

Bob Thompson



Richard Bennett



Selectmen's Board Meeting

October 12, 2017

Present: Bob Thompson, Chairman, and Richard Bennett, Selectmen

Visitors: Town Administrator Julie Atwell, Videographer Hank Benesh, Building Inspector Kevin Bennett, Stan Weiss, George Howard, and Bea Davis, Laura Magasanik, Priscilla Protasowicki

Chairman Bob Thompson called the meeting into public session at 4:00PM.

1. Amend & approve minutes

- a. Selectmen's Meeting – Sept. 14, 2017 - **Selectman Thompson, seconded by Selectman Bennett, made the motion to table the minutes. The motion passed unanimously.**
- b. Selectmen's Meeting – Sept. 28, 2017 - **Selectman Thompson, seconded by Selectman Bennett, made the motion to table the minutes. The motion passed unanimously.**
- c. Non Public Session – Sealed Minutes

2. Update on Action Items

- a. The Selectmen decided to say yes to the Census.
- b. No one in town, Highway or Fire, wants the shed. Maybe we can use the shed at the ball field for storage and turn the dugout into a public rest room. The Chamber of Commerce would support that and help with the financing. Selectman Thompson feels that a lot more information is needed.
- c. Upcoming Meetings

Thursday Oct 26th - 4:00 PM - Selectmen's Meeting
Thursday Nov 9th - 4:00 PM – Selectmen's Meeting
Thursday Nov 30th - 4:00 PM – Selectmen's Meeting
Thursday Dec 14th – 4:00 PM - Selectmen's Meeting
Thursday Dec 21st – 4:00 PM - Selectmen's Meeting

3. Public Comments – The following is a letter read into the record by Priscilla Protasowicki to Selectman Bob Thompson:

Apart from being deeply disturbed and heartbroken by the unprofessionalism I have seen here in Jackson by our very own police force, I find it more compelling to attend as many Town Meetings as possible because of the corruption and abuses taking place all over the country by the men and women serving who have lost their sense of moral direction. This is not my own personal agenda, but as a service to the people and safety of this town, I feel compelled to speak on behalf of this issue. I have seen scandal after scandal take place in Jackson, Bartlett, Conway, and many other places all over the entire country.

Wherefore, officers are not enforcing the laws, not obeying the laws, and have experienced my own share of abuse. I have a private meeting set up on the 26th with the Town Selectmen to address them in more details. This is all I will further say on this issue, until then.

This is not the only reason I am here. There is more to be addressed. Yesterday I met with the town Fire Inspector. Being a resident for over 15 years, my family and I have done a decent job in keeping up with the many fire codes. However, we also have felt that some of the fire inspectors have been overreaching in their demands on mom & pop establishment such as ours. For example, yesterday, I was told that CO2 detectors must be installed in every unit and every room. There are about 30 units in the main lodge that have never contained or used any type of carbon monoxide device that uses a method of burning solid, liquid or gas fuel. This fact should exempt us from acquiring CO2 detectors, however we would like that clarified, because we still use oil to heat our hot water. Although, the chances of a hot water device emitting toxic levels of CO2 are slim, we want to come to a mutual agreement on how many of these CO2 detectors are really needed.

My last purpose for being here is to request a better understanding of the trash removal procedures and find a possible remedy to better suit our needs as a lodging establishment. I have lived here long enough to remember a time when we would bring our trash to the dump and they would sort out and recycle it for us. They stopped doing that for quite some time, and now they have heavily mandated that we must sort our and recycle all of our trash by ourselves. I have personally always been a proponent of recycling, but the demands on an establishment run by my elderly parents and I make recycling extremely unrealistic. We have trash piling up and not enough hands or time to dig through so much trash left for 100's of hotel patrons. My father, Alex, who has in the last year suffered a debilitating hip injury, a severe stroke and now will soon need heart surgery has been single-handedly sorting out trash from 100's of hotel patrons who have stayed here. This is becoming a tremendous burden for us. I would be enthusiastic, if this was a single-family dwelling required to recycle, however we are extremely burdened by having to dig through 100's of bags of trash in order to sort everything out. Please take this issue seriously, because we don't want to fall behind on our many responsibilities.

4. Building Inspector:

- a. Weekly Report – Kevin Bennett
- b. Building Permits

1. 2017-63/V08-L57 /Owner – Decubellis/ 28 Juniper Way/Finish Basement add 8'x8' shed
2. 2017-64/R31-L09/Owner – Wing/ 46 Heard Road/Add 16'x28' covered carport
3. 2017-65/V08-L04/Owner – Clark/ 20 Christmas Farm Lane/Replace Windows, House Repairs
4. 2017-66/V01-L37C/Owner – Sevee/ 3B Fairview Drive/Update Master and Guest Bathrooms with new showers, sinks and flooring, Add Wood Flooring to 2 Floor and Stairs
5. 2017-67/V06-L01/Owner – Trond/ 3 Mountain View Road/Remodel existing drywall, Add Vinyl Windows, Change Roof Pitch and Add Metal Roof
6. 2017-68/V04-L34/Owner – Carroll/ 4U03 Meadow Lane/ Kitchen Remodel- Replace kitchen cabinets, counter, flooring and appliances.
7. 2017-69/V04-L17/Owner – Pendleton/ 7 Sugar Hill Lane/ Remodel- drywall and paint new bathrooms in existing space.
8. 2017-70/V02-L28/Owner – Burr/ 4 Ditson Drive/ 13x20 Addition, 13x13 Living Room, 7x13 Full Bathroom and Washer Dryer
9. 2017-71/V05-L04/Owner – Braun/ 130 Whitney Hill Loop/ Permit Renewal for 12x12 Sunroom

5. New Business

- a. MS 60 Review- Julie said there were a couple of recommendations from Crane And Bell. Tammy has suggested that Karen switch over to the Avatar Software to improve how she processes licenses. Karen Said that Avatar is great software with great backup tech support but is a little expensive. It would be Karen's software choice. The one time purchase price would be \$7900 and would cost \$2857 annually. This software will make the procedure a one-check system and also allow credit cards at the window. **Selectman Bennett, seconded by Selectman Thompson, made the motion to acquire the new software. The motion passed unanimously.**
- b. 2017 Education Tax Warrant – FYI – In accordance with the provisions of RSA 76:8II, you are hereby required to assess the sum of \$822,879 for the 2017 Education Tax. Per RSA 76:3, this rate is based on a uniform rate of \$2.260/1000 of the equalized 2015 valuation without utilities in the amount of \$390,654,554.
- c. Ray Abbott passed away over the weekend. The family wished to read in the following information: Raymond H. Abbott Jr. (86) of Jackson New Hampshire passed away on October 3rd 2017 at Memorial Hospital. He was a fifth generation Jackson native and the son of Ray Abbott Sr. and Elizabeth Cotton Abbott. Ray will be missed by his family and many others in the community. The community is invited to his funeral service, which will be held at the Jackson Community Church on Friday morning October 13th at 11:AM. This will be followed by a brief graveside service at the

village's cemetery with military honors and a reception at the Red Fox. Family, friends, and neighbors are invited to join Ray Abbot's family for these observances.

6. Old Business - None

- 7. Public Comment** – George Howard wishes to have better updates on the state of the budget and will re-submit a proposal to address the issue again.

There being no further business, the public meeting was adjourned at 4:33 PM.

Respectfully Submitted by:
Amiee Murphy
Recording Secretary