

Town of Cornish
Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
August 26, 2011 2:00pm

Present: John Hammond and Larry Dingee

1. Heidi Jaarsma came in to discuss the utility company pole tax assessment issue. Heidi will attempt to get more insight from Department of Revenue Administration as to the best way to approach the issue as we are getting ready to set this year's tax rate in October.
2. Reviewed mail
3. Signed Building Permit numbers 347-11 and 348-11 for Ellen Oberkotter.
4. Claire Doyle stopped in to inquire about the Duval property which they are trying to buy.
5. Anne Abbott came in to ask about the status of the road in Jonesville and the current use status of the lot that is for sale. Could the road be brought up to Class 5 status? The Board will stop by for a look.
6. Chris Michaud stopped to update the Board on the noise issue with the kennel by their home. She dropped off notes with times that they have kept.
7. Board of Selectmen left to go to Stage Coach Road for road layout with Carol Rennie, John Auten, Troy Simino, Kyle Witty and Laird Klingler to determine the location of the right of way for the new portion of road. Board of Selectmen will get in touch with a surveyor.
8. Board of Selectmen met at the end of Jonesville Road with Anne Abbott and Kyle Witty to look at what would be needed to be done if she desires to build a home on the Class 6 portion. She will get back in touch if she is going ahead with the project.

Respectfully submitted,
Larry Dingee

Town of Cornish
Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
September 2, 2011 2:00pm

Present: John Hammond, Larry Dingee and Merilynn Bourne

1. Kyle Witty was asked how the roads were doing by Merilynn Bourne. All repairs have been done and he related what work could be done in the future.
2. Larry Dingee called Chris Payton to return his call. He will be in Town next Friday to look at what needs to be done for surveying on Stage Coach Road.
3. Dale Rook came in to inform the board that George Aldrich intends to "get done" from his work at the Recycling Center. The intention is that he would remain on as a volunteer. Dale Rook would like the Board to replace him with Will Reid. He also stated who the other people are that he would like to have help out on a part time basis.
4. Kyle Witty reported on a slide that occurred on Leavitt Hill Road just above the culvert on the Debrah Dingee property. The Selectmen will address it with her. His concern is that the debris would plug the culvert should another storm come along. He stated that it appears the stumps had been pushed over the bank above which may have aggravated the situation.
5. Theresa Conrad called to report that her neighbor's septic system has been failed for quite some time. The Board said they will try to contact the Health Officer on this matter.
6. Mary Boyle and Bill Cable came in to inquire about the actions taken by the Board in regards to improving the foundation and moisture issues under the Town Office.

7. On October 5th the energy commission wants to have a speaker to speak on household weatherization program with the desire to be able to raise money to help with the second phase energy audit. The commission would like to meet with the Board to see where they could help to deal with their recommendations. We will meet with them on September 23rd at 4:00pm.
8. Anne Hier and Connie Kousman came in to inquire as to the status of the stove at the Town Hall. The Board will inquire with the Fire Chief to see if the stove can still be used pending next years budget.
9. Selectmen processed the abatement request from Rick and Carol Bean. Their revised assessment will reflect a \$106,800 reduction in value.
10. Call Gary Merrill of Blue Mountain Forrest Association and left a message form him to call the office to talk about the Planning Board process we need to follow.
11. Mike Fuerst called to inquire as to what could be done to improve the situation at the School Street dam. Board of Selectmen filled him in on the Grant application with FEMA for hazard mitigation funds. Board of Selectmen suggested that he contact Kyle Witty to discuss his opinion.

Adjourned at 5:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Larry Dingee

Town of Cornish
Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
September 9, 2011 2:00pm

Present: John Hammond, Merilynn Bourne, Larry Dingee

1. Eric Cooper met with Selectmen for a building permit. Replacing structure on existing foundation. Permit #349-11
2. Theresa Conrad called the Selectmen to report that Jeff Ketchum will be inspecting her neighbor's leach field on Saturday. John asked about her neighbor's chickens and cats. Theresa has spoken with our Police Chief about the issue. The chickens are free range and leave droppings all over her lawn and the cats are all over her cars. The neighbors have just started putting in fencing but the animals are still running free. John responded that we would be talking with the Chief for an update.
3. Bill Wall met with Selectmen to discuss the damage to his property from the flooding from Hurricane Irene. He would like the Selectmen to write a letter to the state requesting that they remove the build up under the bridge on Route 120 to avoid water from backing up in future flood times. Bill provided the address: Alan Hanscom, District Engineer, NHDOT, 8 Eastman Hill Road, Enfield, NH 03748.
4. Larry left the meeting to show the proposed road layout on Old Coach Road to a surveyor.
5. Connie Kousman and Ann Hier met with selectmen to inform the board of a donation to the Foss Kimball fund for aid to those in need. \$100.00 has been sent in. Board will talk with the trustees of the trust funds to see how to use the money so it does not become principal. We will also ask about the Cornish Welfare Fund.
6. Selectmen spoke with Swenson Insurance for clarification on an insurance issue. Fred Clements assured the selectmen that the certificate in our hands met the requirement.

7. John Hammond moved to award the bid for the new fire truck to Dingee Machine, as low bidder who has met all the specifications. Merilynn Bourne seconded. The vote was John, "Aye". Merilynn, "Aye". The other bidders were notified of the successful bid via email.
8. Paul Whalen met with Selectmen to report on a grant opportunity that could help with payment for the new fire department Engine. He will research restrictions.
9. Selectmen discussed Old Coach Road and the Duval petition. Merilynn recommends legal consultation before proceeding. The Board agrees.
10. Selectmen discussed Bill Ladd's application for current use for the two acres he just acquired. We need to review his request for "unproductive" status. Larry thinks it should be unmanaged forest. Board feels it should be the same category as the land it's adjoining.
11. Merilynn reported on her site visit of the land slide on Deb Dingee's land. John reported on his conversation with Troy Simino after Troy visited the site. Troy could not see evidence of any wrong doing on anyone's part. Circumstance of too much rain. The debris does need to be removed from the area of the brook. Merilynn reports that an engineer will be looking at it to see how to stabilize the bank. Merilynn will continue to monitor the situation.
12. Paul Duval called to speak with the Selectmen about the road issue. Merilynn commented that we needed legal advice regarding "process". Paul will call back next week.
13. Selectmen discussed changing Workman's Comp coverage from Primex to LGC. LGC will get us a quote.
14. Paul Whalen called to report we are "good on the grant"...since we have not yet taken delivery.
15. Adjourned, 5:00pm