

Minutes of Meeting
CONWAY BOARD OF SELECTMEN
May 19, 2015

The Selectmen's Meeting convened at 4:08 p.m. in the Meeting Room of Conway Town Hall with the following present: Selectmen, Mary Carey Seavey (Vice Chair), Carl Thibodeau, Steven Porter and John Colbath, Town Manager, Earl Sires, and Recording Secretary, Karen Hallowell.

Selectman, C. David Weathers, was not present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Ms. Seavey led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Ms. Seavey advised that there would be three additions to the agenda as follows: a Tax Collectors Warrant under Signing of Documents and two event applications for the American Legion under Consideration of Special Event Applications. **Mr. Colbath moved, seconded by Mr. Thibodeau, to approve the agenda as amended. The motion carried unanimously.**

PROPOSED LITTLE FREE LIBRARY AT CONWAY LAKE BEACH

Library Director, David Smolen, and Recreation Director, John Eastman, appeared before the Board.

Mr. Smolen stated that he is working with the Conway Recreation Department and the Friends of Conway Library to put together a Little Free Library. The idea to take a book and leave a book and this is done all over the country. The books are donated and not paid for by the library. The Friends of Conway Library will be stocking the books. Mr. Smolen next presented a picture of the Little Free Library box and reviewed the dimensions with the Board. Mr. Smolen next stated they would like to put this near Conway Lake beach, across from the beach and near the parking area. Mr. Eastman advised that they called Dig Safe and they will be there this Thursday if the Board approves this Little Free Library. Mr. Thibodeau asked if this will be on a post. Mr. Smolen responded in the affirmative and added that after the season the structure will be removed but the pole will stay. Mr. Colbath asked if there will be instructions for use. Mr. Smolen stated there will be a sign with information. **Mr. Thibodeau moved, seconded by Mr. Porter, to approve the installation of the Little Free Library at Conway beach. The motion carried unanimously.**

WMNF PRESENTATION ON THE DANDIVIEW BIRCH HILL
WILDLAND URBAN INTERFACE (WUI) PROJECT

John Neely, South Zone Fire and Fuels, Desiree Johnston, NEPA Planner and Environmental Coordinator, and James Innes, District Ranger, for the White Mountain Forest Service division of the US Forest Service joined the meeting. Also present was the Town of Conway Emergency Management Director and Conway Village Fire Chief, Steve Solomon.

Mr. Neely advised the Forest Service has been working to come up with a shaded fuel break in the area of the Dandiview Birch Hill boundary with the National Forest. Mr. Neeley next reviewed a powerpoint presentation with maps and other information regarding the planned work with the Board. Mr. Neely further explained they are proposing along the boundary line a shaded fuel break. This project won't look like a road or trail. It will reduce the potential for fire

spread. It won't prevent a fire from starting but it would slow one down. Mr. Sires asked what the experience will be for someone living in the boundary area. Mr. Neely explained the work that would be done and advised that it does include using chainsaws. Some areas need more work than others. Also, they will not be doing work on the weekends and they will try to minimize disturbances and this should take about a month. Daymond Steer of the Conway Daily Sun asked where all of the cleanup stuff will go. Mr. Neely advised it will be distributed back in to the stand and they will also be bringing a chipper and will haul away the chip.

Chief Solomon next stated that during the Hazardous Mitigation Plan work we did last year we looked at the town as a whole and where there could be fire danger and identified this area as well. Chief Solomon further explained that this fuel break will reduce the chances of fires in this area.

Mr. Thibodeau asked what else they would be used beside chainsaws. Mr. Neely stated most of it will be done with chainsaws. Mr. Thibodeau further asked then is it mostly handwork. Mr. Neely replied in the affirmative and added they will have a crew of about 4 or 5 people. District Ranger Ennis stated that there is no commercial timber being removed.

Mr. Steer next asked about when walking the Marshall land, the Forester said that is not flammable and why is this land we are talking about flammable and not the other. Mr. Sires stated that a pitch pine community is more susceptible.

REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF DEPUTY WARDEN APPOINTMENTS

- a. Nick Dukehart
- b. John Kinkaid

Conway Village Fire Chief, Steve Solomon, advised that Nick Dukehart and John Kincaid are Firefighters at Conway Village Fire. Chief Solomon requested that the Board of Selectmen appoint them as Deputy Forest Fire Wardens. **Mr. Colbath moved, seconded by Mr. Porter, to appoint Nick Dukehart and John Kincaid as Deputy Wardens. The motion carried unanimously**

PRESENTATION ON PLANNED REMEDIAL ACTION FOR KEARSARGE METALLURGIC SITE - ANDREW HOFFMAN, NHDES

Andrew Hoffman of the NHDES and Fred Symmes of Weston Solutions, Inc., joined the meeting. Also, present in the audience was John Hurteau, the current property owner of the Kearsarge Metallurgic site.

Mr. Hoffman stated that he would like to commend the town for taking the property and putting it back into productive use. Mr. Hoffman pointed out that the current property owner, John Hurteau, is present today at this meeting and advised that they have worked with Mr. Hurteau on the site.

Mr. Hoffman reviewed the history of remedial actions on the property and reviewed a map of the area with the Board. Mr. Hoffman next reviewed that previous remediation plan for the contaminants remaining was to let nature take its course such that the contaminants would dissipate over time. However, now concentrations exceeding the established levels have prompted them to take further action. The EPA has agreed to step in and provide a grant for 90% and the State will pay for the other 10% to clean this area up. This could be another 5 or 10 years and, if successful, this superfund site could be delisted.

Mr. Symmes next explained that they will inject chemicals into the soil to take care of the contamination. The soil is dense and they will also mix soils using an excavator while injecting the chemicals. They will excavate the top two feet of soil, which is not contaminated and then mix the soil at two feet to fifteen feet. They will be injecting at seven feet. The reason they are doing this is that the soil is dense at this point and is not letting the contaminants dissipate. The soil mixing should take two or three weeks and they will fence the area off. They have also talked with the property owner, Mr. Hurteau, about the work site. After the work is done they will backfill it and loam and seed it. Mr. Symmes next stated with regard to the chemicals they are injecting, they aren't something that need to be of concern for a long period of time.

Mr. DegliAngeli questioned what chemicals are trapped. Mr. Symmes stated it is degreasing solvents that were used on the metals at Kearsarge Metallurgic. Mr. DegliAngeli questioned what chemicals they will be injecting. Mr. Symmes advised sodium persulfate and sodium hydroxide.

Mr. Sires questioned who owned the site when the testing levels were exceeded. Mr. Hoffman stated that this occurred before the town took the property. Mr. Sires stated that the Town was never notified of this until now. Mr. Hoffman stated probably not.

There was next discussion of the chemicals, groundwater, etc. Mr. Hoffman reviewed a map showing the movement of the groundwater. Mr. Symmes gave an explanation of how the injected chemicals will break down and be dissolved in the water.

There was next discussion of the area to be treated. Mr. Symmes described the area and showed same on a map. Ms. Seavey asked how close this is to the water. Mr. Symmes stated it is about 300 feet from the pond. Ms. Seavey questioned if they are monitoring the pond too. Mr. Symmes explained that the groundwater migrates toward the culvert. They will monitor the catch basins and the culvert but to prevent water from getting to the culvert they will put in a cement wall barrier and they will also reinforce the culvert so it won't be damaged. This will also keep the chemicals they are using from migrating into the culvert.

Ms. Seavey asked how all of a sudden does this happen. Mr. Hoffman stated that the contamination has always been there. They knew it was there and they included this in the 2012 remedy decision. In this case the soil is tight and it took time for the contamination to stabilize and distribute into the aquifer. Mr. Sires stated that the expectation was that it would dissipate and go away. Mr. Hoffman stated that this was the hope and, with our actions now, we hope this will be the last action and that it will be a minimal impact and should have no bearing on the town and Mr. Hurteau is the one they will deal with. Ms. Seavey stated that she feels that you have neighbor properties and people on the pond to deal with. Mr. Hoffman stated they will monitor and taken action on any unforeseen problems. Ms. Seavey next questioned what would happen if they didn't have the grant money for this work. Mr. Hoffman explained that the EPA grant money will facilitate a more robust serious application. If there was only State money then this may have taken longer.

