TOWN OF TEMPLE, NEW HAMPSHIRE

FINAL MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC MEETING BOARD OF SELECTMEN Meeting held on the 9th of July 2013

Board members present: J. Kieley, M. Darnell, G. Cromwell

Call to Order by J. Kieley at 5:01 p.m.

- 1. Subject: The Mazza Family met with the Board to follow-up on progress from the 6/11/13 meeting and to discuss a complaint regarding a dirt pile by the stream. Heidi Jordan asked the Board who had complained. Kieley stated that the Board would like to keep discussions cordial and the Board didn't think that they should respond. Holly Martin stated that the dirt pile has been there for years; with the ongoing clean-up it is more noticeable. Kieley asked if the bus and the boat could be removed. Dan Cloutier informed the Board that they intend to move the bus and boat to his location in Milford. The survey maps were reviewed. The Mazza's will continue to work on getting correct maps. Paul Jordan will work with the Administrative Assistant and the map maker to correct the town tax maps. Jordan will also meet with the Administrative Assistant to review deeds. The Mazza's will work on an updated current use map once the survey maps are correct. Kieley suggested that once the clean-up is complete the junkyard area be staked out and the Board do a site visit to discuss the junkyard area.
- 2. <u>Subject:</u> Ken Caisse, representing the Temple Volunteer Fire Department's Fireman's Fund met with the Board regarding a special event permit for the Harvest Festival. Move by Kieley to approve the TVFD's Harvest Festival on the Town Common and in the Town Hall and to waive fees, second by Darnell and voted in the unanimous affirmative.
- 3. <u>Subject:</u> Reviewed and signed and abatement for Bruce Kullgren, Jr. M 07 Lot 037.
- 4. <u>Subject:</u> Brendan Minnihan, new Superintendent of Schools for the Conval School District, met with the Board. Kieley welcomed Minnihan and explained that the Board has four areas of concern regarding the school district 1) Keeping TES as the heart of the community. 2) A concern over the declining test scores. 3) The overall costs in light of declining enrollment in the district. 4) A decline in confidence by the tax payers that the school administration is capable of carefully handling the finances. Kieley stated that there are many examples of opportunities to reduce costs that were not taken. The Board feels that with Minnihan and 4 new school board members this is a good time to "re-start" the process. Cromwell stated that after serving 8 years on the School Board she has no confidence in the financial management. Minnihan spoke about the State down shifting costs and asked the Board to acknowledge the cost saving and efficiencies that have occurred. He also stated that he would like to provide students with a good education within a reasonable cost structure.

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- 4. <u>Subject:</u> (cont.) Darnell asked Minnihan if he would look at co-operative purchasing. Minnihan stated that this could be looked. Minnihan told the Board that he hoped that he and the Board could continue to meet and have conversation to discuss issues of concern regarding the school district. Kieley mentioned a SAC meeting where a School Board member had stated that the students were the "constituency" for the School Board and school administration. Kieley stated that the taxpayers are also the constituency for these two groups and asked Minnihan to consider that in his decision making. At this point Minnihan and Kieley left to attend a Budget and Property Committee meeting for the School Board.
- 5. <u>Subject:</u> Reviewed and signed vouchers.
- 6. <u>Subject:</u> Cromwell and Darnell briefly discussed the length of time for the loan on the new Highway Department truck. Darnell suggested looking at the CIP report to determine what other purchases need to be made and asked the Administrative Assistant to contact Kieley to set up a special meeting so the full Board can have this discussion.
- 7. <u>Subject:</u> Darnell informed Cromwell that the box for the alternative phone service has arrived. This equipment will need to be wired into the server due to the number of MB needed. Darnell will need to run lines to connect to the phone lines to be transferred.
- 8. <u>Subject:</u> Move by Cromwell to adjourn, second by Darnell. Meeting adjourned at 6:39 pm.

Minutes submitted by Debra Harling, Administrative Assistant