

**Town of Woodstock
Selectmen's Meeting
Tuesday, February 24, 2015**

Selectmen: Jim Fadden Jr., Gil Rand

Staff: Judy Welch, Steve Welch

Public: Attorney Maria Dolder, Patrick Griffin, Michael Donahue

Jim called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Gil seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

Setback Waiver Request/Gagnon/9 Nicholson Drive:

Attorney Maria Dolder attended on behalf of her clients Carl and Linda Gagnon in connection with the property located at 9 Nicholson Drive to request a waiver from Section I, A, of the Town of Woodstock Set-Back Ordinance in order to allow the construction of a deck off the side of their house. Attorney Dolder explained that her clients are acting on the side of caution and requesting a waiver of up to a maximum of three feet from the set-back requirement in order to construct a deck. As a result they will still be maintaining a set-back of at least twelve feet from the property line. The Board appreciated Carl and Linda Gagnon acting on the side of caution however pointed out that they only need to meet a five foot set-back because they are abutting a property line not a right of way so a waiver would not be necessary.

Public Participation:

Michael Donahue:

Mike questioned the advertisement he saw in the paper concerning contracted services for the municipal water system. Mike expressed his concern with losing the community bond. The Board explained that with all the mandates that are required to run the water system it was more cost effective to contract out. The Board assured Mike that the community bond will still remain and the town will be working alongside the contractor.

Patrick Griffin:

Patrick expressed his disgust with the Board not closing the town offices when the Governor called a State of Emergency. Patrick questioned why they disrespected the Governor but closed the office and had all town employees attend an awards ceremony for Doug Moorhead. The Board took this under advisement.

Minutes of the February 10, 2015 Meeting:

Gil motioned to accept the minutes of the February 10, 2015 Selectmen's Meeting. Jim seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

Review Letter/Interest Abatement/Corbett:

The Board reviewed a letter from Cheryl & Kenneth Corbett asking the Board to consider waiving interest on the property they bought back in October located at 11 Jefferson Drive Unit 61. The letter explained that they never received a copy of the fall tax bill because they closed on the property as the bills were being mailed. The fall tax bill was never sent to them by the prior owner therefore Mr. and Mrs. Corbett do not feel they should be responsible for the 49 days of interest totaling \$32.64. Based on the standard practice associated with property transfers Gil motioned to deny this request. Jim seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

Application/Cascade Park/Josh Trot:

The Board reviewed an application from Josh Trot to use Cascade Park on May 30, 2015 for a wedding ceremony. Joel motioned to approve this application. Jim seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

Old Business:


New Business:

Judy notified the Board that the memo concerning town building maintenance and expenses was issued to all department heads on February 19th.

Signed Checks.

Jim motioned to adjourn the Selectmen's Meeting at 7:25 p.m. Gil seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

March 24, 2015


R.G. Rand