

**TOWN OF DEERFIELD  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
May 21, 2012  
MINUTES**

**Call to Order**

5:30pm: Chairman, Steve Barry called the meeting to order.

**Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**

Chairman Barry asked all to rise and pledge allegiance to the Flag.

**Present:** Steve Barry, Chairman; Alan O'Neal, Vice Chairman; Bill Perron and Richard Pitman Selectmen

**Also Present:** Leslie A. Boswak, Town Administrator

**Scheduled Appointments**

**A. Alex Cote – Paving Update**

Alex Cote provided the Board with a Highway Department Update, the paving on Meeting House Hill will be completed on Thursday. At this time, he does not feel that the Nottingham Road project discussed at the last meeting will be able to be completed. They may take up the subject again in the fall, but at this point he does not feel comfortable that they can proceed with any Nottingham Road work and maintain the bottom line of the Department's budget.

**B. Chief Greeley – Department Update**

Chief Greeley presented the Board with a contract for a conditional offer of Full-Time Employment for the Deerfield PD. Vice Chairman O'Neal asked what the yearly amount presented breaks down to per hour and if everything was in order with the individual. Chief Greeley responded \$18.50/hour as discussed and confirmed that the candidate has completed their physical, is certified and fully trained and has given notice to his current employer. They are finalizing the background check. Chairman Barry summarized that Chief Greeley has made a recommendation that the Board issue a conditional offer of employment to Joseph K. Lister to serve in the role of a Full-Time Certified Officer at an annual salary of \$38,480.

**Motion** – Vice Chairman O'Neal moves to approved the conditional offer of employment

**Second** – Selectman Perron

**All in Favor** – Motion Carries

Chief Greeley updated the Board on the open Part-Time position. There is an individual currently a Full-Time Officer in Rochester who they are conducting a background check on to serve in that role. L. Boswak informed the Board that the Town has received the Legal Opinion from Attorney Mark Broth that they can ask individual to attend the Part-Time Academy at their own cost. Chief Greeley has a local individual who would be interesting in doing so and then filling an on-call role within the Department as discussed. The Board was OK with his proceeding as discussed.

Officer Wilson has approached the Department with a request that he might be allowed to earn extra Comp time, as was the case in a recent situation with Officer Trottier. The proposal would allow him to accumulate a maximum of 200 hours of Comp time, where the current maximum allowed is 80 hours. The board will review the current policy and act on this at a future date.

**Regular Business/Signatures**

**- Approval of Minutes from May 7<sup>th</sup> and May 14<sup>th</sup>**

**Motion to approve as written** – Vice Chairman O'Neal

**Second** – Selectman Perron

**All in Favor** – Motion Carries

**- Accounts Payable - \$560,081.38 of which \$500.000 carries to the School**

**Motion** – Vice Chairman O'Neal moves to approve

**Second** – Selectman Perron

**All in Favor** – Motions Carries

**- Agenda Appointment Policy**

**Motion** – Vice Chairman O'Neal moves to approve the Agenda Appointment Policy as written

**Second** – Selectman Perron

**All in Favor – Motion Carries**

**- Passenger Transportation Policy**

**Motion** – Vice Chairman O’Neal moves to approve the Passenger Transportation Policy as written, noting it applies only to 8-12 passengers

**Second** – Selectman Perron

**All in Favor – Motions Carries**

**- Fill Disposal Policy**

**Motion** – Vice Chairman O’Neal moves to approve the Fill Disposal Policy as written

**Second** – Selectman Perron

**All in Favor – Motion Carries**

**- 2011 Tax Abatement – Cub Scout/Boy Scout Troop**

Chairman Barry has received notice that the Board can abate at any time and are able to consider the Scouts exempt under a Charitable classification. He has for execution a Notice of Abatement of 2011 Taxes for \$115 and \$191 to the Deerfield Boy Scout and Cub Scout Troops on two pieces of booth space located on the Town Fairgrounds.

**Motion** – Vice Chairman O’Neal moves to approve the Abatement as read

**Second** – Selectman Perron

**All in Favor – Motion Carries**

**- 2012 Tax Abatement – Cub Scout/Boy Scout Troop**

Chairman Barry has for execution a Notice of Abatement of Taxes for the first half of 2012 for \$58 and \$95 to the Deerfield Boy Scout and Cub Scout Troops on two pieces of booth space located on the Town Fairgrounds.

**Motion** – Vice Chairman O’Neal moves to approve the Abatement as read

**Second** – Selectman Perron

**All in Favor – Motion Carries**

**- Notice of Abatement – Town of Deerfield - \$209 for a piece of Conservation Land on Dow Rd**

**Motion** – Vice Chairman O’Neal moves to approve the Abatement as read

**Second** – Selectman Perron

**All in Favor – Motion Carries**

**- Appointments – Parks and Recreation**

The Board is in receipt of a letter from Dwight Barnes to re-appoint Jack Hutchinson, Julie DeCosta and Jeff Schute to the Commission. Additionally, he recommends appointing Ernie Robert to fill the vacant position.

