

**Board of Selectmen Meeting  
Minutes of 12/17/07  
5:30 p.m.**

***Selectmen:***

***Frank S. Michel, Chairman  
Peter F. Brothers, Vice Chairman  
Robert C. Flanders  
Miller C. Lovett  
Colette Worsman***

***Town Manager:  
Recording Clerk:***

***Carol M. Granfield  
Karin Landry***

Call to Order: Chairman Frank Michel called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

The Chair introduced the Board, Town Manager, and Recording Clerk. He made announcements pertaining to fire exits, listening assisted devices, and the use of microphones. Comments and questions are to be directed through the Chair.

**ACCEPTANCE AND/OR CORRECTION OF MINUTES:**

**07-72 November 19 Workshop; November 26 Workshop; December 3 Workshop and Board Meeting; December 4, 5, 6 & 10 Budget Workshops; and December 10 Non-Public Meeting.**

*Selectman Flanders moved to approve the minutes of the November 19 Workshop; November 26 Workshop; December 3 Workshop and Board Meeting; December 4, 5, 6 & 10 Budget Workshops; and December 10 Non-Public Meeting. Seconded by Selectman Brothers. 5-0. All in favor. Motion passed unanimously.*

**TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT:**

- This is the last Board meeting during the month of December. The Town Manager wished Happy Holidays to all.
- The Town offices will be closed on Christmas and New Year's Day. They will remain open on the day of Christmas Eve.
- The Department of Public Works did a great job clearing the streets during the recent snow storms. There were no school delays.
- The next regular Selectmen meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 7. It will be preceded by a workshop to discuss the Pease Road project.

- Metrocast Cablevision notified the Town of rate changes scheduled to go into effect on January 1. The increase is a result of charges for equipment and programming being split because consumers will be able to purchase equipment from retail stores sometime in 2008. Metrocast will offer expanded HD channels and 24-hour customer support. The a-la-carte options that many consumers are interested in have not been approved by the FCC, and are not available at this time.
- The Town website will undergo a streamlining process in the New Year. Certain parts of the site are not being accessed, and the time spent maintaining those areas could be better utilized. There have been 46,900 viewings to date in 2007, including viewings from Canada and various foreign countries.
- Pending items for upcoming workshops include development agreements, meetings with various groups, and a request from the antique boat show to explore a joint effort with more ice clusters.
- The bill to make the MIA/POW site a state monument has been submitted and is supported by nine senators. A copy of the proposed bill will be provided to the Board once it is received from Senator Reynolds.
- The Town Manager and the Board scheduled the remaining budget meeting for January 14 at 3 p.m. The Board asked that additional information requested from various departments be made available for review by January 4. The Chair directed the Town Manager to send an email to the Board confirming the meeting and the availability of additional information as discussed.

**VISITOR'S AND RESIDENT'S COMMENTS:**

None

**SELECTMAN'S COMMENTS:**

Selectman Worsman reported on the work of the Planning Board. The Board will conduct public hearings this Wednesday, December 19, 2007 beginning at 7:00 p.m. The hearings will be held at the Community Center. The purpose of the hearings is to solicit public input on four amendments to the zoning ordinance proposed by the Planning Board. Summaries of the proposals are as follows:

1. Amend Article III, General Provisions, to add new section to except certain island lots from the requirements of RSA 674:41, I and II. This exception will allow building permits to be issued for lots on islands served exclusively by boat without requiring that the landowner must either comply with road access requirements of RSA 674:41, or must apply to the Zoning Board of Adjustment for relief from the road access requirements on a case by case basis.

2. Amend Article VI, International Residential Code/Enforcement, to adopt the 2006 Edition of the International Residential Code as the Town's basic building code in place of the 2000 Edition; and to update an obsolete statutory reference in Section A, and to delete Section C of Article VI which is also obsolete due to changes in State law.
3. Amend Articles III, General Provisions, Article IV, Establishment of Districts and District Regulations and Article VIII, Definitions, to delete all provisions and references relating to cluster development, and add a new Article entitled "Conservation Subdivision Ordinance" to replace the deleted cluster provisions. The Conservation Subdivision Ordinance includes, but is not limited to provisions dealing with Conditional Use Permits, yield plans, subdivision layout, open space requirements, density incentives, preliminary design review, and standards for approval.
4. Amend Article III, Section K, Waterfront Right-of-Way, Subsection 2-A, 1, to change the shore frontage requirement for each additional right of access to a water body through or by means of waterfront land, from 25' per dwelling unit to 50' per dwelling unit.

Follow up meetings will be held on January 15 and 29 if needed. Additionally, the Town received one zoning petition seeking to allow Accessory Apartments in detached structures separate from the primary structure/residence. The Planning Board scheduled a public hearing on the petitioned amendment for January 15 at 7 p.m. at the Community Center.

