



TOWN OF NEW LONDON, NEW HAMPSHIRE

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BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES August 25, 2014

PRESENT:

Janet Kidder, Chair
Nancy Rollins, Selectman
Peter Bianchi, Selectman
Kim Hallquist, Town Administrator
Wendy Johnson, Finance Officer

ALSO PRESENT:

Leigh Bosse, *The Messenger*
Minette Sweeney, *Intertown Record*
Ed Andersen, Police Chief
Kris McAllister, Assistant Assessor
Amy Rankins, Benefits Administrator
Phil St. Cyr, Primex
Other attendees:

Jonathan Ohler	Terry Dancy
Will Kidder	Joan Lamson
John and Kittie Wilson	Tina Helm
Sue Andrews	Edward Prince
Ed & Cindy Canane	Marilyn Kidder
Peter Winship	Peter Morey
Myra Ferguson	Steve Sonnaban

Chair Kidder called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

Presentation of Primex Prime Award

Amy Rankins, Benefits Administrator, introduced Phil St. Cyr, the Town's Primex representative (worker's compensation provider). Mr. St. Cyr informed the Board that he was happy to award the Town the Primex "Prime Program Award" which recognizes towns that meet high standards for safety. Mr. St. Cyr said the Town of New London received this award, which signified a benefit to everyone in the town. New London is one of 100 out of 600 members (companies/organizations) to have achieved this award. Thanks to the hard work of Amy Rankins, Kim Hallquist, and Wendy Johnson, the award was being presented. Mr. St. Cyr noted that the less people who are injured in the Town, the less insurance will cost. The award is monetary but also brings awareness to risk management. Some members take 6-8 months to receive the award; Ms. Rankins got everything together in just about a month's time, with support from others in the Town. Those at the meeting applauded Ms. Rankins and Mr. St. Cyr.

Pleasant Street Logging

Chair Kidder asked the Town Administrator to review the Town's understanding of the issues surrounding the complaints of the logging operation. Ms. Hallquist said the logging was being done by Ed and Cindy Canane, owners of the property on Pleasant Street. She explained that the office was notified on Tuesday, August 12th that a stream near where the logging was taking place had started

running dirty. It was immediately thought that this was due to the logging operation. Planning & Zoning Administrator Lucy St John immediately contacted the landowner to request that operations cease while the issue was investigated. At that time the property owner informed her that the loggers observed a “torrent of water” flowing through the property. This was the day before the big rain event. The loggers suggested the large amount of water was coming from something (a dam perhaps) upstream and it was not due to the logging operation.

Ms. Hallquist noted that it was the understanding of office staff that nearby property owner, Jonathan Ohler, had already contacted the police, DES and the Pleasant Lake Protective Association. The Police called a state forester who inspected the property within hours of getting the call. The forester inspected the area and then spoke with Ms. St. John, telling her that he did not see anything that was worrisome. Best management practices were being used and he did not believe the dirty water had anything to do with what the loggers were doing. On Wednesday, the morning of the storm, DES came and took various samples of water. Upon visual inspection, it was believed that there was nothing amiss. Since then, the report has come in which has been submitted to the PLPA. The turbidity report came back which was not alarming.

Ms. Hallquist went on to explain that the prior Friday, she, Wendy Johnson and Lucy St. John went upstream to see what they could find. Mr. Canane had heard there was a manmade dam upstream but in fact, it was found to be a beaver dam. On Friday, it appeared that part of the dam had broken free. This would explain a torrent of water, as was explained by the loggers. The reports from forester, DES and NRCS have reported that best management practices were being used. Thursday, Mr. and Mrs. Canane came into the town office as they understood there was concern about their project. The Canane’s are aware of the concern and came in voluntarily. The loggers knew the rain was coming on Wednesday and were removing the stream crossing bridges on Tuesday to minimize erosion when heavy rains came. If this removal was not done, heavy rain could have washed around the bridges causing more damage. She understood logging operations are concerning, especially around water, which is why they have received so many calls. Given all of the information she has received, she no longer believes that the logging operation caused the dirty water on Tuesday, instead, it was the sudden and large release of water upstream of the logging operation that caused the streams to run muddy.

