

**Kingston, New Hampshire
Board of Selectmen
Meeting of May 9, 2011
MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm in the Main Meeting Room at the Kingston Town Hall. In attendance were Chairman Peter Broderick and Selectmen Charles Hart and Mark Heitz.

Non-Public Session

MOTION: Upon motion of Selectman Hart and second of Selectman Heitz, Chairman Broderick polled the Board for a unanimous vote to adjourn to non-public session under the provisions of N. H. RSA 91-A:3, II-c. The Board adjourned to non-public session in the Selectmen's Office of Town Hall at 6:32 pm.

The Board returned to public session at 7:02 pm.

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

Farm & Ranchland Preservation Easement Match Discussion

Rick Russman of Southeast Land Trust was present to request of the Board a letter affirming that the projected match for acquisition of a Farm and Ranchland Preservation Program easement for the 80-acre LaBranche farm on Little River Road has been approved and is available. The \$135,000.00 match is a part of the \$182,000.00 in funds approved at Town Meeting in March under Article 26. The Board signed the requested letter, which will accompany the application for the easement grant. The town's portion of the cost will be withdrawn from the Land Acquisition Capital Reserve Fund.

Discussion of Proposal to Keep Horses on Ball Road

Michael and Charlene Caswell discussed with the Board a proposal for the keeping of two horses on a Ball Road property that they hope to purchase. The Board advised that Best Management Practices for the keeping of horses must be followed; that structures relating to the horses must be a minimum of 100' from all wells; that manure must be properly stored and disposed of; and that the Board must be assured that no more than two horses will be housed on the property. The Caswells agreed, noting that they've owned their horses for more than 15 years and that both of them are older animals.

Building Permit Fee Waived for School District

The Board reviewed and agreed to a request from the School District that the fee be waived on their application for a demolition permit for a cottage on the Sanborn Seminary site.

Area Selectmen's Meeting Discussion

Chairman Broderick reported on the Area Selectmen's meeting he'd attended on May 3rd. Of particular interest to him had been a discussion he'd had concerning problems that a neighboring town has encountered during the building of their new Library. It's expected that the Library Trustees will be attending the May 16th Selectmen's meeting, at which time some of those issues might be discussed so that Kingston can avoid the pitfalls that arose during that other town's project.

Review of Previous Meeting Minutes

MOTION: Upon motion of Selectman Hart and second of Selectman Heitz it was unanimously voted to approve the minutes of the May 2, 2011 Selectmen's meeting as printed.

General Discussion

It was agreed that, at the suggestion of Town Clerk Bettie Ouellette, the Board will request use of the Swasey Gymnasium for the 2012 Presidential Election. Other 2012 elections will be held at the Town Hall, as per the vote taken at the May 2, 2011 Selectmen's meeting.

The next step to be taken in establishment of the Kingston Municipal Water District was discussed. Selectman Heitz will contact Atty. John Ratigan to seek his advice.

An addendum to the Personnel Policy, relative to CDL employees and the state mandated Drug & Alcohol Policy, was approved by the Board.

Adjournment

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm and the Board retired to address administrative issues.

Respectfully submitted,
Catherine Grant
Administrative Assistant