



TOWN OF NEW LONDON, NEW HAMPSHIRE

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BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES July 23, 2012

PRESENT:

Peter Bianchi, Chair
Tina Helm, Selectman
Janet Kidder, Selectman
Kimberly Hallquist, Town Administrator

ALSO PRESENT:

David Seastrand, Police Chief
Doug MacMichael, New London Resident
Kris McAllister, Town Assessor
Merry Armentrout, Reporter for the *Intertown Record*
Leigh Bosse, Owner *The Messenger*
Maureen Prohl, New London Resident
Richard Lee, Public Works Director
Bruce Hudson & Renate Kannler, New London Residents

Chair Bianchi called the meeting to order at 6:00pm. He introduced Robin Albing who was there regarding the town ordinance prohibiting Transfer Station permits for those who own land with no structures on it. He said that he would be recusing himself from the discussion because he has worked for Ms. Albing in the past.

Ms. Robin Albing said she was not there to dispute the ordinance but wanted to explain her unique situation. Her property is in both Springfield and New London and can be found at 1293 Little Sunapee Road, New London and 307 Main Street, Springfield. The house is in Springfield but her dock, boat and water front is in New London. They spend a lot of time cleaning the waterfront as the property is often used for parking and people tend to dump their trash there. She was hoping that she could get a New London transfer station sticker to be able to continue cleaning this trash off her property and bringing it to New London's transfer station.

Ms. Kidder said that the ordinance was clear that only residents of New London can use the transfer station. This ordinance was changed just last year and there were several hearings to discuss it. She said that even though Ms. Albing's reasoning was valid and commendable, the Sunapee transfer station is where residents from Springfield need to take their trash.

Ms. Helm asked Ms. Albing how often she has to pick up rubbish. Ms. Albing said it is every weekend. The offenders are out-of-towners from Mass, Maine, etc. and they are dumping all year round. Her neighbors are appreciative of the fact that she cleans up the area regularly. Ms. Helm asked if her property was posted. Ms. Albing said it is but people still park and dump there. In the past people used it as if it was public property even though it was not and this use has continued. She painted a nice sign last year that says "no parking" and has tried to make the area look nice with flowers, but it is not working and people are still parking and dumping there.

Ms. Helm said that unfortunately the ordinance is what it is. This is a unique situation and it may be that they need to tweak the ordinance a bit to accommodate situations such as Ms. Albing's. She wondered if they could have an official Town sign put there to ward off parking. Ms. Helm also suggested that the Police Department could monitor this area. Chief Seastrand said that if it was approved as part of the parking ordinance they would be able to patrol it. Mr. Lee said that the road is a State Highway and they would have to get permission from the State to put up a "no parking" sign.

Ms. Helm said she was empathic to how Ms. Albing was feeling and thought perhaps they could appeal to the State to put up a sign and add this area to the Police Department's patrol area. Ms. Albing said that she didn't think that this would help. She patrols the land herself and it doesn't help. Ms. Kidder said she was in favor of asking the State for a sign and felt they needed to honor the ordinance as it was just newly adopted. Ms. Helm agreed and said that there were many, lengthy hearings about it.

Ms. Albing asked if it would be helpful if she monitored the trash situation and bring in photos of the trash that has been dumped on her land. Perhaps they could then make an exception. Ms. Kidder said that since Ms. Albing pays taxes in Springfield and since she doesn't know exactly where the rubbish is coming from, she should take it to the Sunapee transfer station. She didn't want to just make an exception, but felt that if they felt this was an issue that needed to be addressed, they should amend the ordinance. Ms. Albing said she would bring in documentation and perhaps this would help the Board of Selectmen to consider amending the ordinance.

Mr. Lee said they would have to change not only the ordinance, but the transfer station permit as well. The permit from the State requires that the trash has to be generated within a household in New London. He thought that probably Ms. Albing shouldn't have had a permit issued for the last several years due to the fact that she doesn't have a home in New London.

Ms. Albing said that they are putting an addition on their house which will cross over the New London town line. Would they then be considered a part of New London? Ms. McAllister, Assessor, said that it depends on where the bedrooms are when defining the domicile.

Ms. Hallquist was asked to contact the State about putting a "No Parking" sign on the road near the Albing's property. Mr. Hudson wondered if it was posted for "no littering" since it is a State road. Ms. Helm said that they would work with the State on this. Chief Seastrand said that they could also work with the homeowner with the use of surveillance cameras in an effort to identify those doing the littering.

Chief Seastrand – Hiring Update

Chief Seastrand said that on July 11th they conducted seven interviews with candidates ranging from those having no experience, to those having certifications, to one who is retired. There were six men and one woman among the candidates.