The following matters came before the Planning board:

1. Deep Water Marine Management, known as Shep Brown's, wishes to change the configuration of one of their buildings. The meeting has been continued.
2. Robert Hale and the Andrew and Phyllis Eldridge Trust is looking to subdivide 15+ acres located on Old Center Harbor Rd. into 5 lots.
3. Ronald and Ann Brianza and Paul Cassaza came before the Planning Board regarding a proposed major subdivision on Neil Shore Road and Needle Eye Rd. A subdivision into 2 lots was approved.
4. A performance guaranty for \$110,429 was brought before the Board by MSS Realty Trust for site improvements.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

#### **07-73 PUBLIC HEARING – Acceptance of Gifts, Grants and Donations per RSA 31: 95-b III (a)**

The Town Manager introduced the matter. A municipality is required to legally accept funds whether as a gift, grant or donation in amounts over \$5,000 at a public hearing. Once the funds are accepted by the Board, the money may be expended for its noted purpose and the budget for the fund can be increased on both the revenue and appropriation sides. During 2007, the Town received the following in an amount over \$5,000:

## Grants:

NH State Aid Sidewalk Project	\$ 202,055.33
NH State Match – May Flood	\$ 5,950.00
NH FEMA Grant – April Flood	\$ 70,935.68
NH State Match – April Flood	\$ 11,786.03
FEMA Grant – Fire Department	\$ 88,835.00

## Gifts:

Movie Equipment for Parks & Recreation	\$ 15,593.79
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The Town Manager recommends that the Board accept the gifts and grants.

*Selectman Flanders moved to open a public hearing at 5:55 p.m. to discuss accepting grants, gifts and donations under RSA 31:95-B. Seconded by Selectman Brothers.*

There was no comment from the public regarding the matter.

*Selectman Brothers motioned to close the meeting at 5:56 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Worsman. 5-0. All in favor. Motion passed unanimously.*

*Selectman Brothers moved to accept gifts and grants per RSA 31:95-B in the amount of \$395,155.86. Seconded by Selectman Lovett. 5-0. All in favor. Motion passed unanimously.*

#### **07-74 N.H. Lakes/Lake Host Program Presentation**

Jared Teutsch, President of New Hampshire Lakes, made a presentation on the Lake Host Program that the Town participated in last summer. The Program goal is to help prevent the spread of milfoil in New Hampshire lakes, and to prevent new invasive aquatic plants from getting into our lakes. The Program is a courtesy boat inspection program and an education program. A Lake Host, or volunteer, checks boats entering the water for fragments of invasive aquatic plants and educates boaters about what to look for on their boats. The Program had a very successful year, with 157 saves statewide. Since the program started in 2002, no new infestations have occurred in Winnepesaukee. The Program wishes to partner with the Town this year, and is requesting a 50% match in the form of cash or volunteer time. A 50% cash donation (\$1,000) will allow them to extend coverage during the Friday through Sunday time period.

Dialogue ensued regarding the allocation of funds for the Program. The Board considered allocating ramp fees for the Program, as well as the treatment of milfoil. If Lake Hosts are tending ramps earlier in the season, any fees that are collected can be used to offset the donation. The Board raised concerns with monitoring of additional locations in Meredith and surrounding Towns. The Board was in general agreement that communities including Meredith must find a way to eradicate milfoil. The Board took the matter under advisement.

**07-75 Low Salt Use Waukewan Street and a Portion of Water Street**

The Board feels comfortable in moving forward to put into action a designation based on a workshop and staff report called "Low Salt Use Waukewan Street and Water Street" dated December 17, 2007.

*Selectman Brothers motioned that the Board establish a low salt usage area bounding on Waukewan Street from approximately Clough Street to the intersection of Route 104; on Water Street from the Redgate Lane intersection to Water Street, and around the Lake to the end. Signs will be installed at both street areas to indicate they are a low salt usage area to alert motorists. The Public Safety Director will be allowed to use salt if deemed to be necessary for safety purposes. Seconded by Selectman Flanders.*

The Board has the assurance of the Director of Public Works that the low salt designation will be monitored very closely. The Board will not act on any additional requests until the safety of the low salt designation has been demonstrated.

*5-0. All in favor. Motion passed unanimously.*

*Selectman Brothers motioned to go into a non-public meeting at 6:20 p.m. under RSA 91-A III-2 (b) and (c) following a short break. Seconded by Selectman Flanders. Selectman polled. 5-0. All in favor. Motion passed unanimously.*

Respectfully submitted,

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Carol M. Granfield, Town Manager

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