Ms. Hallquist reported that Mr. Lee (Public Works Director) inspected all the streams and brooks Wednesday evening during the storm to see if there might be issues with roads washing out. He observed that all the brooks and streams in town were muddy; as might be expected with such heavy rainfall. On Thursday morning, Ms. Hallquist went with Mr. Lee and observed the stream near Mr. Ohler’s property along with various other streams in town. While the stream near the Olher’s property was not yet back to entirely clear, it was not as muddy as the one on County Road which had nothing to do with any logging operation.

Ms. Hallquist concluded by noting that she felt the Town’s staff responded as well as they could with the information they had and conducted appropriate follow-up with Mr. Canane. She felt that while there was muddy water that went into the lake on Tuesday, it was not caused by the logging operation but instead from a release of water upstream, probably from the beaver dam.

Mr. Dancy commented that there was a reason there was a 100’ buffer around the streams. He didn’t understand why they were allowed to cut within it. He thought the Selectmen’s interpretation of the permitted uses were incorrect.

Chair Kidder asked to hear from the Canane’s before any further questions were asked.

Ed Canane said everything they were doing is permitted by New London's Zoning regulations and by State regulations. He respectfully disagreed with Mr. Dancy's position that activities injurious to the lake came from their operation. He noted that he has the support from a State forester and NRCS (Natural Resources Conservation Services). Mr. Canane gave some history of the project. He said that among other things, they are a "Farm of Distinction," and holds memberships and offices in several organizations promoting healthy practices of raising and grazing cattle. He noted that by trade, he is a software developer but enjoys farming. He and his wife have built farms in North Sutton and in New London. They are a grazing operation and were the first to be graded as "Certified Grass Fed" by the USDA and are the only farm in NH that does so. He has grazed some of his cattle on Seamans Road and had to get permission from the Planning Board to do so. There had been resistance from one neighbor who later found the grazing animals to add value to her property.

Mr. Canane explained that his cattle graze on their own home farm on Baker Road, property which is partially in New London and in Sutton. They are working to create grasslands for grazing and are cognizant about water quality whether it is a vernal pool or a lake. They pay careful attention to water. Mr. Canane said they went through the Planning Board process to be able to graze their cattle on Pleasant Street and conditions were put on their approval. He said that John Wilson and Richard Anderson requested a NRCS Conservation Plan, which, at the time, was very difficult to get. Nonetheless, he tried and got one. He paid for a Grazing Plan on the property as well. Mr. Canane noted that these documents are personal; they are running a farm and business and don't release the documents because they don't need to; it is part of their business model.

Mr. Canane said that the Planning Board asked them to stay 10' off of Red Brook and White Brook with the use of a fence. The approval was for May through November, but he said it would more likely be June – September. They expected to have eight animals on the property, but will likely go by pounds of animal instead of head. Mr. Canane reminded those at the meeting about the Mill Pond Study that was done that explained how a dairy farm, where the fencing was right on the banks of the brook, destroyed the pond. He said that the NRCS's advisory document suggests staying 35' from the stream instead of 10', as the Planning Board suggested so he will be adhering to 35' not the 10' as allowed by the Planning Board.

Mr. Canane noted that the State Conservationist was on his property the other day and sent him a letter, from which he read. The letter applauded the Canane's for adhering to the conservation plan.

Mr. Canane said that they have chosen September 1st as the day they will bring in a professional crew to ready the property for the "cover crop" to prevent erosion. They will shear the stumps instead of pulling them out. Shearing costs more than if they made a wind row and pulled them out, but they do this because they respect the land and the property. They think it will be five workdays for the front portion to be complete and ready for planting. Mr. Canane said they are thinking of hydro-seeding. They will also put in some erosion control measures, such as some diagonal lines of silt fencing instead of straight fencing, which will not hold up over time.

Mr. Canane said it is important to him and his wife that they have all these plans from NRCS and that they have abided to the forestry guidelines. He said this has been a horrendous experience so far; the police have been called, lies were told about trucks being on the road, which there were not. The Cananes called the Police only once because someone defecated near a skidder on Pleasant Street. He said there have been numerous unsubstantiated accusations by anonymous people. He was offended by the fact that someone called NRCS to ask for their conservation plan. He added that he knew the testing that was supposed to be done at Red Brook in conjunction with PLPA was not being done.