They have narrowed their preferences to three individuals. The first choice is someone who is certified by the State of New Hampshire, who lives in the area and is currently working for another department on a part-time basis. The second choice is another certified individual who is currently working in collections and is involved with K-9 handling. The third choice is someone who is on the fast track with several police departments but has no certifications. There are three other departments looking at him for employment.

Chair Bianchi felt that if Chief Seastrand had a strong recommendation, he should move forward in the process as he is the most qualified to make decisions for the department. Chief Seastrand said they were ready to move forward with the next step. He said that they would provide a conditional offer to their first

choice and that would get the ball rolling. They will then look into medical history, financial status, etc. The individual can either decline the offer or the Town can retract the offer if they find something that they don't like about the candidate. Chair Bianchi asked Chief Seastrand to come back when he has more information as the process moves forward.

Ms. Helm asked Chief Seastrand about the many "No Parking" signs that have gone up along the road near the Barn Playhouse. She thought the first ones read "No Parking - Per Order of the Board of Selectmen" and the others were the kind that can be purchased at a store. Chief Seastrand said that the area she was talking about is a no-parking section of the road and that during the Playhouse season it was agreed that one resident could install signs on their own. Other nearby residents are doing the same thing.

Chief Seastrand said that they should ask the State to put up "No Parking" signs near the mailboxes coming down Little Sunapee Road. They can't enforce this area as it isn't signed. Everett Park should also have some signage. He felt that they have created a problem in this area because of this oversight.

Chief Seastrand said that there had been concerns about the truck traffic/landscapers in Town. He has spoken to the company bringing things in and out of the college and hopefully there is less speeding and traffic due to those trucks. He has asked them to cone their trailers that cannot be moved onto the properties where they are doing the work.

Abatement Request Update – Kris McAllister

Chair Bianchi welcomed Kris McAllister, Assessor. He began the discussion by asking her to describe her definition of "chasing sales." He said that Norm Bernaiche (previous Assessor) always indicated that this wasn't something they could/should do.

Ms. McAllister said that chasing sales is bad and against the law and they can lose their certification if they do it. She defined "chasing sales" by saying it was when an assessor changes assessments via computer to what the sale price is after a property has sold, based solely on the sale price. There is a misunderstanding that if a sale occurs and a taxpayer submits an abatement application, the Town will automatically change the assessment. That is not the case. The abatements take months to research, talk to buyers, sellers, and brokers, and determine if they are arms-length transactions. Sometimes the data is bad and the properties haven't been visited. Sometimes they have few or no sales to rely on (such as the Seasons). What they found was that sales were higher for smaller condos than what they would have expected the larger condos to sell for. Ms. McAllister said that this was attributed to the belief shared by a local realtor with expertise in that area that people are looking to downsize. They now have a better idea what the market is on those condos. She stressed that they are not changing the assessments unless a taxpayer can prove to them that they (the assessors) can't defend the value. That is what is done with the abatement application. The Town is hovering at about 100% of market value. They research anything that is outside of this percentage.

Chair Bianchi said that what has happened is that the units sold at the Seasons, and according to her assessment, they have decreased the condos' value by over \$200,000. Since June 2011 there were seven sales, six of which were arms-length sales. She has changed one value by 30%. He wondered if the value of all the other free-standing units would go down by the same percentage. Of the remaining free-standing units, there is only one arms-length sale. The price for the condo didn't go up since 2008 so why are they now decreasing the value because of this one sale? He felt the reduction was only due to that one sale.

Ms. McAllister said that within the Seasons there is a section that extends off of the others and she has created those units into their own "neighborhood." This section is off the golf course and the sizes of the condos are about 4,000 sq. feet each. They have analyzed the other units and have been watching this

particular branch of the Seasons. In February, Mr. Bernaiche had mentioned in a memo that they were looking at the particularly large units because the market wasn't bringing buyers forward to buy them. She and Mr. Bernaiche went through and for units 60-66 created its own neighborhood and reduced those in line with the one that sold so they are all within the same value. They did this to the whole neighborhood. One unit there is on the market and has been for over two years. She had all the condominiums' information and it appeared that the sales in that area aren't doing very well. With the exception of the one sale, over the last two years, the Seasons is at a median ratio of 104.5% of market value. This is an acceptable level with the State. If the taxpayer in the case of this abatement took the Town to court because of a denial, this would show a perfect representation of disproportion. If she went to defend the denial, she would lose. The taxpayers are paying a disproportionate amount of property taxes with the current assessment. Ms. McAllister said she has analyzed all of these factors and that is the ratio that she has found.