There was further brief discussion of the soil, soil depths, and the chemicals being used.

**CONSIDERATION OF FINE FOR FAIRPORT COMMUNICATIONS: INSTALLATION
OF POLE WITHOUT CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND DAMAGE TO
TOWN SIDEWALK ON GROVE STREET**

Mr. DegliAngeli stated that utilities companies come into town and plant poles and are disregarding getting permits from the town. Mr. Sires distributed information for the Board to review regarding permits, town rights, etc.

Mr. DegliAngeli stated that we spend money to reconstruct roads and then a utility company comes in and they have the need to put in new poles. Mr. DegliAngeli reviewed a picture with the Board of a pole placed by a utility company. Mr. DegliAngeli stated that as the picture shows, the utility company plants a new pole beside the existing pole and when they are done there is a big hole where our sidewalk is. Mr. DegliAngeli stated it is not right for the taxpayer to pay for the repair. Mr. DegliAngeli next stated that a simple solution is that the utility company takes out permits and we have been delivering this message for three years now and there are certain utilities that are not complying. Mr. DegliAngeli next reviewed that there was an instance with one company that we fined them through the contractor and then for the first time they pulled a permit to replace conduit. There are fees associated with the permit as we need an inspector. Mr. DegliAngeli next advised that we have discovered a pole where there is a hole in the pavement and we asked the utility when they did the work and they advised that it was last fall. We would like to send them a letter fining them for this latest infraction as they continue to do the same thing over and over again. Mr. DegliAngeli next stated that we would like the concrete fixed and the old pole gone, just leaving the new one. Mr. DegliAngeli next stated he would like to write and ask them to remove the pole by a date certain, fix the pavement, charge them \$235 a day and, also, ask them to take out a permit and provide surety before they do the repair work. If we have the surety money and they fail to do the work right, then we can have the work done right.

Mr. Thibodeau asked if they will have to remove a section or just patch the hole. Mr. DegliAngeli advised that it is a section of about 5 to 6 feet. There was further brief discussion by the Board. Mr. DegliAngeli stated his recommendation is that he would like to ask that they get a permit and do so within 14 days and that they effect the repair in 28 days and, if there is a failure to get a permit or effect repair within those days, then we take punitive damages of a fine per day. **Mr. Thibodeau moved, seconded by Mr. Porter, to effect Paul's recommendation. The motion carried unanimously.**

Mr. DegliAngeli next reported that with the same company we have another issue on River Street. They put a line into our road without a permit and now we are doing a culvert replacement on the road and we need them to move the pole and they have been unresponsive. If they don't respond when we do the work on the culvert telephone service in the area may likely be interrupted. Mr. DegliAngeli advised several attempts have been made to contact them. There was a brief discussion by the Board. **Mr. Thibodeau moved, seconded by Mr. Porter, to give Paul DegliAngeli Board of Selectmen permission to interrupt service should Fairpoint continue to be unresponsive and provide them with a date certain for removal. The motion carried unanimously.**

NORCROSS CIRCLE

Mr. DegliAngeli reported that they started the pavement on Norcross Circle today.

Mr. Sires next reviewed grant money that was received years ago, originally for undergrounding utilities, but then used for improvements in North Conway Village. Mr. DegliAngeli next advised that NHEC has approached the town and asked if we would consider undergrounding the utilities on Norcross. Mr. Seybold is also willing to pay his portion for this work. The utility company is willing to do the work but asked that while we have the road open that we put in the conduits. The Town has contacted Don Lyford at the NHDOT who is the keeper of the grant money and this was okayed and so this has now been down. Mr. Sires pointed out that this will clean up the visual in this area.

Mr. DegliAngeli next reported that where the stone wall is, we will also be putting in a pavement along this area. Mr. Sires stated that this will be done with the grant money as well.