Sue Andrews, resident, said she was not opposed to what the Cananes are doing on the property as it has potential to being a benefit to the Town in a lot of ways. She was happy to hear about the 35' boundary zone but didn't feel the Board of Selectmen and the Town knew what people were doing, noting that they are just hearing about the 35' change and it was not discussed during the town's presentation earlier in the meeting. She thought there were a lot of things the Selectmen and the Town weren't on top of.

Ms. Hallquist said the Town has been in contact with Mr. Canane throughout the process. She noted that when she met with the Cananes last Thursday, he updated her on his plans, including the change to the 35'. She noted that since the Cananes were present at the meeting and she felt it more appropriate to allow them to present their plan. Ms. Hallquist stressed that Town's staff have been in touch with the Cananes often and the Cananes have always been forthcoming responding to requests for information.

Edward Prince was confused about the several different boundaries that had been set: 100', 10', and 35' questioning how it could be changed from what was originally voted. Ms. Hallquist said the 100' that has been discussed is the streams overlay district, the boundaries of which are 100' on each side of the stream. However, this district does include permitted uses, such as forestry activities and agricultural activities. What the property owners are doing is permitted within the 100'. Mr. Canane's commercial agricultural operation required a site plan which is why he went before the Planning Board. There was concern about the 100' buffer during the site plan process before the Planning Board because many didn't want things done within the 100'. The 10' being discussed is what the Planning Board required as a buffer to the stream. Mr. Canane's conservation plan recommended 35' so that is what he used. Some disagree that anything should be allowed within that 100' and that is the argument many are making in this case. Ms. Hallquist pointed out that bringing zoning changes to the voters is a fairly easy process and should be discussed with the Planning Board.

Selectman Bianchi said it was confusing in the ordinance and hard to know what they were allowed to do. There is some confusion that needs to be cleared up with zoning reduce confusion.

Peter Winship, 501 Lakeshore Drive and member of the PLPA board thanked Mr. Canane for his presentation. He noted that in the planning process, Mr. Canane had said they would utilize silvo-pasturing and asked why that plan was no longer being followed. Mr. Canane said silvo-pasturing is integration of pasturing in the forest. That was their original intention; they would need to keep marketable trees on the property to do so. However, since the buffer has gone from 10' to 35', the acreage they lost was dramatic. Abandoning the silvo-pasturing plan made sense in light of going to 35' from 10'. He also noted that a lot of ash trees were on the property, which are the kind of trees damaged in NH by the Emerald Ash Borer (an invasive species of beetle). The NRCS thought what they decided to do was a reasonable change, so they cut the trees that may otherwise become infested. Mr. Winship said the 10' boundary was based on a silvo-pasturing plan; the trees would provide shade and would keep the animals dispersed. Now that they are cutting more trees, he wondered if the animals would go right up to the 35' zone and "do their business" because they prefer the shade. Mr. Canane said they will rotate the pasture and he will control where the animals go. His objectives are water quality and forage. Red Brook dries out and they plan to put a stock tank (water) in an area. He noted that cattle will travel only a maximum of 600' to get to water so by moving the tank around, they will distribute the manure and urea evenly in this way. If their operation shows to be compromising water quality, he would take the animals out. Mr. Canane thought they would find this property on Pleasant Street to become a beautiful gateway to the lake.

Mr. Winship said if they are concerned about water quality, why was Mr. Canane offended by the water testing he is required to do. Mr. Canane said he was not offended by the testing, but the constant barrage by PLPA members. He said they now find themselves in a defensive position but soon they will become

offensive. The Town's ordinances need to change if people don't agree with what they are doing; it is currently permitted through the Town's ordinance.

Marilyn Kidder asked Mr. Canane to explain what he means by his plan to "paddock the animals" as he had noted, as some may have a different image in their minds. Mr. Canane said he uses one single strand of electric wire and it is easy to move and put up and keeps the animals where they want them. When they open the property up first, the animals will be allowed to go where they want (away from the brook) but in the fall they will segregate the property and rotate them.

