

TOWN OF TEMPLE, NEW HAMPSHIRE

SELECT BOARD

MINUTES OF PUBLIC MEETING

Tuesday July 11, 2023

Town Hall

6:30 PM

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

Other Attendees: Connie Kieley, Emily Sliviak, Ben Fisk, Kent Perry, Robert & Michelle Levesque, Cam Lockwood, Ivy Bibler & Gail Cromwell.

Meeting called to order by Ezell at 6:30 PM.

Chairman Comments: *None.*

Public Comment: *None*

Old Business:

1. **Code Enforcement Officer/Parking Zoning Fee Update** – *No Update*
2. **Background checks & policy update** – *Caisse noted he will be at the next Library meeting with the final draft.*
3. **Update on Alarm system vendors** – *Caisse noted he is still waiting for comparable quotes.*
4. **Flag Policy Update** – *Ezell noted he has received the policy from legal, therefore, they can finalize it at the next meeting.*
5. **Cost of living policy update** – *Ezell added an update to the previous version noting that the COLA increase is not applicable if a raise was given in the last 12 months. He will have the revised version at the next meeting for approval.*
6. **Investment Policy update** – *Ezell noted they are still working on this.*
7. **Doug Guy Junkyard inspection & renewal** – *Caisse noted he has been unsuccessful with contacting Mr. Guy to set up the required inspection and made a motion that we send out a certified letter asking that he contact the board to set that meeting up. Ezell seconded the motion, all were in favor. Bibler asked what exactly do they look for? Caisse noted they have a map and look for leaks, location of cars, Ezell added they also look for proper screening from public view as well. Bibler asked about proper draining and if they check for that. Caisse explained what they check, noting they look for the obvious adding that it is common practice for Mr. Guy to comply with the regulations. Willard noted he believes the DES comes once a month to check that all is compliant. Bibler does not believe the DES actually comes monthly. Caisse noted Mr. Guy has to have the vehicles drained before he brings them to the crusher or they will not take the vehicles.*
8. **Town Common Benches** - *Ezell stated they need to make sure they are all on the same page with this. He received a complaint letter about the Longo bench removal noting this bench was placed there in the 90's. Ezell stated multiple people have talked to him about this and the general consensus is that if you allow one bench you need to allow them all. Willard said it has been there a long time and was authorized by another board so he would like to see the Longo bench grandfathered in the new policy. Ezell noted he does not care either way, Caisse said if we do this, we need a policy saying what can stay and what is not*

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allowed. Ezell moved to grandfather the Longo bench and add a moratorium until we develop rules. Willard seconded the motion, all were in favor.

9. **Curbing Quotes** – *Ezell noted Perry received a quote from Greeley Farms for \$5500 for the professional installation of 75 feet of curbing at the town common. Kieley asked if there was going to be right angles to the curbing so people do not drift off. Perry said yes. Cromwell asked how was this being paid. Ezell stated ARPA funds.*

New Business:

- **Harvest Festival:** *Lockwood made some suggestions for the Harvest Festival including: Spaces for handicap parking, entrance and exit markings, no pets allowed, & adding benches. Caisse noted they do have provisions for handicap participants and he noted there has never been any issues with pets and he added they will have 4 white benches for people to sit on.*
- **Brown Rd Issue:** *Michelle & Robert Levesque told the board that they have an issue with the road agents plowing and also noted that when their driveway washed out, he recommended they put in a culvert at the bottom of their driveway which they did with the highway departments assistance. A year later, the sediment is building up and they were told they need to keep it free from debris. Perry added that they have been plowing the roads the same way for 15 years and noted that they did the Levesques a favor by putting in the culvert and told them they needed to maintain it. Caisse asked if they wanted the culvert taken out. The Levesques stated they just want the problem fixed. The board plans on taking a tour of the property and discussing again at the next meeting.*
- **Jeta Grove donation:** *Ezell noted that In lieu of their taxes, Jeta Grove makes an annual donation for the town portion of their taxes. The board accepted their donation.*
- **Review & Approve Building permit application -Sliviak – :** *Caisse noted the application still needed the health inspector's approval and moved to approve the application pending the health inspector's approval. Ezell seconded, all were in favor.*
- **Review & Approve roof mounted solar permit app - Hecker:** *Caisse noted this was a roof mounted system and he moved to approve. Ezell seconded, all were in favor.*
- **Approve Select Board Meeting Minutes June 27, 2023:** *Ezell moved to approve the minutes as amended, Caisse seconded, all were in favor.*

Other Business:

- **Review & Approve Building permit app - Robinson -** *Ezell moved to approve the building application pending the health inspector's approval. Willard seconded, all were in favor.*

Committee Updates:

- *None*

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Non-Public Session:

Meeting Adjourned: *Motion to adjourn by Caisse, second by Willard. Meeting adjourned at 7:15 PM*

Next Select Board Meeting: *The next select board meeting will be held on **Tuesday July 25th** at the town Hall main room at 6:30pm. Meeting minutes respectfully submitted by Carole Singelais*