# Kingston, New Hampshire Board of Selectmen Meeting of June 4, 2012 MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 PM in the Selectmen's Office of the Kingston Town Hall. In attendance were Chairman Mark Heitz and Selectmen Peter Broderick and George Korn.

#### **Discussion of Street Lighting Adjustments**

The Board reviewed a listing of street lights proposed by Police Chief Donald Briggs to be removed in order to allow critical street lights along Route 125 to continue in use. The Route 125 street lights are scheduled to be discontinued by the state, but Chief Briggs feels that they have contributed to lower accident rates and should be retained. He has identified lights throughout town that he feels can be removed without impacting safety, and recommends that with savings realized by their removal, the town can keep the Route 125 lights in service. The Board suggested that Chief Briggs ascertain that the state definitely is planning to make their proposed changes and, if so, that he move ahead with the planned discontinuances.

## Police Details for Kingston Days Approved

At the request of Selectman Broderick, the Board approved having a police detail for the Plains on the Friday and Saturday nights of Kingston Days, with the expense to come from the detail fund. The detail will extend from 8:00 pm until 6:00 am on each day.

## Building Permit Application for Property with Only Danville Access Discussed

The Board discussed an application for a building permit for a lot that fronts on a Danville Road and is inaccessible from any road in Kingston. Chairman Heitz reported that he'd checked with the Planning and they'd had no input into the subdivision by which the lot was created. Restrictive covenants that will relieve the town from providing trash pickup, school transportation service or emergency response service will be recorded to go with the property in perpetuity. Fire Chief Bill Seaman asked that the Board ensure that the town will be indemnified against liability for not providing emergency response to the property. He advised that there is a minimum 13-minute response time that is unacceptable and he wants to make sure that the property owner, Town of Danville, and 911 Emergency Services are aware that Danville will be considered as primary responder to this property. Chairman Heitz will speak with Atty. Peter Loughlin, who is Danville's Town Counsel and has been actively involved in the matter, to ensure that Kingston will not be exposed to liability by issuance of the building permit. Selectman Korn advised that, regardless of any restriction relating to school transportation, if there is a special needs child to be transported to school from that property, the expense of transportation will be borne by the Sanborn School District.

# Non-public Session

**MOTION:** Upon motion of Selectman Broderick and second of Selectman Korn, Chairman Heitz polled the Board for a unanimous vote to adjourn to non-public session under the provisions of NH RSA 91-A:3, II-a.

The Board adjourned at 7:20 pm.

The Board returned to public session at 8:12 pm.

**MOTION**: Upon motion of Selectman Broderick and second of Selectman Korn, Chairman Heitz polled the Board for a unanimous vote to seal the minutes of the non-public session for an indefinite period.

#### **Library Donations Accepted**

<u>MOTION</u>: Upon motion of Selectman Korn and second of Selectman Broderick, it was unanimously voted to accept on behalf of the Library Trustees donated items having a value of approximately \$360.00, including a globe, table, museum passes, and books.

# **Ball Road Closure Approved**

**MOTION:** Upon motion of Selectman Broderick and second of Selectman Korn it was unanimously voted to close Ball Road from House #21 southerly over the river crossing, effective on June 6, 2012 until further notice, to allow replacement of the culvert at that location. Notices of the closure will be publicly posted. Various culverts in the area will be replaced throughout the summer months as part of the town's ongoing Hazard Mitigation program, partially funded with FEMA grants awarded by the state's Emergency Management Office.

## Town Building Inventory to be Conducted

It was agreed that Chairman Heitz will accompany Road Agent Richard St. Hilaire on an inspection of Town Buildings on June 7, 2012, in order to prioritize work that needs to be undertaken.

#### **Review of Previous Meeting Minutes**

**MOTION:** Upon motion of Selectman Broderick and second of Chairman Korn, it was voted to accept the minutes of the May 21, 2012 meeting as printed.

Minutes of the May 24<sup>th</sup> Area Selectmen's Meeting will be reviewed for acceptance at the next meeting, to be held on June 18<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Adjournment**

There being no further business before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 pm and the Board retired to address administrative issues. In reviewing orders for payment, Selectman Korn noted that, in any instance where a bill is submitted by his company to the town, he will not be approving the invoice for payment.

Respectfully submitted, Catherine Grant Administrative Assistant