

**TOWN OF
TEMPLE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
FINAL MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC MEETING
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Meeting held on the 8th of January 2013**

Board members present: J. Kieley, T. Petro

Call to Order by J. Kieley at 7:00 p.m.

1. Subject: The Board acknowledged receipt of a letter from Jim Houck regarding the Blood Road property and demolition of the houses on that property. Kieley will contact Houck to discuss the letter.
2. Subject: Jennifer Daler met briefly with the Board to inform them she had spoken with Senator Bragdon. Bragdon informed Daler that he would re-introduce the snow plowing bill. The Board requested that Daler inform Bragdon not to re-introduce the bill.
3. Subject: Reviewed and signed a building permit application for Nathan Ball.
4. Subject: Rose Lowry and Ken Sullivan representing the Planning Board met with the Board to discuss the Timber Top wind tower project petition to the State SEC. Kieley stated that the Town had received the petition via UPS on Dec. 24, 2012. According to the Attorney this does not constitute being "legally" served notice as it should have been hand delivered. Lowry explained that Timber Top has filed with the State for jurisdiction and they are using the arguments that the Temple and New Ipswich ordinances are different and too restrictive. The SEC will need to determine whether they will take jurisdiction of the project before any public hearings are held. Town Counsel has suggested a meeting between Temple and New Ipswich and both Town Attorneys to develop a course of action. Petro asked if the Planning Board would be making a recommendation to the BOS on a course of action. Motion by Kieley that if the Planning Board makes a recommendation the Board of Selectmen agree to contest the petition by Timber Top to the State Site Evaluation Committee to take over the jurisdiction of the Kidder Mountain/Timber Top wind tower site project in Temple and New Ipswich, second by Petro and voted in the unanimous affirmative. Kieley informed the Board that Town Counsel had suggested hiring an Attorney with experience in State jurisdiction. Moved by Kieley to authorize the Town of Temple to spend up to \$5,000 in external fees to deal with the State of NH regarding jurisdiction of the Kidder Mountain/Timber Top wind tower project, second by Petro and voted in the unanimous affirmative. The Board requested the Administrative Assistant schedule a special meeting with Selectmen Darnell so that Kieley and Petro could update on this information.
5. Subject: Reviewed and signed an intent to cut for Mike Barrett on the General Miller Hwy property.

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6. Subject: Wendy Drouin, Town Clerk and Jeanne Whitcomb, Tax Collector, met with the Board to discuss the decision made not to recommend the purchase of a new copier by the BOS and the CIP Committee. Drouin explained that the copier is 8 years old and the maintenance contract has increased in cost due to the age. Drouin also explained that no new parts are available, the glass has a scratch and has already been turned and there are problems with the drawer that holds the ledger size paper. Move by Petro that the BOS request the CIP Committee put the purchase of a new copier back into the budget and CIP program, second by Kieley and voted in the unanimous affirmative. Drouin spoke to the Board about the missing tiles in the lobby of the Municipal Building and requested that money be budgeted in 2013 to repair this problem. The BOS will look into getting a quote for repair. Drouin then suggested that shades be purchased for the windows at the Municipal Building. The new configuration has created the issue of people being able to see each workstation. This creates a problem when counting money. Petro suggested that Drouin research shades "half-way" decent shades for the windows.
7. Subject: Reviewed and signed audit letter with Melanson Heath and Co. for the 2012 audit.
8. Subject: The BOS acknowledged receipt of a letter from Shannon Kelley, Treasurer, in response to the letter the BOS had sent out with the tax bills explaining the 2012 tax rate. The BOS acknowledged that Kelley did not participate in the 2012 tax rate setting. It was also noted that the incorrect email address for Kelley had been corrected.
9. Subject: Kieley informed the BOS that Bruce Kantner has requested a discussion about the Converse Road Bridge with the BOS and the Road Agent. Petro suggested that Kieley, as Chairman, and the Road Agent meet with Kantner, Kieley agreed.
10. Subject: The Board requested that the Administrative Assistant send an email to the BAC to get an approximate date on when their recommendations to the BOS will be submitted.
11. Subject: Reviewed and signed the 5 year septage agreement with the Town of Merrimack as required by the State of NH DES.
12. Subject: Signed the 2013-2014 School Care agreement for employee health insurance.

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13. Subject: Move by Petro to accept the quote of \$1775 from Cartographics for updating the tax maps in 2013, second by Petro and voted in the unanimous affirmative. Kieley signed the contract as Chairman.
14. Subject: Signed a special event permit for the Village Green Committee.
15. Subject: Reviewed and signed vouchers.
16. Subject: The Administrative Assistant informed the Board that Travis Woodbury has not submitted an abatement application as of this date, pursuant to the November 13, 2012 motion to lower the assessment upon receipt of an abatement application. The town has given Woodbury's mortgage company the reduced tax amount based upon the recommended reduction in assessed value from Avitar Associates and the November 13, 2012 meeting with Woodbury. The Board requested that the A.A. draft a letter to Woodbury regarding this issue. The draft letter will be forwarded to Kieley for review.
17. Subject: Move by Kieley to adjourn, second by Petro. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Minutes submitted by Debra Harling, Administrative Assistant