Bethlehem Board of Selectmen

Meeting Minutes

Bethlehem Selectmen Office

March 31, 2014

Present: Chairperson Laleme, Selectman Blanchard, Selectman Culver, Selectman Glavac, Selectman Fiorentino

Chairperson Laleme opened the meeting at 6:00pm.

The pool committee came before the Board to discuss lifeguard chairs. The committee members explained that Profile High School students will be building the chairs but they need to buy the supplies for the chairs. It would cost approximately $300.00 for both of the chairs. Chairperson Laleme suggested taking the money out the operating budget from maintenance or supplies. Rhienna Miscio said the chairs have to be able to be moved so the lifeguard can move it if they cannot see the bottom of the pool due to glare. It was decided to take the money out of the operating budget. There was discussion about the process to access the money in the escrow account. The committee was told the same way they were doing it before, they could bring in the receipts and/or bills and the Board would sign off on them and the bills would get paid out of the escrow money.

The Board discussed the typo on the sale property list for the property on Railroad Street (Littleton Street). The difference in the minimum bid amount is $950.00. Chairperson Laleme moved to keep the property in the sale. Selectman Culver seconded. Carried 5-0.

The Board reviewed a request from Adair Inn to serve liquor at their outside area. Chairperson Laleme moved to approve the request. Selectman Blanchard seconded. Carried 5-0.

The Board reviewed the Conservation Commission appointment requests from Cheryl Jensen. There was discussion about not being able to have more than one person who serves on both the Conservation Commission and the Planning Board. There was also discussion about whether the available spots were posted. Selectman Blanchard moved to accept the appointments for Phyllis Bellavance and Margaret Gale. Selectman Fiorentino seconded. Carried 5-0. Selectman Culver moved to waive legal advice. Selectman Fiorentino seconded. Carried 5-0. Chairperson Laleme read the advice from LGC about having more than 1 person being on the Conservation Commission and Planning Board. Selectman Fiorentino will talk with Cheryl Jensen and Chris McGrath about it to see if it can be worked out.

The Board reviewed a quote from Photo Factory to frame some old aerial photos of Bethlehem. The Board requested that we get another quote.
The Board reviewed a letter they received requesting that their property assessment get reviewed. Chairperson Lalame moved to send a letter stating it is too late for an abatement and direct them on the info to file an abatement for next year. Selectman Blanchard seconded. Carried 5-0.

The Board discussed brochures for the visitor’s center. Selectman Blanchard will meet with Carole Hammarberg to go over this.

The Board reviewed the survey done by Kevin Morse of the Cedarcroft property. The Board discussed how they now need to do the lot line adjustment and have the Planning Board Chairperson sign it.

The Board reviewed and signed abatements.

The Board reviewed the hazard mitigation grant bill. Selectman Culver moved to issue the payment. Chairperson Lalame seconded. Carried 5-0.

Chairperson Lalame told the Board that it has been requested that the Town Building put blue lights on to support Autism Awareness. Chairman Lalame moved to put blue lights in front of the Town Building for the month of April. Selectman Blanchard seconded. Carried 5-0.

It was stated that the draft audit for 2012 is available in the office.

The Board reviewed the minutes from 03/24/14. Selectman Blanchard moved to approve the minutes as written. Selectman Fiorentino seconded. Carried 5-0.

Selectman Culver said he wanted to make sure people were aware that the Town has not approved the skate park project that people are fundraising for and also said it is not a Town project.

Selectman Glavac said he will write up a description of the Broadband committee and will post that they are looking for committee members.

Selectman Blanchard asked about a letter to Victor Hoffman about the chamber. April will check the minutes about this.

Peter Roy asked if he could paint the display cases that he refurbished a couple of years ago. He said he would supply the paint and just wanted the Board’s ok. The Board said he could do the work.

Jeanne Robillard asked if the Town will be having Aries review the expansion application from NCES. Ms. Robillard said in the past the Town would have Aries review the application. Chairperson Lalame said she would review the application and look into that. Ms. Robillard said municipalities shouldn’t have to pay the price to have the application reviewed.

Julian Czarny said there have been abatements and reimbursements because of KRT cleaning up the mess from Purvis. He asked the status of the Town recouping monies paid to Purvis. Chairperson Lalame said it has been referred to legal.

At 6:55 Chairperson Lalame moved to go into non public session per 91A for matters of personnel.
Selectman Culver seconded. Chairperson Laleme did roll call with all members agreeing to go into non-public session.

The Board reviewed new hire forms for Country Club employees. Chairperson Laleme moved to approve and sign the hire forms for Robert Liang, Matt Courchaine, Jon Baker, and Cynthia Hanson. Selectman Glavac seconded. Carried 5-0.

Selectman Blanchard moved to allow coach for 3 & 4 grade to coach. Selectman Fiorentino seconded. Carried 5-0.

At 7:30 Chairperson Laleme moved to come out of non-public session. Selectman Fiorentino seconded. Carried 5-0.

At 7:30 Chairperson Laleme moved to adjourn. Selectman Blanchard seconded. Carried 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

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