Peter Morey, a retired large animal vet, suggested people go to Baker Road and look at what the Cananes have done, pointing out that he used to hunt in that area and it used to be woods. It is now open and grassy and he feels Mr. Canane's techniques are top notch compared with others he has seen as he has a well-organized plan.

John Wilson said he took issue with the explanation of what happened with the logging operation, noting that this incident shows the sensitivity of the Red and White brooks and the lake below. The people from PLPA are concerned with water quality and don't care what is grazing on the land. He asked if the 35' zone was going to be honored and where will the fence be placed. Mr. Canane said the fence will be a minimum of 35' from the stream, maybe further in some areas.

Myra Ferguson said she has a seasonal home on Lakeshore Drive. She drove down Pleasant Street and saw a forest being logged. Her granite state logging book says there has to be a 50' buffer from the stream. How does this fit in to the other buffers mentioned? She has a permanent home in Plainfield and is on the Conservation Commission there. She posed questions regarding a Forest Management Plan and how the urea and manure would be handled. Mr. Canane said they don't have a forestry plan because there isn't any forest left, and pointed out that they have a Grazing Plan which deals with density of animals, the stocking rate of animals, the type of forage, the height of the forage, etc. The manure and urea will only be there during grazing season. Rather than using equipment to spread it, they want the animals to do it themselves and he will control that by moving his stock tank. To address the buffer situation in the logging manuals, he noted that agriculture does not fall within that buffer regulation as forestry and agriculture regulations are different.

Steve Sonnaban, a resident on Lamson Lane said he doesn't know why the opening to the logging had to be so wide. Right now it is a horrible place to look at. He also couldn't believe that so many trees had to be taken down. Maybe even the 35' setback was not a good idea.

Kris McAllister said she has worked with the Canane's since they came to town. They purchased a parcel on Baker Road 6-7 years ago. She worked with them to convert their current use plan. It was in current use under "un-managed forest." She went out there a year later with the chief assessor and they were astonished as it is a stunning property to see. She fears that for many, the situation of the logging job at Seamans Road comes to mind and she wanted them to know that this is not going to be what Mr. Canane will do. She was confident that Mr. & Mrs. Canane would follow through with their plans.

Jonathan Ohler said he was a huge fan of Ed and Cindy's operation and he likes to know where his food comes from. If he knows the farmer, he likes to buy those products. Mr. Ohler went on to say that he saw what the Canane's did on Baker Road from the summit of Mt. Kearsarge and thought it looked great. The situation that prompted this meeting, however, has nothing to do with the approval process of the Planning Board. The situation has to do with a poorly conducted logging operation. He claimed that it was the Canane's logger that was silting the brook on Tuesday, August 12th based on his view of the property.

Mr. Ohler said he was the one who called the police and when he saw the skidder (the machine that pulls logs) was on the wood side of the bridge, he got more and more angry. He had never seen a brook run that brown. He called dispatch to see how to report a wetlands infraction. When he got back to his car, he called Mr. Canane. He watched the skidder go back and forth across the brook. He was amazed they hadn't seen more muddy water prior to this instance. The water was bubbling up in the skid road. This was some point Tuesday morning and they were trying to get it done quickly. The forester wasn't there until the logs were pulled from the brook. The next day, everything was washed clean by the rain. Had the crossings not been removed, it would have been much worse. He said the logger took a chance that he could cross the brook with the skidder without repercussions. Mr. Ohler said he witnessed this infraction, himself. It has been 32 years since he managed logging contractors so things may have changed, but added that this is a year-round brook, not an intermittent stream, where this kind of thing could be an accepted practice.

Mr. Ohler said the logs were floating and it was his assessment that the makeshift bridge had impounded water on one side and became a real problem. He did not see dirty water upstream which he walked about 100' up. It was a week after that he heard the beaver dam theory and he walked up to see it. There are two dams there and looked like a little of the dam had given way but there had been a lot of water and maybe the beavers didn't feel the need to repair it. He did not see any beaver sticks downstream.

