

TOWN OF TEMPLE, NEW HAMPSHIRE

SELECT BOARD

MINUTES OF PUBLIC MEETING

Tuesday August 10, 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, Emily Sliviak, Ben Fisk, George Russell, James Stein, Allan Pickman.

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

Public Comment:

Robidoux provided a CAC committee update as follows;

- * Gail Cromwell and Mike Flynn resigned
- * The CAC has received support on the NHHFA Mini-Grant from 4 committees with 2 left to go
- * The final draft grant application will be brought to the select board on September 14th
- * Plan NH cannot offer Temple a charrette in 2021, most likely will be March/April 2022
- * Plan NH will give a presentation to the CAC on Sept 2nd at 7 PM, all boards and committees will be invited
- * Both CCI (Consolidated Communications), and the CAC will have a booth at the harvest festival. CAC will be promoting Board/Committee information, open positions, and the Plan NH Charrette on housing in Temple. Robidoux asked for additional topic suggestions.

George Russell asked the select board a question. Since they have granted Boo Martin permission to continue her Stepping Stones operation with conditions, which he believes are not being met, what can be done to enforce these conditions? He also noted that signs are being placed on his property. Russell also asked how long the special exception will take and how long can her operation continue. Caisse motioned to send Boo Martin another letter notifying her that she MUST follow conditions and not book any additional events outside the scope of what was initially agreed to. Willard seconded the motion, motion carried with Ezell abstaining. Caisse noted that the Fire Chief has a list of events through November that require a fire watch and will ask him to send us that list. Caisse noted Attorney Drescher will write the letter to Boo and it will be put on the webpage.

Old Business:

- **Marsh Litigation Update:** *Ezell stated we have a court bench trial scheduled for August 20th, 2022 and noted that civil suits are way behind due to Covid.*
- **Dark Sky Complaint Update:** *Ezell reported the town sent out a second warning letter to Mr. Moore. Willard added that Moore had called him stating he believes he is in compliance. Ezell reminded that lights cannot shine on neighboring properties nor can there be a glare. Ezell asked if we should find a code officer from another town and he noted there is one who works for Peterborough. Caisse asked about the cost and the budget. Ezell will find out the cost and report back.*

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- **Town Hall Floor:** – Ezell reported they have an idea of what might work to remove the red stickers from the town hall floor safely and noted they will try it.
- **Finalize Fire watch procedure:** – The budget committee has recommended a process which will be administered. Caisse was a bit perplexed with the process and noted that they need to approve the overage in the fire department stipends account. Ezell motioned to allow the overage in the FD stipend to cover the fire watches. Willard seconded, all in favor, motion passed.

New Business:

- **Library Appointment - Gretchen Whitcomb to replace MacLeavey 1 yr:** Lockwood spoke in favor of Whitcomb taking the position. Ezell motioned to approve Gretchen Whitcomb to finish out the remaining 1 yr. term of MacLeavey. Willard seconded, all in favor, motion passed.
- **ZBA Appointment – James Stein & Fiona Nixon:** Ezell informed everyone that James Stein has sent a letter of interest to the board to be appointed as a ZBA alternate. Stein commented that he has read the zoning rules and case files, has been in town for 8 years, and would like to start as an alternate so he can learn the role first. Stein was asked if he would be willing to step up and be involved in the current Martin case. Stein agreed. Caisse motioned to appoint James Stein as a ZBA alternate finishing Cromwell's term to 2022. Willard seconded, all in favor, motion passed. Ezell and Caisse noted that Nixon has not replied, returned calls, or showed up at any meetings and therefore should no longer be considered. The board also received a letter of interest from John Jackson-Marsh earlier in the day. It was noted that since Marsh is currently in litigation against the town, it would be a conflict of interest. Caisse noted we should confirm with legal that this would be a conflict of interest.
- **Re-appoint Deb Deleso – Renewable Energy Committee:** Willard motioned to re-appoint Deleso to the Renewable Energy committee for a 3 year term. Ezell seconded, all in favor, motion passed.
- **Review and approve Auditors draft Financial Statement and Rep letter:** The board reviewed and signed the rep letter. Caisse also read the side letter and had some questions. Robidoux asked if she could reach out to the auditors and schedule a meeting with the SB, BAC and the auditors to go over the audit report as they have done in the past. The board agreed.
- **Review Town Common and Ball field reservation forms:** Ezell updated the audience that the new forms have been created to keep track of the activity at these locations and not overbook. Caisse added that since COVID, there has been more interest in using outside spaces. After some discussion and edits, Ezell moved to accept the forms as amended. Willard seconded, all in favor, motion approved.
- **Approve Select Board Meeting Minutes July 27, 2021:** Ezell motioned to accept the July 27th minutes as amended. Willard seconded, all were in favor.

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Other Business:

Robidoux asked if the mobile vaccination van was still being considered. Caisse added that he felt there would not be a lot of interest and the volunteers would be stuck sitting around for nothing. It was decided to hold off and see if the FDA fully approves the vaccine, then maybe more people would be willing.

Committee updates: NONE

- **Meeting Adjourned:** 7:20 PM. Motion by Caisse, second by Willard, *all were in favor, motion passed.*

Next Select Board Meeting: Tuesday August 24, 2021 at 6:30 PM at the town Hall. Meeting minutes respectfully submitted by Carole Singelais

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