

**AGENDA**  
SELECTMEN'S MEETING  
Monday, March 9, 2009

Bob \_\_\_\_\_  
Joanne \_\_\_\_\_  
Keith \_\_\_\_\_

Final \_\_\_\_\_  
Accepted \_\_\_\_\_  
Accepted as Amended \_\_\_\_\_

**Present:** Bob Blodgett, Chairman; Keith Cota; Darlene Phelps, Recording Secretary

**Not Present:** Joanne Randall, Vice-Chairman

**Also in Attendance:** Dave Fiorentino; Andrew Walton; Rick Belanger; Glenn Horner; Layne Thomas; Nancy Wheeler; Gordon Ellis; Scott Elliott;

**6:15 PM** Bob called the meeting to order and asked Darlene Phelps to lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance

**6:15 PM** **Gordon Ellis** – Gordon said the roads are starting to get soft & he'd like to have the BOS blessing to start posting them. He said there are some dirt roads that are really a mess & he has some dirt coming tomorrow. Keith made a motion to allow Gordon to post the roads as he deems appropriate effective today. Bob seconded the motion. All in favor. Gordon introduced Scott Elliot as his new employee.

**6:41 PM** Keith made a motion to go into Non-Public Meeting Session for an Attorney / Client Consult. Bob seconded the motion. All in favor.

**7:15 PM** Keith made a motion to come out of Non-Public Meeting Session and resume our meeting. Bob seconded the motion. All in favor.

**7:30 PM** **Layne Thomas – President EYAA** – Mr. Thomas would like to construct one set of dugouts in the lower (Cutter fields). And if that goes well, he's already received approval from the School Board to construct another set. He has already spoken to Jay Hickey about placement, due to the Shoreline Protection Act. He has begun surveying the property, (he works for Jones & Beach Engineers and is able to use that equipment at no cost for this project) but has encountered some difficulty due to the steep slopes. He made contact with Eastern Topographics, and they have surveyed this entire property for the Town & suggested he obtain permission from the BOS to gain access to that information. Keith & Bob feel this is a valid request and Keith will write a letter to Eastern Topographics granting the release of this information.

Mr. Thomas is also concerned about the old railroad corridor, as that property is used by EYAA and the school for access to the ball fields. Cars travel too fast down that road and it's becoming a safety issue. The School Board has directed him to come to the BOS for a solution. A few ideas were discussed & Mr. Thomas will bring these ideas to the School Board at their next meeting on Wednesday.

Lastly, Mr. Thomas stated that there are 3 Verizon utility poles that currently do not have any wires attached to them. He wonders who owns these poles, as he

would like to eventually bring power to the ball fields. Bob suggested he speak to Gordon, as he may know about them. He has spoken to Unitil about installing power lines, but it's very expensive. Keith agreed to ask staff to investigate the pole licenses as they are located on town property.

#### FOR SIGNATURE

1. **Accounts Payable** – was signed
2. **Manifest** – was signed
3. **Payroll** – was signed
4. **Elderly Exemption** - was signed
5. **Silver Star Banner Day Proclamation** – Keith made a motion to approve the Silver Star Banner Day Proclamation for the Town of Epsom for the year 2009 in recognition of men & women who serve our country in the Armed Forces. Bob seconded the motion. All in favor.
6. **Kings Towne Mobile Home Park Agreement** – Keith made a motion to allow for an extension for the replacement of the damaged mobile homes to September 16, 2009. Bob seconded the motion. All in favor.
7. **Automotive Recycling Dealer Registration** - was signed
8. **Abatement / Refund (3)** – was signed

#### FOR DISCUSSION

- A. **Request for Abatement** – Keith made a motion to approve the abatement request from Roger & Patricia Britton for map/lot #U01-24 as recommended by the Town Assessors. Bob seconded the motion. All in favor.
- B. **Annual Agreement – Library** - Nancy made a few suggestions of changes to be made to this agreement. Keith suggested she type up these suggestions & give to the BOS next week – they will review it & then forward them to the Library Trustees for review.
- C. **Abatement Request for Timber Tax** – postponed to next week.

#### MINUTES FOR REVIEW AND DISCUSSION

- **Draft – March 2, 2009** – Keith made a motion to accept the minutes of 3/2/09 as amended. Bob seconded the motion. All in favor.
- **Final – February 23, 2009** – Keith made a motion to accept the final minutes of 2/23/09. Bob seconded the motion. All in favor.

#### CONFIDENTIAL

1. Devine Millimet Letters (2)
2. Ransmeier & Spellman

#### FOR YOUR INFORMATION ONLY (No action required)

- a. NH Highway Safety Agency – Approved - Sobriety Checkpoint Grant

- b. **NHDOT Homeland Security - Hanna** – Per Nancy, a public hearing will need to be held in for acceptance & expenditure of these funds in excess of \$5000.00. It will be held during our regularly scheduled BOS meeting on March 30, 2009.
- c. NHDES Replace Metal Culvert at Black Hall Road
- d. MetroCast Franchise Fee Revenue
- e. NHDMV Municipal Agent Official Audit Report
- f. **DRA Mini-Course – Current Use & Criteria** – Jay is attending this.
- g. Wetland Permit Application
- h. Town of Goffstown – Public Meeting Co-locate 6 antennas
- i. LGC Newsletter & NHMA Newsletter
- j. 2010 Census Commitment Guide
- k. CDBG – Family Estates
- l. NHMA Legislative Alert
- m. Miscellaneous Folder

### **ANY OTHER BUSINESS BROUGHT BEFORE THE BOARD**

Joanne sent the following liaison report by email:

There is a Hazard Mitigation plan Update Work Session this Wednesday at 6:30 at the PD. We are almost done the update. There will be a Public Information Meeting on the update on April 8, at 7pm at the Library. Once the update is completed, there will need to be a permanent Hazard Mitigation Committee established, overseen by the Planning Board, that will meet quarterly to review information that can be added to the Hazard Mitigation Plan during the next update. The Committee will most likely be comprised of the same people/departments that have been working on the update for the last few months.

The classes for Road Safety Audits for the Route 28 Corridor study have been completed. Dave Fiorentino and Gordon Ellis were there representing Epsom. I have spoken with Dave about doing a Road Safety Audit for Goboro Road (re: speed limit change request) and he will speak to Gordon about scheduling the time to get it done.

Website- Debbie has received some basic training on doing updates on the website and has begun to do updates with Norm's help.

Dick Verville offered/suggested a class for the Zoning Compliance Officer on 3/18, "Determining Substantial Damage and Improvement Workshop" put on by OEP/FEMA at the LGC (free class). Jay has signed up to be there.

Dawn has received information on two other Credit Card processing companies that she will interview. She has already interviewed MCC.

Joanne will be at the polls from about 9am-4:30 on Tuesday.

Keith said a meeting has been scheduled for March 24 for the Space Needs Committee / Town Office Committee. There is also a meeting on March 25 with the Merrimack County Sheriff's Department to continue discussion about dispatch.

Keith has had some discussions with the Design Engineer regarding the Bartlett project. He will be attending the Planning Board meeting on March 11 to continue these discussions.

**8:25 PM Keith made a motion to adjourn. Bob seconded the motion. All in favor.**