Mr. DegliAngeli advised that this will be new curbing and sidewalk and will be consistent with the other sidewalks in North Conway Village.

PUBLIC WORKS UPDATES

Mr. DegliAngeli reported that the force main project is being reinvigorated.

Mr. DegliAngeli reported that the scale is due to be delivered to the Transfer Station on June 14, 2015.

Mr. DegliAngeli reported that Coleman is the NCWP contractor for Crown Ridge and they have been on the job for a week. This project will go to about mid June and then we will do our work in this area thereafter.

Mr. DegliAngeli next advised that with regard to the discussion held at the last Board meeting regarding West Main Street –the project costs increased due to the depth of the pipe and so we don't have the money and won't be doing the work as discussed.

Mr. DegliAngeli next stated that there was also previous discussion regarding pavement. We talked about pavement being cheaper because of oil prices, however, this is not so and costs didn't go down. Mr. DegliAngeli next discussed the quality of pavement material and advised that this has declined and we are not getting the longevity out of it and this will affect future budgets.

REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF SPECIAL EVENT APPLICATION(S)

a. MWV Children's Museum/Block Party – 5/23/15

Miriah Jones of the MWV Children's Museum was present for discussion. Ms. Jones explained this is the first time they will be holding this event and the idea is to help drive in traffic to the MWV Children's Museum. For the event, they would like to utilize their parking lot for crafts, a bubble station, chalk mural, etc. They will also have a tent that will come down at the end of the event. Ms. Jones next stated that they are also working with the North Conway Fire Department as they are trying to do "touch a truck" at the event as well. There was brief discussion with the Board. **Mr. Colbath moved, seconded by Mr. Porter, to approve the special event application for the MWV Children's Museum Block party for 5/23/15. The motion carried unanimously.**

b. White Mountain Milers/Julbo 9 Week Summers Series – Tuesday nights 6/9/15–8/4/15

Mr. Colbath moved, seconded by Mr. Porter, to approve the special event application for the White Mountain Milers Julbo 9 Week Summers Series on Tuesday nights 6/9/15–8/4/15. The motion carried unanimously.

c. American Legion/Friday Night Entertainment – 5/27/15

d. American Legion/Campout and Weekend Fundraiser for Troops and Veterans 7/24-7/26/15

Mr. Thibodeau moved, seconded by Mr. Colbath, to approve the special event applications for the American Legion/Friday Night Entertainment on 5/27/15 and the American Legion/Campout and Weekend Fundraiser for Troops and Veterans for 7/24-7/26/15. The motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION OF REQUEST BY SCHOOL DISTRICT TO
CHANGE MEETING DATE BACK TO MARCH

Mr. Sires reported he received a call from Carl Nelson to discuss the idea of moving the town meeting date back to March. We also received a letter from Kevin Richard of the School with regard to why they would like to do this and this is in the Board's agenda packet. Mr. Sires gave an overview of the memo to the Board. Mr. Sires next briefly reviewed a memo that he also provided to the Board on this matter about the schedule for town meeting etc. Moving the meeting would mean that dates for meetings, budget preparation, etc. would have to be moved to a month earlier. Mr. Sires stated that no decision is needed on this matter tonight and the Board has time to think about this matter. If this were to be changed, it would require a warrant article next year. There was a brief discussion by the Board. All agreed they would like time to think about this subject.

REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO
NON UNION PERSONNEL MANUAL REGARDING THE USE OF
WIRELESS COMMUNICATION DEVICES IN VEHICLES

Mr. Sires reviewed that a new law will be enacted as of June 1 that prohibits the use of hand held devices in vehicles. Mr. Sires next reviewed a proposed amendment to the Non Union Personnel Manual regarding the use of wireless communication devices with the Board. **Mr. Porter moved, seconded by Mr. Colbath, to adopt Section H Use of Wireless Communication Devices in town owned vehicles.** Mr. Sires stated that this will also apply to union employees as well. There was a brief discussion. **Mr. Porter amended the motion, seconded by Mr. Colbath, to adopt Section H Use of Wireless Communication Devices in vehicles while on town business. The motion carried unanimously.**

FINANCIAL REPORT

Trustee of Trust Funds – Ms. Gilligan reported that the Trustees of the Trust Funds met with bank representatives last week to discuss changing the trust accounts to a different bank. Ms. Gilligan next reviewed the PDIP accounts where the funds are now held and advised that the interest rate is .0008%. Ms. Gilligan next reported that the Trustees did vote to move their funds to TD Banks to a similar style account.

