TOWN OF TEMPLE, NEW HAMPSHIRE

FINAL MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC MEETING BOARD OF SELECTMEN Meeting held on the 23rd of August 2011

Board members present: J. Kieley, T. Petro

Call to Order by J. Kieley at 7:01 p.m.

- 1. Subject: Tim Fiske, Road Agent, met with the Board to discuss driveways. Kieley summarized his impression of the forum stating that it seemed the majority of people attending would like to continue the plowing of private driveways; it did not appear that people wanted the BOS to be liable, or to sue the State. Kieley thought there appeared to be interest in proposing changes to the RSA's recognizing other cities and towns would fight against it. Kieley suggested that the Board continue working with Representative Daler, but in the meantime send a letter to the residents informing them that the town will not plow private roads and driveways in November and December. Daler will try to introduce legislation, but the outcome is not clear at this time. Petro will try to contact Senator Bragdon. Fiske stated that he would like to ensure that residents fully understand that there will be no driveway plowing this winter and that they understand the tax bills would be paying for the plowing that has already been done from Jan. through March. Honey Hastings suggested that the Board clarify the amount in the tax rate that could be attributed to the driveway plowing and also suggested that the Board mention the other options for driveway plowing that were reviewed. Kieley then stated that Steve Andersen and Brian Kullgren had slandered two citizens at the forum. Andersen's statement that Holt Lane has been extended 300" is an absolute lie and it is appalling that a citizen would have a discussion with the BOS office and that discussion would find its way to the "rumor mill" before the citizen has a chance to make his case to the BOS. Petro requested that it be noted Brian Kullgren did not speak at the forum.
- 2. <u>Subject:</u> Bruce Kantner met with the Board to discuss Jessen Lane. Kantner informed the Board that approximately a year ago a logging road into the property at Jessen Lane had been built and there had been material left. Kantner had spoken to Tim Fiske about changing Jessen Lane and was requesting information on the process. Fiske state that the only advantage to the town would be a good turn around for the truck, there would be no gain or loss of road length. Fiske also stated that the slope off to the side would need to be built up. The Administrative Assistant gave Kantner and the Board information regarding road lay-out.
- 3. <u>Subject:</u> The Board reviewed a letter from Avitar Associates regarding the assessment of telephone company property, which had previously been exempt from taxation. The Administrative Assistant will contact other towns to determine how they will handle assessments and billings. Signed the MS-1 extension request to be sent to the State of NH-DRA.

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- 4. <u>Subject:</u> The Board reviewed a building permit application for Rheaume for an in-law apartment. The Board requested that the Office Assistant verify the square footage and signed contingent upon the verification.
- 5. Subject: Signed an intent to cut for Kantner.
- 6. Subject: Signed yield tax warrants.
- 7. <u>Subject:</u> The Administrative Assistant spoke to the Board about a multiyear program with Primex, the town's workers compensation carrier, which would give the town a discount on workers compensation. The Board requested that copies be made for their review before a decision is made.
- 8. <u>Subject:</u> Move by Kieley to approve the 8/9/11 minutes as written, second by Petro and voted in the affirmative.
- 9. <u>Subject:</u> T. Fiske asked the Board about the parking area at Willard's Store. Fiske stated that he had informed the owners the town will not plow the area at the side/back of the store/Post Office; however the front of the store is either State or Town property. Move by Petro to continue to plow the town property in front of the store, based upon the survey information currently available, second by Kieley and voted in the affirmative.
- Subject: Fiske asked the Board's opinion on disposing of the window air conditioners. The Board authorized Fiske to sell the two units at \$20.00 each.
- 11. <u>Subject:</u> Fiske spoke to the Board about rebuilding the middle section of Old Firehouse Lane. Fiske estimated the cost to be \$10,000 to \$12,000. Fiske also stated that he would need to re-pave the areas in the center of town. Petro asked if there would be a cost savings if Old Firehouse Lane was done at the same time, due to the proximity. Fiske stated yes there would be a cost savings. The Board determined that winter sand should be purchased in 2011 and any new paving work should be budgeted for 2012.
- 12. <u>Subject:</u> The Board suggested they meet with Fiske at 5:00 pm on 9/13/11 to look at bridges.
- 13. <u>Subject:</u> Move by Petro to adjourn, second by Kieley. Meeting adjourned at 8:33 pm.