

TOWN OF TEMPLE, NEW HAMPSHIRE

SELECT BOARD

MINUTES OF PUBLIC MEETING

Thursday February 26, 2019

Town Hall Annex

6:30 PM

Select Board members present: G. Cromwell, B. Ezell, and K. Caisse

Meeting called to order by Ezell at 6:31 PM

- **Old Business**

- Propane Gas/Stove Situation at Town Hall

- **SB discussed the situation of the gas stove in the Town Hall kitchen being left on by rental visitors. Caisse said the Fire Chief George Clark suggested pulling the knobs off the stove when not in use, labeling the gas shut-off valve for the stove and leaving it in the off position when not in use. Caisse suggested a sign be posted explaining how to turn the gas on and noting where the knobs are to be kept when the stove is not being used. Discussion of recent incident at the Congregational Church where their stove had been left on and the fire department responded. Connie Kieley explained the difficulty in obtaining protective knob covers for the stove and that she would continue that effort. Firefighter Mike Connolly described the recent gas leak at the church and the meeting he had with church officials. He showed the SB the gas shut off valve in the kitchen's mechanical closet. Caisse motioned to remove the stove knobs, turn off the gas and post a sign regarding same, Cromwell second, all in favor.**

- **New Business**

- ConVal School District Advisory

- **Cromwell reported on the poll by regional Select Boards regarding the ConVal School District warrant. Town boards had voted 4-1 with 1 abstention against the district's 2019-20 budget (Peterborough the sole Yes vote); 2-2-2 on the teacher contract (2 abstentions), 4-0-2 (2 abstentions) against the bus article, 4-1-1 (1 abstention) against change in valuation (to a 60-40 split) for town contributions. Cromwell explained that were all articles to pass, the town would see an almost \$2 increase in the tax rate.**

- Home Business

- **Cindi and Mike Connolly of Webster Highway explained their proposal for a home-based dog boarding business for up to six dogs including their own, using their home and newly erected barn. Cindi explained that there would be a small sign at their driveway and distribution of pamphlets. They had checked**

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with the state about any permits, none of which are needed. They will be fully insured. SB members agreed that the business appears to fall under the Home Business I allowance of the Temple Zoning Ordinance. Caisse motioned to accept the Connolly proposal as being within the Home Business I allowance, Cromwell second, all in favor.

- E9-1-1 Data Operations Liaison
 - **Ezell signed the new E9-1-1 Data Operations Liaison Form from the NH Department of Safety, Division of Emergency Services and Communications, to make Assistant to Select Board Paul Clifton-Waite the Primary E9-1-1 Data Operations Liaison and keep Road Agent Tim Fiske as Secondary Primary E9-1-1 Data Operations Liaison.**

- Fish Road Building Issue
 - **SB discussed a Feb. 21 letter by Richard Fressilli at 404 Fish Road asking the SB for an update on his complaint about an alleged non-permitted shed at 380 Fish Road - in violation of setback requirements. Ezell said he will discuss with the Zoning Board of Adjustment a possible waiver of the \$250 application fee for the resident, Mr. DeRosier, to encourage him to submit an application to the ZBA. Cromwell motioned to table the matter, Caisse second, all in favor.**

- Town Road Agent Appointment
 - **SB discussed the impending change to having the Road Agent position be an appointed position on Election Day and the question of when to appoint Road Agent Tim Fiske for the remainder of his tenure pending his retirement in August. Caisse said he would like an exact retirement date from Fiske. Once an exact date is known, the SB could potentially meet on March 13th for 10 minutes to appoint Fiske as town Road Agent.**

- Town Hall Rental Fee Waiver
 - **SB discussed a request by Joyce Kullgren for the SB to waive the Town Hall rental fee for the upcoming March 16th retirement party for Tax Collector Jeanne Whitcomb. Cromwell motioned to waive the fee, Ezell second, all in favor.**

- Minutes
 - **Cromwell motioned to accept SB minutes from 2/14/19 as amended, Ezell second, all in favor.**

- Marsh Injunctive Relief Petition

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- **Cromwell presented the draft Superior Court petition for injunctive relief drafted by town counsel William Drescher in the matter of Town of Temple v. John H. Jackson-Marsh and Alan Marsh of 32 West Road for an alleged zoning violation due to an operation of a “motor vehicle junkyard” as defined under NH law and the zoning ordinance. She explained that the petition’s filing would be followed by sheriff’s service and a 30-day period for the defendant to respond. Caisse said he would like to talk with Drescher and was not comfortable signing the petition at this time. The SB discussed scheduling a meeting with Drescher for Thursday or Friday afternoon.**
- **Town Meeting Warrant Presentation**
 - **Discussion of who would move, second and speak to Town Warrant Articles at the March 16th Town Meeting. Using a chart prepared for use by the town moderator, the SB penciled in who would speak to Articles 4, 8, 9, and 12-13. Article 10 would be addressed by Matt Cabana or Gary Scholl, Article 11 by Rob Wills, and petitioned Article 14 by George Willard. Road Agent Tim Fiske would speak to Articles 5-7.**
- **Public Comment**
 - **None.**

Meeting Adjourned: 7:16 PM. Motioned by Caisse, seconded by Ezell, all in favor.

Next Select Board Meeting: Tuesday, February 26, 2019, at 6:30 PM in the Town Hall Annex. Meeting minutes respectfully submitted by Paul Clifton-Waite, Assistant to the Select Board.