Conservation Funds and Performance Funds – Ms. Gilligan next stated that she recommends that the Board think about closing the Conservation Fund accounts and moving these as well. TD and Citizens offered stronger interest rates than Northway. The Board can think about this and they don't need to make a decision now but she will need to know by June 30, 2015. Mr. Colbath asked if when the banks made the presentations that it was for Trustees funds and not other town funds. Ms. Gilligan explained that she attended the meeting along with the Deputy Town Treasurer, Holly Meserve. Kris Cluff from the North Conway Water Precinct was present as well. Mr. Colbath asked for a recommendation. Ms. Gilligan stated that the product by TD and Citizens were the best interest rates but all of our other accounts are with Northway. Having all of the accounts at one bank does make payments seamless and easier. Mr. Sires questioned if Northway would see this as something that was supposed to be part of their package. Ms. Gilligan stated that when the bid was put out it was regarding our accounts that were at Northway. There was next further discussion on the question of a recommendation. Ms. Gilligan explained that the Conservation and Performance accounts don't move that much but it is still easier to have it all at one bank. Mr. Thibodeau asked how many accounts. Ms. Gilligan advised there are four Conservation accounts and about 35 performance accounts. Mr. Thibodeau asked how many Trustees accounts. Ms. Gilligan advised there are seventy. Ms. Gilligan next reviewed that there are also about 15 other accounts that the town

has. Mr. Thibodeau asked that the Board postpone a decision on this until the next meeting on June 2, 2015. The Board agreed.

TANS – Ms. Gilligan advised that we will not need to use the TAN yet due to the school postponing their \$950,000 payment until June 12, 2015.

Tax Bills – Mr. Sires reported that the tax bills will be going out soon.

Review of Monthly Receipts – The Monthly receipts were available for the Board's review.

SIGNING OF DOCUMENTS

- a. Authorization to borrow on Tax Anticipation Note
- b. Withdrawal Request to Trustees of the Trust – CRF for Infrastructure Reconstruction
- c. Withdrawal Request to Trustees of the Trust – CRF for Maintenance of Town Buildings
- d. Permit to Sell Raffle Tickets – Visiting Nurse Home Care & Hospice – Drawing 6/6/15
- e. Permit to Sell Raffle Tickets – MWV Arts Jubilee – Drawings 7/16, 7/23, 7/10, 8/6 & 8/13/15
- f. Tax Collector's Warrant

Mr. Thibodeau moved, seconded by Mr. Porter, to sign the Authorization to borrow on Tax Anticipation Note, Withdrawal Request to Trustees of the Trust – CRF for Infrastructure Reconstruction, Withdrawal Request to Trustees of the Trust – CRF for Maintenance of Town Buildings, Permit to Sell Raffle Tickets – Visiting Nurse Home Care & Hospice – Drawing 6/6/15, Permit to Sell Raffle Tickets – MWV Arts Jubilee – Drawings 7/16, 7/23, 7/10, 8/6 & 8/13/15, and the Tax Collector's Warrant. The motion carried unanimously. Ms. Gilligan pointed out that, as reported earlier in the meeting, the Authorization to borrow the Tax Anticipation Note is not needed at this time. **Mr. Thibodeau moved, seconded by Mr. Colbath, to remove the Authorization to borrow on Tax Anticipation Note from the previous vote. The motion carried unanimously.**

CONSIDERATION OF BILLS

- a. Manifest 5/21/15

Mr. Colbath moved, seconded by Mr. Porter, to approve the manifest of 5/21/15. The motion carried unanimously.

