Town of Woodstock Selectmen's Meeting Tuesday, July 28, 2015

Selectmen: Jim Fadden Jr., Joel Bourassa, Gil Rand

Staff: Judy Welch, Steve Welch **Public:** Tanya Lopez, Terry Whipple

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

Public Participation:

Terry Whipple:

Terry informed the Board that he has a drainage issue coming from an abutting property. He says the property owner installed a catch basin that shoots into a 15 inch pipe that is full of mud, sticks, and rocks feeding directly onto his property. Terry says he has a 10 inch drainage pipe on his property that can't keep up with the storm water runoff therefore it is causing tons of damage to his property.

The Board explained that this might be a civil matter but they will look into it and see if there is anything they can do to help him. The Board suggested that Terry contact NHDES to see if they could provide any assistance.

Minutes of the July 14, 2015 Meeting:

Gil motioned to accept the minutes of the July 14, 2015 Selectmen's Meeting. Joel seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

DES/Brewery/Sample Wastewater Permits:

The Board has reviewed two sample permits, provided by Alexis from NHDES and an email from Kathy Welch from Welch's Wastewater. Kathy explained in her email that she has reviewed both permits, and thinks that it would be in the Town's best interest to seek additional help for this task. Kathy suggested contacting Granite State Rural Water or hiring an engineering firm. Kathy explained that she has noticed an increase in solid productions at the wastewater facility and asked the Board to consider having the brewery install a flow meter on their sewer line. Kathy would also like to schedule a visit to the brewery to see the upgrades they have made in their process. The Board took Kathy's recommendations under consideration but will contact Alexis to see if he can provide some more guidance.

Review Charter Communications Agreement:

The Board revisited the Charter Communication Agreement. Time Warner Cable, New Charter, and Advanced/Newhouse Partnership will merge into a parent company called Charter Communication. As a result the town's franchise will transfer to Charter, but there will be no assignment or transfer of the franchise or other system assets of the franchise. Jim motioned not to take action on this agreement. Gil seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

NHDOT/Drainage Issue/NH-112/Treolar & Gilman:

The Board reviewed a letter addressed to Mr. & Mrs. Treolar, dropped off at the town office by Gene Gilman, from NHDOT concerning the drainage culverts located by the Treolar and Gilman properties. The letter was

taken under advisement and the Board requested that a copy of this letter be placed in both of their property files.

NHDES/Shoreland Protection/Quinn/Map 110 Lot 021:

The Board reviewed a letter from NHDES concerning an inspection that was conducted at the Quinn property located on Eastside Road. The purpose of this inspection was to determine if the open roofed structure was in compliance with the Comprehensive Shoreland Protection Act. NHDES determined that they had no record of a permit issued to build the structure and gave Mr. Quinn 90 days to submit a completed Shoreland Application. The letter was taken under advisement and the Board requested that a copy be placed in the property file.

Public Works/ NH State Inspections:

Steve informed the Board that the Public Works Department will no longer conduct the NH State Inspections on any town vehicles. He feels it is a liability for the Public Works Department to conduct town inspections. All inspections will now be done by We Fix Trucks.

Steve LaFrance/Horizons Engineering/Waterline Update:

Steve sent an emailing informing the Board that he received an email, on Friday, July 24th, from Jim McMahon, NHDOT, with some preliminary review comments. Steve has made the changes, contacted the contractors, made bid documents, and sent them out Monday July 27th. He has set an August 10th bid date. He believes we will be able to meet the NHDOT's November 15th paving deadline.

New Cruiser Decals:

The Board reviewed pictures of the new cruiser and decal design. Joel motioned to approved both the cruiser and the decal design. Gil seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

Firefighter Fund Donations by Other Individuals/Gift to Town:

The Board has received final approval, from the town attorney and the Attorney General's Office, to finalize the setup of the Firefighter Fund. The Board asked that a representative from the fire department be invited to the next meeting to start the process and review all the documents.

Old Business:

New Business:

Signed Checks.

The Board was given a copy of the North Country Public Safety Foundation's Application for Public Safety Officer of the Year Award.

Gil motioned to adjourn the Selectmen's Meeting at 7:46 p.m. Joel seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

August 11, 2015