



Town of Plaistow ♦ Board of Selectmen
145 Main Street ♦ Plaistow ♦ NH ♦ 03865

PLAISTOW BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES:

DATE: June 08, 2015

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 6:30 PM

SELECTMEN:

Selectman, Steve Ranlett, Chairman
Selectman, Joyce Ingerson - Excused
Selectman, Julian Kiszka

John Sherman Vice Chairman,
Selectman, Tammy Bergeron
Town Manager, Sean Fitzgerald

AGENDA:

MINUTES:

Motion by J. Sherman to approve the minutes of June 01, 2015. Second by T. Bergeron

Vote: 4-0-0

Motion passes.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

J. Sherman suggests changing the order of the agenda.

ALTERNATE MEMBER ZONING BOARD APPOINTMENT- DAN LLOYD

S. Ranlett inquires as to why he would like to be appointed an alternate to the Zoning Board. He states as a local business owner and past member of the zoning board (2007-2010), he would like to become involved again and do his part for the community.

Discussion ensues.

Note: Dee Voss is in the audience to answer any question the Board may have.

J. Sherman motions to appoint Dan Lloyd, an alternate member of the Zoning Board of Adjustment effective immediately. J. Kiszka 2nds

Vote 4-0-0

Motion passes

JILL SENTER- CONSERVATION CHAIRMAN

Jill Senter states that she attended the South East Land Trust Celebration held in Madbury, NH this past Saturday. The Town of Plaistow received an award of Appreciation for the preservation of over 400 acres into an easement in the Town Forest. This was the largest easement they had in the last 2 years.

As a result, there is another award, The Jack Keefe award that will be presented to Plaistow though they would like to come the Board of Selectman's meeting to present that award.

S. Ranlett thanks J. Senter for all her hard work and acknowledges that Plaistow may not have received this recognition without her dedication to the Town and conservation.

J. Senter notes that the Conservation Committee is wrapping up the Forest Trail Grant that has been received. At the end of June, there will be an additional bridge to the Town Forest as well as updated maps and brochures.

S. Ranlett requests the updated map be put on the Town's website.

J. Senter presents the South East Land Trust Appreciation award to the Board of Selectmen.

S. Ranlett reads the inscription on the Appreciation Award.

J. Sherman recommends that residents visit the Town Forest.

TRACY FULLER- PLAISTOW YMCA

Introduces herself to Tammy Bergeron and Julian Kiszka as the Regional Director. She comes before the Board tonight to share some of the activities occurring at the Plaistow YMCA.

S. Ranlett reads an email sent by Selectman J. Ingerson, who could not be present tonight. It states that she apologizes for her absence and supports working the YMCA, an organization that has done so much for so many. She requests the Board fully support the organization to make it part of what Plaistow has to offer making Plaistow a better community.

T. Fuller presents a video of current activities at the Plaistow YMCA to display the growth and impact they have had on the community in a short period.

20 (Twenty) Volunteer Board of Directors is made up of local business owners, Selectmen, Community Leaders and local residents. They have grown from 100 members to over 2000 members since December 2013. Opened the childcare center last November with 12 participants and now have over 40 participants. They have received support from the United Granite Way for their early learning center through a literacy grant. The Plaistow YMCA is offering classes, camps and summer programs provided to residents regardless of their ability to pay. Close to \$100,000 will be given away in financial assistance, made possible with the generosity of the donors, town and community support.

The Plaistow YMCA has made a significant impact with the teens.

Last year, the YMCA requested funding to support local teen initiatives. Through creative funding and support from S. Fitzgerald, the Plaistow YMCA has been able to offer three Teen Nights, with an average of 70-80 middle school teens each Saturday night. They have full use of the facility with pizza that allows them an opportunity to hang out and be teens lead by Y Staff to engage in leadership activities. The YMCA is a member and partner of the Rockingham County Coalition for Healthy Youth.

The YMCA's goal is create a stronger community, meeting the needs of the community and opportunities for adult healthy living and responsible youth development. They enhance and support the Plaistow Recreation Department.

The YMCA also serves the senior citizens of Plaistow, offering Pickle Ball, Senior Wellness Zumba gold, walking clubs.

T. Bergeron inquires if there is a senior discount. T. Fuller states that the YMCA is an income based Y.

J. Sherman notes that his wife serves on the Board of the YMCA.

J. Sherman inquires about a pool coming to the YMCA.

T. Fuller states that are in the feasibility study phase, Plaistow is one of two communities in New Hampshire that does not have a natural body of water or pool. They are currently working with a business next door that has an outdoor pool to conduct some programs at their pool.

They realize there is a need and are working with community to make this happen together.

The estimated cost for an indoor pool is roughly \$ 2 ½ million. Discussion of enhancing the opportunities of funding for the pool ensues.

J. Sherman notes that teen programs offered are super. T. Bergeron agrees that teens need a place to go and inquires if they need to be members. T. Fuller notes they do not need to be members and offer all teen's different types of opportunities, not just athletics.

