

Minutes of November 21, 2011

The Meeting was opened at 6:30 PM; all members were present.

The Board convened a joint meeting with the Finance Committee to review and discuss the appointment of Ira Yohalem to the vacant position on the Finance Committee. Mr. Yohalem advised the Boards of his background and that he is a full time resident and voter. A motion was made, seconded and so voted to appoint Mr. Yohalem to the Finance Committee until the next town election in May.

A motion was made, seconded to open the special permit hearing for Ms. Joyce Hackett of 618 East Hill Road. Ms. Hackett is applying for a permit to convert a former kennel into a guest house. It was noted that all the abutters were notified by certified mail, public hearing notice was advertised in the Berkshire and that all Town departments were notified of hearing; only board with a comment was from the Board of Health showing that septic design had been modified to accommodate the change. Being that there was no objection a motion was made, seconded and so voted to approve the special permit. A roll count was called: Lawrence H. Davis, III – Yes, Nathaniel H. Yohalem – Yes, Tara B. White – Yes.

Owen Hoberman advised that someone had dumped concrete blocks on Norfolk Road, and is willingly to pick them up. The Board is aware of this and the Highway Department will pick up the blocks.

The Chair advised that when annual appointments had been made, Celia June was overlooked for appointment on the Council on Aging. A motion was made, seconded and so voted to appoint Celia June to the Council on Aging for the term expiring June 30, 2012.

The Board reviewed and discussed the upcoming holiday schedule. After some discussion it was decided that the Town Hall would be closed November 24th & 25th for Thanksgiving, closed beginning at noon on December 23rd through December 26th for Christmas, and closed January 2nd for New Years.

A motion was made, seconded and so voted to open a pole hearing for National Grid opened at 7:00 p.m.; Lisa Jasinski was in attendance representing the petitioner National Grid. She advised that National Grid is requesting permission to secure an anchor line to one of the poles located on Clayton Mill River Road. After a brief discussion a motion was made, seconded and so voted to approve the petition subject to the approval of the Highway Superintendent.

It was noted that an ad needed to be placed to advertise a vacant position for a Part-time Police Officer. A motion was made, seconded and so voted to place an ad to fill the vacant position and to set up a meeting with the Chief of Police to further discuss the matter.

Being that there was no further business to be brought before the Board a motion was made, seconded and so voted to adjourn at 7:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Skorput
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