

TOWN OF TEMPLE, NEW HAMPSHIRE

SELECT BOARD

MINUTES OF PUBLIC MEETING

Tuesday March 26, 2019

Town Hall Annex

6:30 PM

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

Meeting called to order by Ezell at 6:30 PM

- **Old Business**

- Election of Board Chair

- **Caisse suggested sticking with the policy of the Chair position going to the elder Board member. Caisse motioned to elect Ezell as Chair and Caisse as Vice Chair, Ezell second, all in favor.**

- Public Comment Period

- **Caisse motioned to move public comment period to the beginning of the meeting, Ezell second, all in favor.**

- Public Comment

- **ZBA Chair Mary Beth Ayvazian read aloud a statement from the Zoning Board of Adjustment in support of enforcement by the SB of the ZBA decision on an application and appeal by Alan Marsh and John Jackson-Marsh re: large quantity of vehicles and equipment on their West Road property. She noted that the SB had previously ordered the Marshes to comply with state and local statutes and had not appealed the matter to the NH Superior Court and, since the appeal period had lapsed, asked that the SB move to enforce the town zoning ordinance. She provided the SB with a copy of her statement.**
- **Scott Hecker of Hill road read aloud a statement as an abutter of the Marsh West Road property and his concerns with the heavy machinery and vehicles on the property and possible impacts on his property. He noted his property features a stocked trout pond and a drinking well, with nearly 1,800 feet of frontage on the eastern side and drinking well about 318 yards downslope from the heavy equipment on the Marsh property. He said logging on the Marsh property during the past 5 years had increased runoff. He noted that many pieces of equipment contain oil, fluids and fuel, and pose a risk to groundwater by leakage. He urged the SB to support the ZBA and make enforcement against the Marshes. His statement included printouts of photos of the property and equipment.**
- **Ezell explained to the public that litigation involving the town and the Marshes is in process and would be discussed in a non-public session later that evening.**

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In response to questions from Connie and John Kieley and Honey Hastings, Ezell noted that Town Attorney Bill Drescher had told them any litigation would be lengthy and would first need to include a 30-day notice to the Marshes to permit them a final opportunity to comply with local enforcement action. Caisse said they will ask Drescher if the town can act to inspect vehicles on the property in the interim. Ezell said the SB would likely announce any decision publicly after the non-public session.

- **New Business**

- Southwest Regional Planning Commission
 - **SB discussed a letter from SRPC re: New Hampshire Homeland Security Emergency Management (HSEM) availability of funding for the town to update its Hazard Mitigation Plan. SB noted that the plan has to be in place to obtain certain grants. Caisse motioned to move forward and update the mitigation plan, Willard second, all in favor.**
- Waiver of Town Hall Special Events Fee
 - **Ezell motioned for waiver of the \$100 Special Events fee be granted to the Drama Club for their upcoming May production, Caisse second, all in favor.**
 - **Honey Hastings explained the request for the Historical Society annual meeting and antique appraisal and presented a signed petition in support of the waiver of the \$100 Special Events fee. Ezell motioned to waive the fee, Caisse second, all in favor.**
- Appointment of ZBA as appeals body for SB on building permits
 - **Ezell motioned to appoint the Zoning Board of Adjustment as the appeals body on matters of building permits, Caisse second, all in favor.**
- Appointment of Deputy Treasurer
 - **Caisse motioned to appoint Christine Robidoux as Deputy Treasurer, Ezell second, all in favor.**
- Appointment of Deputy Tax Collector
 - **Caisse motioned to appoint Jeanne Whitcomb as Deputy Tax Collector, Willard second, all in favor.**
- Appointment of Conservation Commission alternate
 - **Ezell motioned to appoint Carol Mamczak as alternate member to the Conservation Commission, Caisse second, all in favor.**

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- Appointment of Recreation Commission members
 - **Caisse motioned to appoint Vivian Wills, Amy Cabana and Colleen Bouchard for 1-year terms on the Recreation Commission, Willard second, all in favor.**
- Appointment of Village Green Committee members
 - **Caisse motioned to appoint Matt Cabana to Village Green Committee, and to renew 3-year terms for Gail Cromwell, Robin Downes and Connie Kieley, Willard second, all in favor**
- Update to Town Hall Rental Fees, Rules, Regulations and Reservation Form
 - **Caisse motioned to circulate a 2-page notice regarding the Town Hall Rental Fees, Rules, Regulations and Reservation Form that includes a listing of town organizations and quasi-municipal organizations to reinforce the procedures for requesting waiver of Special Event fees and submission of reservation forms, fees and deposits, Ezell second, all in favor.**
- Building Permit
 - **SB signed the executed and complete building permit application from Annika Hurwitt of Glen Farm Road.**
- Select Board committee liaisons
 - **Willard agreed to serve as the ConVal School District Advisory Representative and with Ezell on the Joint Temple-Green Police Advisory Board. Caisse to remain on BAC.**
- Minutes
 - **Caisse motioned to accept SB minutes from the SB2 hearing as presented, Ezell second, all in favor. Caisse motioned to accept the minutes from 2/26/19 as amended, Ezell second, all in favor.**
- Non-Public Session
 - Employee Matters
 - **Caisse motioned to enter non-public session at 7:20 p.m. under the provisions of NH RSA 91-A:3 II(a) and (b), Willard second, all in favor.**
 - **Non-Public session minutes are on file and not sealed.**
- Return to Public Session
 - **SB reconvened the public session at 7:45 p.m., minutes recorded by Ezell.**
- Non-Public Session
 - Pending Litigation

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- **SB entered non-public session at 7:47 p.m. under the provisions of NH RSA 91-A:3 II(e).**
- Return to Public Session
 - Public Disclosure
 - **SB reconvened the public session at 8:02 p.m., minutes recorded by Ezell, and announced that they had i. appointed Kent Perry as the new town Road Agent, effective April 1, at a rate of \$24/hour, to replace Tim Fiske, who will continue to work as a highway employee until his retirement with the town in August, at a rate of \$24/hour, ii. hired Betsy Perry as clerical assistant to the Road Agent for 5 hours per week at a rate of \$20/hour, and iii. voted to proceed with the Marsh litigation.**

Meeting Adjourned: 8:04 PM. Motioned by Caisse, Willard second, all in favor.

Next Select Board Meeting: Tuesday, April 9, 2019, at 6:30 PM in the Town Hall Annex.

Meeting minutes respectfully submitted by Paul Clifton-Waite, Assistant to the Select Board.