

TOWN OF TEMPLE, NEW HAMPSHIRE

SELECT BOARD

MINUTES OF PUBLIC MEETING

Tuesday February 28, 2023

Town Hall

5:30 PM

Select Board members present: George Willard, Bill Ezell, and Ken Caisse

Other Attendees: Ben & Emily Fisk

Barn Easement Continuation Hearing - Ezell opened the Barn Easement continuation hearing at 5:30 and moved to postpone the Redding/McDonald Barn easement hearing per the request of the applicants, to a date and time certain of March 28, 2023 at 5:30. Caisse seconded the motion. All were in favor motion passed.

Public session was started at 5:32

Chairman Comments: *Ezell reported that the Marsh Hearing started on Wednesday with a walk through of the property. Ezell noted that a comment was made from an audience member (John Kieley), at the previous meeting that the public was allowed on the property during the walk through. Ezell noted his statement was accurate that the public could not walk the property and he added that law enforcement was present to enforce this. Ezell added that the hearing continued at the courthouse on Wednesday and Thursday but no decision has been made yet. The court will have 14 days to provide a fact-finding transcript to the attorneys who will have 20 days to provide any additional documents and there will be time for any re-buttles. The Judge will then have 2 months to make a decision which then could be appealed. Ezell noted the town is not directly involved any longer, it is between the court and the attorneys, but witnesses can be called. After all of this, it will be the Judges decision and that decision is final.*

Ezell also reminded the audience that there will be a CAC Parking and Safety forum on March 30th at 7:00pm at the town hall.

Public Comment: *No Comments*

Old Business:

- 1. Code Enforcement Officer Update** – *No Update*
- 2. Parking/Zoning/Fee structure follow up** – *No update*
- 3. Background checks & policy update** – *No update*
- 4. ARPA funds – Town Common Well, Ballfield, fencing, playground estimates etc.** – *No Update*
- 5. Update on quotes for Town Hall Repairs** – *No Update*
- 6. Update on Alarm System vendors** – *No Update*
- 7. Town Office lateral drawers – Fix or Replace** – *Caisse noted that at the last select board meeting \$1200 was approved to fix the cabinets however the quote was for \$1320. Caisse moved to amend*

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the amount to \$1320 to fix the lateral cabinets at the town office. Willard seconded the motion, all were in favor, motion passed.

- 8. Follow up on Library credit card options** – *Ezell noted that after some research with the Treasurer, we will be getting a Citizens bank credit card for the Library which will be combined with the town account. The bank statements will show a breakdown of each card's charges. Ezell moved to authorize the town library to use a town credit card issued to them for their Library purchases. Willard seconded, all were in favor, motion passed.*
- 9. Follow up on new policy for select board regular paperwork items** – *Caisse commented that we should be able to sign permits at the town office once they are approved by all of the other inspectors instead of doing this at the select board meetings. We can make a list of all approved permits for the meeting, but if everything is in order, we should include these with regular paperwork. This will prevent delays so the applicants can start their projects and this will also speed up the select board meetings. If an abutter has a question, permits are public information and they can ask at any time. Caisse added we should include this in our policy book. We can bring this to the next meeting to vote on.*

New Business:

- **Appoint Ebenezer Edwards to the Recreation Committee:** *Ezell moved to appoint Ebenezer Edwards to the recreation committee for a 3 year term. Willard seconded. All were in favor. Caisse noted this is contingent upon passing the background check.*
- **Reappoint Vivian Wills to the Recreation Dept.:** *Willard moved to reappoint Vivian Wills to the Recreation committee for a 3 year term. Ezell seconded, all were in favor, motion passed.*
- **Town Hall Security:** *Ezell reported that some strange things have been happening in zoom meetings and therefore we have changed the passwords which will only be given to those that require knowing it. Other problems are that someone messed up the AV equipment display in the Annex. We have a lot of expensive equipment and we need to think about security noted Ezell. The new alarm system if we get it, can track the comings and goings of people.*
- **Solar Permit application – Miley- Kendall Rd.:** *The board reviewed and approved the application.*
- **Approve Budget Hearing Meeting minutes February 9, 2023** *Ezell moved to approve the Budget hearing minutes from February 9th as amended. Willard seconded, all in favor, motion passed.*
- **Approve Select Board Meeting Minutes February 14, 2023:** *Caisse moved to approve the minutes from February 14th as amended. Ezell seconded the motion, all were in favor, motion passed.*
- **Discuss warrant article speakers for town meeting:** *The board choose who will speak and move each warrant article.*

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- **Discuss next select board meeting date due to elections:** *Ezell noted that the next select board meeting is scheduled for March 14th which is election day. The board discussed and decided to meet on Wednesday March 15th at 6:30 if there is enough on the agenda.*

Other Business: - None

Meeting Adjourned:

Motion to adjourn by Ezell second by Caisse. Meeting adjourned at 6:00 PM.

Next Select Board Meeting: *The next select board meeting will be held on **Wednesday March 15th** at the town Hall main room at 6:30pm. Meeting minutes respectfully submitted by Carole Singelais*