

TOWN OF JEFFERSON
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
September 9, 2013

The regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen for the Town of Jefferson was held at the Selectmen Office Monday September 9, 2013 at 7:00 pm.

PRESENT: Kevin Meehan, Chairman and Tom Brady and Norman Brown members comprising a quorum of the Board.

OTHERS PRESENT: Linda Cushman, Assistant to Selectmen; Patricia Arnesen

Kevin Meehan opened the regular meeting at 7:05. The Board reviewed and approved the bills for payment next week and signed the warrants. The Highway Department report was reviewed. The warrants were signed.

A trapping permit for Robert Smith to trap at the Transfer Station property was approved and signed.

An abatement for Robert Couture for the building located on the Turnpike Road was approved and signed. The building was valued at \$300 and is the only property owned by Mr. Couture. The cost of collecting the \$6.00 tax outweighs the its value.

Norman Brown made a motion to accept the minutes of the August 26, 2013 meeting as written. Tom Brady seconded the motion. The motion carries.

Norman said that he has been reviewing the revised welfare guidelines and would like to hold the review by the Board until the next meeting. There are a couple of things that Norman said he would like to double check.

The Selectmen discussed what they would like to fund for the 2014 budget. It was suggested to look at funding to complete the work on the cemeteries, cleaning, repairing stones, and fixing or replacing fencing where needed. The other project would be raising the money to replace the Ingerson Road bridge and abutments. Fencing at the Forest Vale Cemeteries was discussed. Because of the proximity of the fence to the highway it was suggested to look at putting granite post with the chain. A&P Landscaping does stone work, perhaps they could reconstruct the pillars at the Starr King Cemetery.

Patricia Arnesen wanted to discuss with the Selectmen the payment agreement she had with the Town to repurchase the property at 1660 Presidential Highway that she had owned. She stated that due to reduction in her hours of work that she had not been able to keep up with the payments this summer. She asked if the Selectmen would grant her a few extra months. She was told that if the extension went into the next year that the property taxes for 2013 would have to be added to the amount that she owes. Ms. Arnesen said that she understood that. The Selectmen agreed to extend the repayment agreement with Ms. Arnesen and add the 2013 taxes when the rate was set. Full payment should be made by July 2014.

Norman said that he had talked with Bruce Hicks regarding the memorial to be created at the Honor Roll. Norman is looking at perhaps being able to get a donation from the VFW and American Legion groups in Whitefield as well as other organizations.

Tom made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Norman seconded the motion. The motion carries.

Being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,