Mr. Ohler asked how a contractor who, by Mr. Canane's estimation, had millions of dollars of equipment on site, would not invest in competent bridges to be used for this job. Mr. Canane said he disagreed with Mr. Ohler's assessment of the quality of the job done by the logger, as did the NH state forester who inspected the area on Tuesday. Mr. Canane noted that the logger used poled ford (a temporary stream crossing). Mr. Canane asked Mr. Ohler if he had been on his property to witness this. Mr. Ohler said he had and didn't feel it was a problem because Mr. Canane had allowed him to go onto the property in the past. Mr. Canane told Mr. Ohler that he was no longer allowed to go onto his land. It isn't right for anyone to go onto the land unless they ask his permission. He added that the poled ford the logger used was appropriate.

Mr. Canane said he and his wife feel like they are being violated. All people have to do is call him and he would be right over if there were questions or problems. Mr. Ohler said he witnessed the logger driving through the brook. Mr. Canane said no one looked above the property to see evidence that the large amount of water came from above his property. When he looked, he found trash in the brook and other things.

Kitty Wilson said there are lots of concerns that have come up and what concerns her the most is that there has not been a real effort on the town's part to gather all the information. No one talked to the first person who made the call to get the pictures right away. She observed that it appeared that the Town in this situation is erring on the side of the property owner. Mr. Canane has been allowed the floor to give a presentation. A lot is happening that is skewed to the property owner. They are asked to always trust what the property owner is saying. The whole Planning Board approval is based on silvo-pasturing which he is no longer even doing. Pleasant Lake Protective Association is being singled out as being bad and all they are doing is volunteering their time to protect their lake. They have been told they are being offensive if they ask questions and the Canane's feel they have been barraged. Ms. Wilson said their town is getting more and more out of control; and questioned if there is there an interest in working with the PLPA. She felt communication was poor.

Ms. Hallquist responded by noting that office staff do first look to property owners when an issue comes up. She explained that when they get a call from neighbors or assessors who report something, office staff asks the property owner for their side of it first. People don't like to be contacted about their property and

accused of things and she believed respecting the rights of property owners is important. When the office received information indicating that a stream was being impacted, Mr. Canane was contacted immediately and told to stop right away until the cause could be determined. When that call was made, Mr. Canane reported that a large amount of water had come onto his property from above, which was the cause of the stream running muddy. Within hours of being notified about the stream, Town staff spoke with a State Forester who indicated that there were no violations present on the property. Ms. St. John and Ms. Hallquist have been talking with Mr. Canane all along the way as well as State officials so she disagreed with the assertion the Town has not been active in collecting information. Ms. Hallquist noted that she understands that when trees are cut, people get upset, especially on or near any lake. She understands the sensitivity but disagreed that the Town had not been on this; Town staff acted immediately and appropriately considering the information they had before them.

Ms. Wilson said there was no contact with the PLPA regarding this issue. Ms. Hallquist said the first concern of staff when things started happening was to contact Mr. Canane to inform him of the Town's concern and to ask him to stop; it wasn't to contact PLPA to address the issue of the muddy stream. Ms. Hallquist stressed that office staff is happy to provide any information the Town has to anyone who asks. She noted that she understands that some people would prefer that nothing be done to the land, but Mr. Canane has approval to make changes to the land and it seemed as though the PLPA believed that there would be a negative impact on the lake as a result of Mr. Canane's planned changes. Mr. Wilson said that was not the case; they have a concern about the lake. Ms. Hallquist said she understands they are concerned about the lake and this was not a personal issue. Chair Kidder said they would get the PLPA a formal letter once they go over everything they talked about that night.

Ms. Hallquist concluded by noting that the information the Town got from the State Forester (on Tuesday, August 12th) and DES (on Wednesday, August 13th) indicated that from their on-site inspections, everything looked OK to them. This is the information Town staff had to work from and was the basis for the position that no further action on the part of the Town was appropriate.

Selectman Bianchi thought there were a lot of misunderstandings and confusion and didn't believe that people were concerned with anything but the quality of the lake water. What has happened has happened.