**Motion** – Vice Chairman O’Neal moves the appointments as recommended

**Second** – Selectman Perron

**All in Favor – Motion Carries**

**- Current Use Application – Steven B. Hicks, 16 Old Coffeetown Road**

**Motion** – Vice Chairman O’Neal moves to approve

**Second** – Selectman Perron

**Discussion** – As part of the ongoing efforts of the Assessing Department to clean up the Current Use Files this is an administrative update to a Current Use form already on file with the Town.

**All in Favor – Motion Carries**

**- Pole Application – NH Electrical Co-Op, Brown Road**

**Motion** – Vice Chairman O’Neal moves to approve

**Second** – Selectman Perron

**All in Favor – Motion Carries**

**- Tax Collector’s Warrant in amount of \$5,500 for Land Use Change Tax to the Gina G White Revocable Trust, Hartford Brook Rd**

**Motion** – Vice Chairman O’Neal moves to approve

**Second** – Selectman Perron

**All in Favor – Motion Carries**

**- Tax Collector’s Warrant in amount of \$6,000 for Land Use Change Tax to the Gina G White Revocable Trust, Hartford Brook Rd**

**Motion** – Vice Chairman O’Neal moves to approve

**Second** – Selectman Perron

**All in Favor – Motion Carries**

**- Tax Collector’s Warrant in amount of \$6,000 for Land Use Change Tax to the Gina G White Revocable Trust, Hartford Brook Rd**

**Motion** – Vice Chairman O’Neal moves to approve

**Second** – Selectman Pitman

**All in Favor – Motion Carries**

**- Letter to Robert & Sherry Moulton re: Intent to Cut Wood or Timber**

**Motion** – Selectman Pitman moves to execute signatures

**Second** – Selectman Perron

**All in Favor – Motion Carries**

**- Warrant Collection of Land Use Change Tax - \$100 to the Richard Pitman Revocable Trust**

**Motion** – Vice Chairman O’Neal moves to approve

**Second** – Selectman Perron

**Vote – 3 Yea, 0 Nay, 1 Abstained – Motion Carries**

**- Timber Tax Levy in the amount of \$18,061.45 to residents Kelley, Belair, Graves, Cannon and Brodsky**

**Motion** – Vice Chairman O’Neal moves to approve as written

**Second** – Selectman Perron

**All in Favor – Motion Carries**

**- Timber Tax Levy in the amount of \$5,642.57 to residents Davies, Barnes, the Brown Family Trust, and the Mathis Family Unlimited Partnership**

**Motion** – Vice Chairman O’Neal moves to approve as written

**Second** – Selectman Perron

**All in Favor – Motion Carries**

**- Notice of Intent to Cut Wood or Timber, Thomas & Julie Kukla, Coffeetown Rd**

**No Discussion – Signatures Executed**

**- Notice of Intent to Cut Wood or Timber, The Joseph Brown Family Trust, Parade Rd**

**No Discussion – Signatures Executed**

**- Notice of Intent to Cut Wood or Timber, Dwight Barnes, Harvey Rd**

**No Discussion – Signatures Executed**

**Unfinished Business**      None

**Town Administrator’s Report**      None

**Other Business**      None

**New Business**

Vice Chairman O’Neal noted that the bottom of the Agenda reads that the next meeting will be Monday, May 29<sup>th</sup>, please note it will be on Tuesday, May 29<sup>th</sup> as Monday is a Holiday.

Vice Chairman O’Neal would also like to bring the Board’s Attention to the fact that the current agreement between the Town and the Deerfield Fair Association with respect to 53 acres of land located on Map 424, Lot 102 is approaching its 10 year expiration date on June 24, 2012. The taxes on this piece of land had been waived in exchange for allowing the Town Parks and Recreation Department to use the fields for athletic programs. With the new Hartford Brook Fields now available for use the Parks and Rec Department did not see any need to continue the agreement. Chairman Barry asked what the tax impact is and how Vice Chairman O’Neal would suggest the Board proceed. Vice Chairman O’Neal did not know and had not finalized his opinion on the issue. The Board will review and discuss further at its next meeting.

**Citizens Comments**

Speaking as a citizen, Alex Cote feels that the newly approved Fill Disposal Policy is unfair. It states that fill will not be distributed to Town Employees. If no one else is in want of the fill he does not see why this should be the case.

Ms. Cady agreed with Alex, and would like to know how citizens would be aware if and when fill is available. She feels the

policy should reflect how people will be informed. She also believes that the 53 acre lot on the fairgrounds mentioned by Vice Chairman O'Neal is taxed for its view on the Lamprey River and wonders if there is any waiver being made at all.

**Meeting Adjourned to Non-Public Session under RSA 91:A:3, II, (c)**

6:20pm

**Motion** – Vice Chairman O'Neal moves to adjourn to Non-Public Session

**Second** – Selectman Perron

**Vote – 4 yay, 0 nay – Meeting is Adjourned**

**Next Meeting Tuesday, May 29<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 am**

*The Minutes were Transcribed and Respectfully Submitted by Katherine A. Libby, Recording Secretary.  
Pending Approval by the Board of Selectmen*