

**TOWN OF
TEMPLE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
FINAL MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC MEETING
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Meeting held on the 13th of May 2009**

Board members present: J. Kieley, T. Petro, M. Darnell

Call to Order by Kieley at 7:03 p.m.

1. Subject: Mark Stetson from Avitar Associates met with the Board to give an update on the progress of the 2009 assessment revaluation process. Stetson informed the Board that Avitar has started analyzing property sales; however, there have not been many sales in the Town of Temple. Stetson explained the 5 year cycle of verifying data and the mass appraisal process. It appears that values are below the 2004 values and may drop approximately 6% to 7% with the exception of undeveloped building lots. Undeveloped building lots will lose their "development" discount, due to the supply and demand concept. There are very few lots for sale in Temple. Stetson informed the Board that notices of the new values will be mailed 5/14/09. Phone calls to set up appointments for hearings will be 5/22, 5/26, 5/27 and 5/28. Hearings will be held at the Town Hall on 5/29, 6/2, 6/3 and 6/4. Stetson mentioned to the Board that there may be confusion on the first tax bill, which is an estimated billing and by law is, based upon the prior years' assessment at ½ the prior years' tax rate. There was discussion about putting notices in with the first tax bill.
2. Subject: Wayne Edwards met with the Board to discuss a "Music Fest" being planned for 8/16/09 to benefit the Recreation Commission. Edwards requested permission to barbeque turkeys and to dig a pit on the Common to bake beans. The pit and barbeque would be on the outside of the Common fencing. The Board agreed to the barbeque and bean pit on the condition that there would be no burn marks on the Common and the pit would be filled in and brought back to as close to original condition as possible. Edwards will save the sod to replace over the filled in pit. The Board also requested that Edwards or Joe Cournoyer, Chairman of the Recreation Commission, contact Police Chief McTague to determine whether Police presence would be required.
3. Subject: The Board reviewed a memo from Vivian Nicholl, Chair of the Time Capsule Committee, regarding the time capsule. Nicholl informed the Board that the time capsule will not be put into a boulder, due to the cost. The Committee is now recommending that a bench be erected on the Common, in the spot originally designated for the boulder, with the time capsule sealed in an enclosed area under the bench. Wayne Edwards briefed the Board on the plans for the bench. Edwards informed the Board that Steve Cullinan had agreed to donate labor for the erection of the bench. The Board approved the concept of the bench but requested more detailed information before giving final approval. Edwards also reviewed information regarding the 12" x 12" bronze plaque the Committee is planning on purchasing for \$424.00.

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4. Subject: Jonathan Sawyer met with the Board to update them on his 2008 request to tap the maple trees on the Municipal Building property. Sawyer informed the Board that he had not finished tapping trees due to the December 2008 ice storm and therefore had a small yield for the 2009 season. Sawyer will complete the tree tapping in the fall of 2009 for the 2010 season. The Board approved Sawyer's 2010 tapping of the maple trees.

5. Subject: Tim Fiske, Road Agent, met with the Board to review several items. Fiske informed the Board that Bruce Heck is approximately $\frac{3}{4}$ through the road debris cleanup mileage wise from the December 2008 ice storm damage, brush clearing is approximately $\frac{7}{8}$ done. The company that will chip the debris being left at the new cemetery will be in at the beginning of June 2009. Jim Koster has completed the hangar removal from the ice storm damage.
Fiske informed the Board that he had contacted Tom Fargo at the DES regarding the DERA grant the Town had applied for to help with the road grader purchase. Fargo told Fiske that official notification of grant awards would be made the week of 5/18. Fiske stated that the Town needs to move forward on the purchase of the new road grader, or he will need to do repairs on the current road grader. Fiske reviewed the different road graders with the Board. The Caterpillar grader is \$198,000, with the snow plow equipment; the John Deere grader is \$199,000, with the snow plow equipment; the Volvo grader is \$220,000, with the snow plow equipment. All prices are including a trade-in value of \$31,000 for the current grader. Fiske said that the John Deere snow plow equipment is a lighter grade than the Caterpillar and the Volvo grader is a heavier duty grader than the Town needs. Fiske has been negotiating with Caterpillar regarding an extended warranty, which would increase the final cost. It was agreed that the Town would purchase the Caterpillar grader and Fiske will continue to negotiate an extended warranty. New quotes will be obtained from Citizens Bank, Ocean Bank and the NH Bond Bank for a \$220,000 note for both 4 years (recommended by the CIP Committee) and 5 years (recommended by the BAC). The Board will finalize information at the 5/26/09 meeting.

6. Subject: Move by Kieley to appoint David Martz and Paul Martin to the CIP Committee for three years each ending March 31, 2012, second by Darnell and voted in the unanimous affirmative.

7. Subject: Move by Kieley to approve the 4/28/09 minutes as written, second by Darnell and voted in the unanimous affirmative.

8. Subject: Petro congratulated the Friends of Temple Town Hall on the award from the NH Historical Preservation Society for the work done on the Town Hall.

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9. Subject: Connie Kieley, representing the Friends of Temple Town Hall, informed the Board that once the painting on the Historic portion of the Town Hall has been completed the windows will be washed inside and outside. C. Kieley requested the Board appropriate \$120.00 to have the windows in the Annex washed at the same time. Move by Petro to authorize having the windows washed at the Town Hall Annex at a cost of \$120.00, second by Kieley and voted in the unanimous affirmative. C. Kieley also informed the Board that LCHIP will cover the cost of installing handrails on the steps at the front entrance to the Town Hall. C. Kieley asked the Board to look at the possibility of having the flag pole in front of the Town Hall painted. There was also discussion of having the vinyl siding at the Municipal Building pressure washed.

10. Subject: Reviewed and signed vouchers.

11. Subject: The Board discussed a letter from Roberta Bergeron, further discussion will occur at the 5/26/09 meeting.

12. Subject: Move by Kieley to adjourn, second by Darnell. Meeting adjourned at 9:02 pm.

Minutes submitted by Debra Harling, Administrative Assistant