IT WAS MOVED (Peter Bianchi) AND SECONDED (Nancy Rollins) that the Town respond to the recommendations from NRCS and the State Forester to implement erosion control (silt fencing) to prevent future damage to the lake and that stumping not begin until this is in place and inspected by the Town and that it stay in place until the whole lot is stabilized.

Selectman Bianchi said there seems to be a lot of back and forth and mistrust. By making this motion there will be no questions that erosion control is up and will stay up until the land is stabilized. The Town will monitor it to protect their very important resource. Mr. Canane said they would comply.

Chair Kidder said she understood Mr. Canane was making an effort to do the right thing. She said many care deeply for Pleasant Lake.

Chair Kidder called for a vote: **THE MOTION WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Town Administrator's Report

Ms. Hallquist said she has heard back on the Haddad Trust. There is a question as to which Town board would approve expenditures from the Trust. Attorney Bart Mayer and State Charitable Trustee Terry Knowles have been contacted for their opinions.

Ms. Hallquist said the Town received a resignation from Allan Watley, one of the Trustees of the Trust Funds. The vacancy is filled by the Selectmen for the unexpired term, which goes until 2016. Meghan Wilkie has been approached by Malcom Wain, as he sees her as a good candidate. She has banking experience. Selectman Bianchi wondered if they usually advertise for this kind of thing. Ms. Hallquist said they could, but often vacancies are filled if there is an interested person who is qualified to assume the position, without the need to seek additional candidates.

IT WAS MOVED (Nancy Rollins) AND SECONDED (Peter Bianchi) to appoint Meghan Wilkie as Trustee of the Trust Funds to fill the balance of the Mr. Watley's term (2016). THE MOTION WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

With regards to the RFP for work to be done at Whipple Hall, Ms. Hallquist said she would draw it up by the end of the month.

Approval of Minutes

IT WAS MOVED (Nancy Rollins) AND SECONDED (Peter Bianchi) to approve the minutes of August 9, 2014, as amended. THE MOTION WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

There were three grammatical errors.

IT WAS MOVED (Nancy Rollins) AND SECONDED (Peter Bianchi) to approve the minutes of August 12, 2014, as circulated. THE MOTION WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

IT WAS MOVED (Rollins/Bianchi) to approve the minutes of August 19, 2014, as circulated. THE MOTION WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

Upcoming Meetings

Board of Selectmen's Meeting - September 15, 6pm
Planning Board – August 26, 7pm
Town Office Closed Labor Day
NH Primary – September 9 at Whipple Hall, 8am – 7pm

Selectman Bianchi would be at the polls from 8am to 1pm
Chair Kidder would be at the polls from 1pm – 7pm
Selectman Rollins would be away and unable to attend.

Selectmen's Meetings for October, 2014

Monday October 13th 6pm
Monday October 27th 6pm
CAC September 20th
CAC October 11th

Lucy St. John – Building Permit Discussion

Ms. St. John said a property owner has a house, garage, and an attached garage and is asking to put a car port on one of the garages. She has found that the structures are located in the streams overlay district and it does not appear that variances were granted. She asked for advice on how to proceed. Selectman Bianchi didn't think they should approve this request just because they approved it in the past in error. He offered that the applicants could go to the ZBA if they wanted to continue the discussion.

IT WAS MOVED (Peter Bianchi) AND SECONDED (Nancy Rollins) to deny the permit and suggest the applicant go to the ZBA if they wish to continue with their plans. THE MOTION WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

Ms. St. John said that the following evening Tom Mills, owner of the Flying Goose would be on the Planning Board agenda to review a Site Plan application for the addition of a pub. He submitted his building permit in advance, as he would like to begin construction as soon as possible. She informed Mr. Mills that she would present the building permit application to the Board of Selectmen, and asked that it be granted conditional approval, pending Site Plan approved by the Planning Board, so he wouldn't have to wait the additional two-weeks until the next Selectmen's meeting. Chair Kidder suggested they wait to see what happens at the Planning Board meeting and if needed, they could come in and sign the permit.