RATIFICATION OF DOCUMENTS SIGNED OUT OF SESSION

- a. Accounts Payable Manifest
 - 1) 5/7/15
 - 2) 5/14/15

Mr. Colbath moved, seconded by Mr. Porter, to ratify the Accounts Payable Manifests dated 5/7/15 and 5/14/15. The motion carried unanimously.

- b. Payroll
 - 1) 5/14/15

Mr. Colbath moved, seconded by Mr. Porter, to ratify the Payroll dated 5/14/15. The motion carried unanimously.

c. Abatement

- 1) Tax Map/Lot 278-125

Mr. Thibodeau moved, seconded by Mr. Colbath, to ratify the Abatement for Tax Map/Lot 278-125. The motion carried unanimously.

d. Certification of Yield Taxes Assessed

- 1) Tax Map/Lot 217-1
- 2) Tax Map/Lot 227-1
- 3) Tax Map/Lot 238-4
- 4) Tax Map/Lot 239-1
- 5) Tax Map/Lot 242-1
- 6) Tax Map/Lot 250-106
- 7) Tax Map/Lot 250-159
- 8) Tax Map/Lot 253-90
- 9) Tax Map/Lot 261-52
- 10) Tax Map/Lot 284-14.1
- 11) Tax Map/Lot 291-11

Mr. Colbath moved, seconded by Mr. Thibodeau, to ratify the Certification of Yield Taxes Assessed for Tax Map/Lot 217-1, Tax Map/Lot 227-1, Tax Map/Lot 238-4, Tax Map/Lot 239-1, Tax Map/Lot 242-1, Tax Map/Lot 250-106, Tax Map/Lot 250-159, Tax Map/Lot 253-90, Tax Map/Lot 261-52, Tax Map/Lot 284-14.1 and Tax Map/Lot 291-11. The motion carried unanimously.

e. Gravel Tax Levy

- 1) Tax Map/Lot 246-62, 263-117, 226-1, 238-1 and 207-14.5

Mr. Colbath moved, seconded by Mr. Thibodeau, to ratify the Gravel Tax Levy for Tax Map/Lot 246-62, 263-117, 226-1, 238-1 and 207-14.5. The motion carried unanimously.

f. Notice of Intent to Cut Wood or Timber

- 1) Tax Map/Lot 21-11
- 2) Tax Map/Lot 231-106
- 3) Tax Map/Lot 231-147
- 4) Tax Map/Lot 231-148
- 5) Tax Map/Lot 246-65, 252-62
- 6) Tax Map/Lot 253-90
- 7) Tax Map/Lot 293-1 and 1.01

Mr. Colbath moved, seconded by Mr. Thibodeau, to ratify the Notices of Intent to Cut Wood or Timber for Tax Map/Lot 21-11, Tax Map/Lot 231-106, Tax Map/Lot 231-147, Tax Map/Lot 231-148, Tax Map/Lot 246-65, 252-62, Tax Map/Lot 253-90 and Tax Map/Lot 293-1 and 1.01. The motion carried unanimously.

g. Notice of Intent to Excavate

- 1) Tax Map/Lot 226-1

Mr. Colbath moved, seconded by Mr. Thibodeau, to ratify the Notice of Intent to Excavate for Tax Map/Lot 226-1. The motion carried unanimously.

h. Land Use Change Tax

- 1) Tax Map/Lot 214-42.01

Mr. Colbath moved, seconded by Mr. Thibodeau, to ratify the Land Use Change Tax for Tax Map/Lot 214-42.01. The motion carried unanimously.

- i. Permanent Application for Property Tax Credit/Exemptions
 - 1) Tax Map/Lot 215-42.065
 - 2) Tax Map/Lot 268-126

Mr. Colbath moved, seconded by Mr. Thibodeau, to ratify the Permanent Application for Property Tax Credit/Exemptions for Tax Map/Lot 215-42.065 and Tax Map/Lot 268-126. The motion carried unanimously.

