. The letter was reviewed and signed by the Select Board.

APPOINTMENTS:

3:00 – Chuck Lovett & Harriett Taylor – Library Grant – The Library has received a \$10,000 “Moose Plate” grant thru the State of NH. The Select Board reviewed the paperwork and signed a letter to accept the grant. This money will be used on the façade of the Library Building.

4:00 Tina Caisse (walk in) – Tina is living across the street from the Grotes Gravel Pit and has many questions. Have all the proper permits been obtained? Has a driveway permit been obtained for the gravel storage site? According to Tina, the Grotes have intentions of continuing to excavate and transport the piles of gravel to the new site at the end of the airport. Some of the gravel is being sold to the Town

but nothing was said about storing the gravel for the town for future purchase. Tina is being told this storage could last upwards to three years.

The Town of Franconia is aware that the scope of work presented to us and what is actually taking place may not be the same. They do have an Intent to Excavate which is valid until March of 2014. The Select Board has received various complaints and have asked that the Grotes to make an appoint with the Planning Board.

TO DISCUSS/REVIEW:

Clarification from Ken King – Re: meeting on August 26 – A letter from Ken Kin was given to the Select Board. This letter was regarding a meeting on August 26, 2013 with the Select Board. Ken provided some further details.

The Select Board will send Mr. King a letter advising him they feel he has violated the terms of a special exception with the ZBA and he will again need to go before the ZBA for further clarification.

Letter from Mary Nehring – A letter from Mary Nehring was given to the Select Board. The letter was reviewed and discussed. Sally will again send Mary a copy of a letter stating the RSA's for abatements.

Columbus Day will be a business day for the Town of Franconia.

Underground Storage Tank Removal Quote – It will cost approximately \$7000 to have two underground storage tanks removed from the Town Hall and Mittersill Fire Station. Sally will forward this information on to Scott Leslie. The Select Board says this must be done. They will speak with Scott and Jeff Phillips regarding pumping out the tanks.

No oil or propane rates for the coming season have been obtained. The Select Board would like for Sally or Suzy to get rates.

Provan & Lober Correspondence indicates preference for precast concrete for stair fabrication. They will be offering engineering services to the Town of Franconia. These engineering fees are not to exceed \$12,000.00. This project will happen in 2014 and will be posed as a warrant article to take the money from the Town Buildings Fund for the steps. The Select Board feels this is the way to go.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION:

2012 Financial Statements

Cooley-Jericho Community Forest – closed on 843 acres of land

Selectman Hoyle adjourned the meeting at 4:30 pm

Respectfully submitted, Suzanne MacDonald, Executive Secretary