Ms. St. John said Grant and Krystal Smith have a purchase and sales agreement for the property at 108 Sparrowhawk Road. They submitted a building permit for two garden sheds they would like to move to the site in advance of the closing, which is scheduled. The Selectmen decided not to sign the permit but to wait until the sale was final. The applicant could then apply to put the sheds on their property.

Ms. St. John referred to a building permit submitted by Harry Snow for a property on Westside Drive. Staff visited the site and discovered that the foundation was already in without a building permit. There was discussion on whether they wanted to impose an after-the-fact fee of \$100. Selectman Bianchi thought they should double the building permit fee that had already been paid. He said by rights they could make Mr. Snow rip out the foundation. Ms. McAllister said the building permit will trigger taking this property out of Current Use and a penalty will be implied. Selectman Bianchi suggested they take this under advisement and have staff prepare a Cease and Desist letter to Mr. Snow (and the owner) and ask that Mr. Snow attend the next Board of Selectmen's meeting to discuss this issue with the Board.

Ms. St. John referred to an Intent to Cut for Hunters Hill Trust c/o Trust Sally M. Boyd-Sander property that was submitted to the Town on August 20, 2014 (Tax Map 051-015-000). The property is 119.69 acres and in Current Use. She provided the Board of Selectmen a copy of the Streams and Wetlands Overlay District map and some history on the property, including that it is a Tree Farm. She noted that considering the discussion on the Canane's Intent to Cut and issues raised about cutting in the stream overlay district, she wanted to bring this to their attention. Ms. St. John said that typically, Intent to Cut applications are included on the Planning Board agenda attachment list as an "FYI" and a copy is provided the Conservation Commission. Ms. St. John was advised to discuss these issues with the Planning Board and to ask for clarification on the language in the Zoning Ordinance. The Selectmen said they would wait to get input from the Planning Board and review the Intent to Cut at the next meeting.

Application for Building Permit:

- Keith Faccone & Mark Pederson – 16 Hominy Pot Road (132-007-000) – Build 14' x 18' pergola – APPROVED
- Thomas & Vicky Mills Trusts (The Flying Goose) – 40 Andover Road (122-001-000) – Build 1,200 sq' basement-level addition – PENDING APPROVAL FROM THE PLANNING BOARD.
- John & Margarette Ford – 23 County Road (059-020-000) – Demo 16'x14' deck and replace with 16'x14' sunroom – APPROVED
- Grant & Krystal Smith – 108 Sparrowhawk Road (065-019-000) – Place two (2) 12'x16' garden sheds on property – PENDING APPROVAL UNTIL OWNERSHIP OF PROPERTY IS TAKEN.

- Stephen & Mary Lotterhand – 12 Westside Drive (055-012-012) – Build new 3-bedroom home – PENDING APPROVAL
- Christopher & Pauline Lizotte – 598 Pleasant Street (048-010-000) – Demo 1-car garage and construct 2-car garage – APPROVED
- Norman & Miriam Cordell – 684 Burpee Hill Road (056-005-000) – Enlarge family room, add entry area, enlarge back door – APPROVED
- Julius & Barbara Federici – 55 Queenswood Road (118-003-003) – 18’x16’ car port attached to existing detached garage – DENIED

Application for Use of Syd Crook Conference Room:

Adventures in Learning (Daniel Schneider) – 1/7, 3/18, 4/17, 6/16 2015

Application for Use of Whipple Hall:

SKIT (Sunapee Kearsarge Intercommunity Theatre) – 10/21, 23, 24, 25, 26
New London Barn Playhouse – 11/1

Sign Permit Applications:

Colonial Pharmacy (Crosspoint Associates) – Replace current permanent sign (059-008-000)
First Baptist Church – Rally Day sign (085-032-000)

Other Items to be Signed:

Welfare Lien Release for 129 Elkins Road (088-001-000)
Intent to Cut Wood or Timber at 717 Lake Shore Drive (051-015-000)
Resolution Recognizing the Implementation of Risk Management Best Practices

**IT WAS MOVED (Peter Bianchi) AND SECONDED (Nancy Rollins) to adjourn the meeting.
THE MOTION WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.**

The meeting adjourned at 8:18pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristy Heath, Recording Secretary
Town of New London