

TOWN OF TEMPLE, NEW HAMPSHIRE

SELECT BOARD

MINUTES OF PUBLIC MEETING

Tuesday September 14, 2021

Town Hall

6:30 PM

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

Other Attendees: Connie Kieley, Christine Robidoux, Camilla Lockwood, Gail Cromwell, Bill McDonnell, Jessica Hipp, Honey Hastings, Dick & Sandra Benotti, Tim Fiske, Kent Perry, Kathy Boot, Steve Cullinan, Olivia Holmes and Vivian Wills.

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

Public Comment:

Olivia Holmes asked the select board a question regarding Planning board applicants bringing their legal representation to board meetings. Is there any requirement on notifying the town in advance? If we have town counsel attend, who pays for that? Ezell stated that there is no advance notice needed. Ezell also noted that if the ZBA feels it is necessary, they can bring town counsel and charge the applicant for non-routine charges. However this is what the ZBA is allowed to do and it may be different for the planning board.

Robidoux updated the board with what the CAC committee is planning on having available at the Harvest Festival which include; 250 Anniversary fund, Town Hall booklets, code red information, ARAP funding, and welcome to Temple draft booklets.

Old Business:

- **Marsh Litigation Update:** *No new update*
- **Dark Sky Complaint Update:** *Ezell reported no new update on the 2nd letter sent noting they may have to move to step 3 if the abutters are still concerned.*

New Business:

- **Covid 19 Update – Bill McDonnell:** *McDonnell reported that the weekly State COVID meetings have not yet resumed noting that the Feds don't have all the facts regarding the booster shots. Vivian Wills noted the Recreation commission has some upcoming events at the Town Hall and they want to make sure they are following the best practices. McDonnell stated that the only rules now are if you are vaccinated, no masks are required but if you are not vaccinated, you should wear a mask indoors. Wills asked about any plans for signage. It was noted that signs are currently being made with the mask/no mask recommendation and they will be placed on the Town Hall soon. Hastings asked if some of the ARAP money could be used to purchase a filtration device for the Town Hall. Ezell commented that due to the size of the building, it would be pretty expensive but we can do some research. Caisse asked Wills if the upcoming recreation events can be held outdoors. Wills commented it is an option but it depends on the weather.*

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- **Sale of Property on Rt 45 – Tim Fiske:** *Fiske briefed the audience on the 50K offer received for one of the town lots that are for sale. Ezell felt the property may sell for more if put on the market. Kathy Boot provided some market analysis which shows the potential to sell the lot for \$68-\$70K. It was noted that if sold to the abutter, we would not have to pay a real estate commission fee. Ezell stated we should negotiate with the abutter.*
- **Broadband Contract – Jessica Hipp:** *Hipp and the broadband committee recommended that the select board approve the CCI contract. She noted the contract has been reviewed by the legal team, the treasurer and the budget committee. Caisse motioned to sign the CCI contract. Ezell seconded, roll call vote was unanimous in favor. Hipp added that CCI will be at the harvest festival. Ezell thanked Jessica and the committee for getting this project done.*
- **Discuss Trust Fund and Expendable Trust Fund Procedure:** *Caisse and Cromwell discussed procedures now that we have the paving and land survey invoices and we now need to move money in order to pay the invoices. Letters will need to be written from the select board to the treasurer and the trustees of the trust funds. Ezell motioned to authorize the transfer of funds to the trust funds as voted on articles 4 and 9 at town meeting. Caisse seconded, roll call vote was unanimous in favor.*
- **Block Grant – Kent Perry:** *Kent Perry discussed block grants going into the general fund and requested a new line item for his budget that has the amount. There is nothing about block grants in the town report and people like to see the amount added Perry. The select board and Cromwell discussed further and Cromwell requested that Perry attend a budget meeting to continue the discussion.*
- **Town Hall Storage Issue – Gail Cromwell:** *Ezell mentioned that the storage at the town hall is a mess and needs to be reorganized. Cromwell presented a document detailing who has what in the spaces and suggestions on how to allocate the space. The band will need to be notified as much of the space is occupied by them. Steve Cullinan from the drama club also spoke on what he could do to manage the clubs items. Hastings asked the board to send out a notice to the committees to go there and go through their items.*
- **Appoint Gail Cromwell to the Town Land Use Committee:** *Willard moved to appoint Cromwell to the Town Land use committee as recommended by that committee. Ezell seconded, roll call vote was unanimous in favor.*
- **Re-Appoint Peggy Cournoyer to the Village Green Committee:** *Willard motioned to re-appoint Cournoyer to the village green committee as recommended by that committee. Ezell seconded, roll call vote was unanimous in favor.*
- **Re-Appoint Matt Cabana to the Holiday Lighting Committee:** *Willard motioned to re-appoint Cabana to the holiday lighting committee as recommended by that committee. Ezell seconded, roll call vote was unanimous in favor.*

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- **Review and sign MS-1 Summary Inventory of Valuation:** *The board reviewed the MS-1 and signed the document.*
- **Review and sign MS-535 Financial Report of the Budget:** *The board reviewed the MS-535 and signed the document.*
- **Occupancy Permit – Hurwitt – ADU – Glen Farm Rd. (2019):** *The board reviewed and approved the permit.*
- **Occupancy Permit – Pascu/Radcliffe – Deck – Mountain View (2019)** *The board reviewed and approved the permit.*
- **Occupancy Permit – Reed – Remodel – Route 101 (2019)** *The board reviewed and approved the permit.*
- **Occupancy Permit – Viocal LLC – Round Pen – Spofford Gap (2019)** *The board reviewed and approved the permit.*
- **Junkyard Permit approval – Doug Guy:** *Caisse noted that he was unable to schedule the home inspection and will try again next week.*
- **Approve expenditures in excess of budget:** *The board noted that this has already been done and to notify Gary Scholl of that.*
- **Approve joint SB & BAC Meeting minutes September 1, 2021:** *Caisse motioned to accept the meeting minutes from September 1 as amended. Ezell seconded. Roll call vote was unanimous in favor.*
- **Approve Select Board Meeting minutes August 24, 2021:** *Ezell motioned to accept the meeting minutes from August 24 as amended. Willard seconded. Roll call vote was unanimous in favor.*

Other Business:

- **Warrant Article Procedure:** *Ezell noted we can defer this item for now but we need to make sure we have the procedure in place soon.*
- **Town Hall Rental Update:** *The board received a Town Hall request to possibly have a 80-100 person event. The board felt this event was too large for the building capacity.*

Committee Updates: *None*

At 7:50 Ezell motioned to go into non-public session. Caisse seconded, all in favor.

At 8:03 Ezell motioned to return to the public meeting. Willard seconded, all in favor.

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- **Meeting Adjourned:** 8:10 PM. *Motion by Ezell, second by Caisse, all were in favor, motion passed.*

Next Select Board Meeting: Tuesday September 28, 2021 at 6:30 PM at the town Hall. Meeting minutes respectfully submitted by Carole Singelais