She recognizes the community's desire to have the YMCA in town; every aspect of the community, schools, religious organizations, municipalities and business owners has embraced them.

They would like to continue to grow, provide walking trails, pool and continue to affect the community with healthy living and youth programs.

The YMCA membership has reciprocity so that allows the use of YMCA's in other communities. Further discussion ensues regarding swim lessons, skateboard parks and the time line of a pool, it is approximately 2017.

T. Bergeron requests T. Fuller to explain the events that the YMCA is sponsoring at Plaistow's Old Home Day and the timeline.

PALMER GROVE DEDICATION

S. Ranlett notes that with the passing of Alden Palmer, it would be fitting to name the newest section of the cemetery Palmer Grove. J. Alden Palmer was avid historian and was involved in the Town for many years on the Planning Board, his family a standard-bearer and his father Fire Chief for many years.

S. Fitzgerald reviews the history of the land swap of 3 ½ acres adjacent to the cemetery and the right of first refusal of any of the Palmer land which allows the Town to purchase additional land that could be beneficial for the Town with a power point presentation.

J. Sherman notes that it was a land swap and not a purchase, there was no money involved in the transaction.

J. Sherman motions to dedicate the 3.5 acres of land that was recently transferred to the Town of Plaistow, the Palmer Grove section of Plaistow's historic town cemetery. S. Ranlett 2nds.

Vote 4-0-0 Motion passes.

S. Fitzgerald will draft a letter to the family.

PLAISTOW FIRST RECOMMENDATIONS

J. Sherman begins the discussion by reviewing the recommendations of the Plaistow First Committee from 2013 and following up on current town owned land that was recommended to sell or swap. The following parcels recommended for sale:

- Lot 38-20 7 Massasoit Blvd- Buildable House lot the Town has does not have a use.
- Lot 9-11 Old Stagecoach Rd- Buildable, residential, historic deed, compile updated valuation, and verify access to property.
- Lot 59-8 off Autumn Circle, Question if landlocked, see current paperwork
- Lots 30-65, 31-68 & 43-12- McGuerr Property:
30-65 and 31-68 are wet lands, 43-12 is dry and zoned for commercial.
- Lots 69-51, 69-54 and 73-3, these lots border Haverhill by Route 108, question of landlocked. Look to abutters on the Haverhill side
- Lot 69-21- Question wetlands –require more information.

These lots are discussed in detail; it is requested to pull the tax cards for all the above properties to review at a future Board meeting.

J. Sherman asks the Board to review the documents and will review their recommendations at a future Board meeting. He reiterates it is not the Board's intention to start selling property and there is a lengthy process required before any property is sold.

S. Fitzgerald notes that the process requires any proposals to be presented to committees for review and public hearings are required as it is important for the custodial use of land.

J. Sherman request the assessments be kept up to date on these lots.

Discussion ensues regarding the updating of the current Town map and converting the colors to those that have been acquired by the Town.

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

GREE Update

Public Safety Complex Project

Town Hall Well failed- Emergency circumstance- Public Health issue

Vacancies filled- Facilities Maintenance Supervisor and Administrative Assistant

Unlicensed Dogs

Tax Bills have been sent out

Town Wide Yard Sale

All State Abatement Professionals

NH Boys State

PARC Updates

Fire Department

Capital Improvement Plan

Upcoming Library events

Traffic Counts

Westville Road Bridge Design Approval

Catch Basin Updates

Safe Routes to School

Old Home Day Art Exhibit
Recreation Events
Timberlane High School Graduation

ACTION ITEM REVIEW

The items are reviewed.

OTHER BUSINESS

SIGNATURE FOLDER

S. Ranlett states the manifest and signature folder are going around.

SELECTMENS REPORTS

J. Sherman-

- Requests CIP meeting schedule.
- Involved in the Timberlane Regional School District CIP.
- Cemetery Fence- D. Poliquin did a nice job repairing the fence and is working on the sign. Notes that the bids were sealed for the fence work and that D. Poliquin was chosen due to his price not due to being a Board member.

J. Kiszka- Nothing to report

T. Bergeron-

- Old Home Day- Art exhibit, 57 vendors, low number of food vendors, parking info on Police Face Book page.

S. Ranlett-

- Planning Board updates
- Attended the wake and funeral of Alden Palmer- Thank you to all that supported the family.

MOTION BY J. Sherman TO ENTER INTO NONPUBLIC SESSION BY: under RSA 9-A: 311 (a) Personnel, (b) Hiring, (c) Reputation, (d) Negotiation, (e) Legal

2nd J. Kiszka

Board Polled: S. Ranlett = yes, J. Sherman = yes, T. Bergeron = yes, J. Ingerson=excused, J. Kiszka=yes.

Public Session adjourned at 8:34 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Gayle Hamel
Recording Secretary