

**Minutes of Meeting  
CONWAY BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

August 1, 2006

The Selectmen's Meeting convened at 4:05 p.m. in the Meeting Room of Conway Town Hall with the following present: Selectmen Larry Martin (Chair), Karen Umberger, C. David Weathers, Gary Webster, and Mark Hounsell; Town Manager, Earl W. Sires; and Recording Secretary, Karen Hallowell.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Martin led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

SIGNING OF DOCUMENTS

The Board reviewed and signed documents in the signature folder.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

The Board reviewed and approved the manifest dated August 3, 2006.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The consideration of minutes of 7/11/06 was carried to the next meeting.

ENFORCEMENT CONCERNS REGARDING OUTDOOR USE AT  
3465 WHITE MOUNTAIN HIGHWAY, NORTH CONWAY

Bob Schor, Bill Schor, Tom Hanley and Karen Hanley were present for discussion.

Mr. Sires advised the Town received a letter from citizen, Robert Schor, stating his concerns regarding the property located next door to him, known as the Wild Boar Tavern.

Mr. Schor stated that he is not sure what more he can add at this meeting other than what is in his letter. Mr. Schor referred to his proposal on page four of his letter and reviewed same with the Board. (A copy of Mr. Schor's letter is attached hereto).

The Board listened to Mr. Schor's concerns. The Board agreed to take this matter under advisement, review the matter, ask questions of staff, and re-agenda this in three weeks. Mr. Schor was amenable to this course of action.

Mr. Schor next requested the Board permit him to read his entire letter aloud and the Board agreed. Mr. Schor read aloud the letter.

Tom Hanley, owner of the Wild Boar Tavern, next spoke. Mr. Hanley stated his property is in a commercial zone and he submitted plans and got approvals for the work done to his property. The Board held a brief discussion with Tom and Karen Hanley regarding their property.

Jean and Raymond Jones advised they are neighbors of the Hanley's on White Mountain Highway and that Karen Hanley asked them to come to the meeting on their behalf. The Jones' advised they have never heard any disturbances from the Wild Boar and have only heard positive comments about the establishment.

The Board explained the Town will look at this matter and determine if any and all ordinances, etc, were and are being complied with regarding the subject properties.

Mr. Martin called for any further comments. There were none. Mr. Martin advised this matter will be back on the August 22, 2006 agenda.

#### CONSIDERATION OF AGREEMENTS RELATED TO CONSTRUCTION OF NORTH ROUNDABOUT

Mr. Sires reported there is an issue between the developers and, therefore, no agreement yet to signing the agreements in regard to this agenda item.

#### CONSIDERATION OF AMBULANCE PROPOSAL

Kenneth "Tinker" Kiesman, Mrs. Kiesman, Chief Larry Wade, Mike Valladares, Doug Swett and Pat Swett were present for this discussion.

Mr. Sires distributed a copy of a draft ambulance proposal to the Board for review. Mr. Sires reviewed this proposal was the product of a recent ambulance committee meeting.

Mr. Hounsell stated he feels there should be one contract. Ms. Umberger reviewed her comments as was supplied in the Board agenda packets. (A copy is also attached hereto). Ms. Umberger stated she is not in favor of rollovers and is in favor of separate contracts and thinks it should be a five year contract. Ms. Umberger further discussed that she thinks we should delineate a prime responder to certain areas of town. Ms Umberger stated delivery of service is not the same as North Conway has 24 hour service and Conway Village has 12 hour service and she thinks we need to balance the service of the providers.

Mike Valladares stated he is an East Conway Commissioner and is also speaking for himself individually. He personally feels it is a disservice to call ambulance service a subsidy. He feels it is quality service.

Chief Wade spoke regarding response times and regarding staffing a station 24/7. Chief Wade stated that if this is an obstacle this could be rectified but that it would cost.

There was a brief discussion regarding timelines and Mr. Sires briefly gave an explanation of the budget process.

Mr. Martin asked for further public comments and there were none.

There was next discussion by the Board regarding a timeline for the proposal. It was agreed that the Board would forward comments regarding the draft proposal to Mr. Sires. It was next agreed that the Board would finalize the proposal at the meeting

scheduled for August 8, 2006. The Board agreed they would need the information back from the providers by August 25, 2006. The Board agreed the subcommittee of the Board would then meet to review the information received from the providers. The Board agreed this matter would be placed on the 9/12/06 agenda.

Mr. Sires next clarified that he would change “subsidy” to “payment” in the proposal and, also, will further define the service area as discussed. Mr. Sires questioned the issue of 24 hour coverage and the Board agreed this would not be added at this time. Mr. Sires confirmed BLS level would be indicated and the Board agreed. The Board next agreed to take out language concerning primary/back up, etc. The Board next agreed to start negotiations for a new contract the 4<sup>th</sup> year but leave in the option for rollover. The Board next agreed that they will get any further suggested changes to Mr. Sires prior to the meeting on the 8<sup>th</sup>.

### TOWN MANAGER REPORT

Construction Meeting – Mr. Sires reported a meeting was held today with at the Whitaker Meeting House regarding construction in North Conway. Attending were representatives of the Town, NHDOT, NCWP, MWVCC, Audley and others. Valley Vision was also there to tape the meeting. This was the first of the communication meetings set up to discuss construction in North Conway. There was also some discussion about whether businesses can drape banners over barriers. Mr. Sires advised this is a NHDOT project and the Town does not have the authority to permit in the ROW and this will be up to the NHDOT. Planning Director, Tom Irving, stated that the Town is preempted from regulating these signs.

### BOARD REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Conway Village Public Library – Ms. Umberger reported the Conway Village Public Library recently won a first place award with regard to annual beautification with flowers. Ms. Umberger commented that many take part in the upkeep of this including the Town crew, Friends of Rec, and the Library Staff.

Banners during Construction – Mr. Webster commented on the earlier discussion regarding banners during the construction in North Conway stating that it would look terrible if this town were covered with banners all of a sudden.

Shedd Woods – Mr. Weathers reported that he, Paul Pinkham, and Jim Bowles and Don Lyford of the NHDOT met at Shedd Woods to discuss its condition. The NHDOT representatives agreed they would extend the curbing and will bring the grading back up.

Recreation Funding – Mr. Hounsell commented that he would like to suggest that the Chair of the Board of Selectmen send a letter to Albany and Eaton thanking them for attending the recent meeting to discussion recreation funding and to advise them that this Board has the list that was compiled at that meeting and that we are taking same under advisement. The Board agreed to sending this letter to Albany and Eaton. The Board further agreed to agenda the recreation funding discussion for the next agenda.

### PUBLIC COMMENTS / MEDIA QUESTIONS

Doug Swett questioned if there is any help for the businesspeople that are affected by the construction in North Conway. Mr. Martin advised that meetings are being held weekly at the Whitaker Meeting House to keep the lines of communication open.

ADJOURN

At 6:10 p.m., **Mr. Weathers moved, seconded by Ms. Umberger, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried 5-0-0.**

Respectfully submitted,

Karen J. Hollowell  
Executive Secretary