- j. Timber Tax Levy
 - 1) Tax Map/Lot 217-1, 242-1, 250-159
 - 2) Tax Map/Lot 227-1, 239-1, 238-4
 - 3) Tax Map/Lot 253-90, 284-14.1, 291-11, 261-52

Mr. Colbath moved, seconded by Mr. Thibodeau, to ratify the Timber Tax Levy for Tax Map/Lot 217-1, 242-1, 250-159, Tax Map/Lot 227-1, 239-1, 238-4, and Tax Map/Lot 253-90, 284-14.1, 291-11, 261-52. The motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES: 4/28/15

Mr. Thibodeau moved, seconded by Mr. Porter, to approve the minutes of 4/28/15 as written. The motion carried unanimously.

TOWN MANAGER REPORT

North Country Council – Mr. Sires reported he will be attending a meeting at North Country Council tomorrow and they are working on the 10 year plan for the NHDOT.

Water System – Mr. Sires reported that Paul DegliAngeli has been working with the water system company to get the well site for the town hall water system. They do have to move the well a little from where they were going to put it and they are also working on getting the permit to the NHDES. This will take some time but it is underway.

Tax Properties – Mr. Sires reported that we received information back from a realtor regarding the properties the town had taken for taxes. We will have information on this at the next meeting so that the Board can decide what they want to do with the properties.

West Side Road Land – Mr. Sires reported that a tour was taken last week of the newly acquired conservation land on West Side Road.

First Bridge Launch Area – Mr. Sires advised they are working up a budget for the launch area at First Bridge and will be getting together with the canoe outfitters.

Code Project – Mr. Sires stated we are still working on the Code Project and the Board will see something on this soon.

Pine Tree School – Mr. Sires reported that the Pine Tree School held a Conway 250th Education Fair on Sunday. Someone had made a likeness of Henry Seymour Conway and we hope that he will spend some time this year at town hall.

Roundabout – Ms. Seavey asked about the ten year plan and the proposed roundabout for Conway Village and if this would still need a vote. Mr. Sires stated what would happen first is funding for a study and he does not think this requires a public vote. Ms. Seavey questioned if we could make it a vote. Mr. Sires stated the Board could vote to recommend or not recommend and send this on. Also, there will be a public hearing this fall on the ten year plan.

BOARD REPORTS AND COMMENTS

MWVEC – Mr. Colbath stated that Mary Seavey and Earl Sires are the representatives to the MWVEC. If the Board is okay, he would be willing to serve on this Board instead of Earl. Mr. Colbath further advised that he was involved in this committee previously and it would fit in his schedule. Ms. Seavey stated that she thinks that it is set up that it can be one member of the Board of Selectmen and one town member. Mr. Sires stated that he would look into this.

Sign Committee – Mr. Thibodeau reported that the Sign Committee met May 7 and they are looking at interior lit signs. Mr. Thibodeau asked that if the public has any opinions on this subject to please get in touch with him to discuss same. The next meeting of the Sign Committee is scheduled for June 4. Also, if anyone would like to show up and comment, to please do so.

ESAA – Mr. Thibodeau reported they met on May 5. They are moving forward but there is not much new going on. They are selling jet fuel and gasoline and everything else is pretty much status quo at this point.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND MEDIA QUESTIONS

Daymond Steer of the Conway Daily Sun questioned if the Forest Service said when they will be doing the work they reported on earlier in the meeting. The Board advised it would be this summer but they didn't say an exact date.

Mr. Steer asked Mr. Thibodeau about internally lit signs. Mr. Thibodeau gave a brief explanation of signs.

Mr. Steer next questioned, with regard to Kearsarge Metallurgic matter, is this on the Hurteau property and only on his property. Mr. Thibodeau responded in the affirmative. Mr. Steer next asked when they would start working on the site. Mr. Thibodeau stated this summer. Mr. Steer next questioned if they inject too much chemical or something goes wrong they who is liable. Mr. Thibodeau stated the NHDES and EPA. Mr. Steer questioned how long the project will take. Mr. Thibodeau advised it will take a few weeks to do but they will continue to monitor it for years.

ADJOURN

At 6:29 p.m., **Mr. Colbath moved, seconded by Mr. Thibodeau, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.**

Respectfully submitted,

Karen J Hallowell
Executive Secretary