

Barbara Campbell_____

John Allen_____

Frank DiFruscio_____

**Board Of Selectmen Meeting
September 14th, 2021
UNOFFICIAL UNTIL APPROVED**

Present: Barbara Campbell, Chairman; John Allen, Selectman, Frank DiFruscio, Selectman

Attendees: Hank Benesh, George Howard, Frank Benesh, Chris Bridge, Jim Lewkowicz

1. Meeting called to order at 3:30 P.M.
2. Chairman Campbell led the attendees in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **Approval of Minutes:** Minutes from the August 24th public hearing and regular meeting were reviewed. **Selectman Allen moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Selectman DiFruscio. Motion approved unanimously.**
4. **For Selectman Discussions and/or Motions:**
 - a. Benesh Driveway: The Board received an email from attorney Jeremy Eggleton, representing Frank Benesh, requesting reconsideration of their decision to deny Frank's driveway permit for Lot R08-11-D. **Selectman Allen moved to reconsider the permit application, seconded by Chairman Campbell. Motion approved 2-1; Chairman Campbell and Selectman Allen voted in favor, and Selectman DiFruscio voted against.**
Selectman Allen explained that the driveway permit application had been completed and submitted and had been found satisfactory to the Board's requirements. He stated his opinion that any issues outside of the application should be handled outside of the Board of Selectmen. Chairman Campbell agreed with Selectman Allen, but Selectman DiFruscio insisted that the proposed location of the driveway on common land still ought to bar the application from approval. **Selectman Allen moved to approve the application, seconded by Chairman Campbell. Motion approved 2-1; Chairman Campbell and Selectman Allen voted in favor, and Selectman DiFruscio voted against.**

- b. Gray's Inn Garage: Chairman Campbell was unable to meet previously with invested parties but stated her intent to meet with road agent Pat Kelley, Fire Chief Jay Henry, and others to have property inside the garage labeled for ownership, to determine who is using what space, and to properly secure the garage and its contents.

5. Short-Term Rentals (STRs):

- a. New: Chairman Campbell noted comments from the Planning Board that both of the new applications were managed by the same company. This company did not include copies of advertisements with their applications but promised to provide said copies once the applications were approved. Selectman Allen suggested that the applications could be approved, but if the advertisement(s) later supplied did not comply with regulations, the property owner(s) would be sent a violation. The Board agreed with this suggestion.
 - i. Ramsbottom, Peter Scott - 20B Cottage Drive: **Approved.**
 - ii. Hogoboom, Chase C. - 21 Hutmens Heights Lane: **Approved.**
- b. Pending:
 - i. Carter Notch Inn: No updates were available at time of meeting.
 - ii. Zerveskes, Troy and Kelly - 30 Red Barn Road: No updates were available at time of meeting.
 - iii. O'Brien: 7 Hurlin Drive: No updates were available at time of meeting.

6. Upcoming Meetings: The Board confirmed the following dates and times for their upcoming meetings. Chairman Campbell stated her intent to set up Zoom meetings to allow for optional remote attendance at each upcoming meeting.

- a. September 28th at 3:30 P.M.
- b. October 12th at 3:30 P.M.
- c. October 26th at 3:30 P.M.

7. Public Comment: George Howard was recognized to comment. George requested more information from the department heads regarding the safety of the community. The Board understood George's concerns but stated that such information could be discussed directly with the department heads at one's convenience outside of Board meetings.

8. Other Business: Selectman Allen moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Selectman DiFruscio. Motion approved unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 3:51 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by Will Reisig