Ms. McAllister said that their goal is to treat everyone fair and equitable. Until a willing buyer and seller get together to make market value it is difficult to assess. Location matters when selling the condos. These in question are off the beaten path and they don't even have a view of the golf course. She believed that treating this taxpayer fair and equitably by bringing them into the realm of proportion rather than disproportion was the right thing to do.

Chair Bianchi opined that they have taken the value of the condos down because of one sale. Ms. McAllister disagreed with his logic. She didn't want to defend a denial in court because she believes the market has spoken. She has looked at past and future sales and they have had no sales there. They valued it at the same factor as all the other units there. They created a separate neighborhood for six units based on location and size. Their suggestion was not just due to the one sale but what is on the market there as well, and also from what she is hearing from realtors who are familiar with what is happening in that area.

The Board reviewed the memos of recommendation on abatement requests as prepared by Ms. McAllister:

Everett, Wilmot Center Road – This was a data issue. The Board agreed with Ms. McAllister's findings.

Bruce Hudson & Renate Kannler – They will be going to the BTLA, this appeal was denied.

McChesney – Chair Bianchi felt that the house has been there for quite a while and there haven't been many sales in that area. Ms. McAllister said that the sale that occurred next to Marshall's Garage had an adjustment of 5%, which is a consistency adjustment for a negative attribute (busy garage, grocery store, etc.), and to be consistent she applied this to both properties on either side of the garage. The Board agreed with Ms. McAllister's findings.

McMurroch, Stoneybrook. There were some unfinished areas above the garage that had been considered finished. The Board agreed with Ms. McAllister's findings.

Gremel – The taxpayer feels they were over assessed on their lake access lot. Ms. McAllister said that similar sales seem consistent and she did not recommend abatement. The Board agreed with Ms. McAllister's findings.

Cate Boathouse – Ms. McAllister said she has comps to support her denial and does not recommend abatement. The Board agreed with Ms. McAllister's findings.

Barrett – It was determined that this house is in disrepair. Chair Bianchi asked if the house was fixed up would its value increase. Ms. McAllister said it would. The Board agreed with Ms. McAllister's findings.

Malia, South Pleasant Street across from the highway garage – This was found to be a data issue. It was considered a multi-family home but it is actually a single family home with an in-law apartment. It was comped as "apartment buildings" which it is not. The Board agreed with Ms. McAllister's findings.

Spencer – This property had a changed condition. The Board agreed with Ms. McAllister's findings.

Fitzgibbons – Ms. McAllister noted that this property owner can take the issue further if they are denied by the Town but felt that she could not defend this in court. Ms. McAllister said that it was on the open market for quite some time. They set the tone for what the market is going to do in that area. Anyone financing a sale of a condo in that area will compare this sale to theirs. Ms. Kidder asked Chair Bianchi how they were to determine the amount it should be, as he was not happy with the amount the assessors came up with. Chair Bianchi said he didn't know. Ms. McAllister said she applied a like factor to all of the condos in the neighborhood. All six have been readjusted down using the same factors. Ms. Kidder and Ms. Helm said they were OK with this rationale. Chair Bianchi was not.

Schluter, Hilltop. Ms. McAllister said that Hilltop is now at 100%. This is the only unit that is a double. The square footage is driving the abatement. Chair Bianchi questioned the prior statement of the assessors that the values at Hilltop had dropped drastically and they would look further into it this summer. Ms. McAllister said that it was determined to do it this way because this taxpayer was the only one who had appealed. Their intent is to look at Hilltop but she will need help with this task moving forward. The owner paid \$270,000 and they based the value of the unit as \$335,000. There are no other units like it and she is basing this as disproportionate. Ms. Helm and Ms. Kidder said they were OK with Ms. McAllister's rationale.

Robert Cole, Murray Pond – This was a recommendation and approval was made last year but it didn't get carried over into the assessing software. The Board agreed Ms. McAllister's findings.

Paul & Jane Vance, Bunker Road – Ms. McAllister said that this was reviewed by Mr. Bernaiche and the recommendation came from him. She said that she trusts his judgment. The home hadn't been visited in over five years. It is dated and has poor design. The bank did an appraisal which supported the reduction in assessment. The assessment had been at 128%.
Ms. Helm said she was OK with this denial. Ms. Kidder agreed.

Joseph Messer, Stoneybrook – This was a deferred maintenance issue. The Board agreed with Ms. McAllister's findings.

Gilman – This was filed last year and was settled in 2011. They came back wanting more. Ms. McAllister said she recommended denying the abatement based on a recent sale. The Board agreed with Ms. McAllister's recommendation.

Eisenburg – Ms. McAllister said that they filed abatement after they received an appraisal for a refinance. It is a nicely built Snow Construction home. The assessors are familiar with his square-foot costs and this one was somewhat overstated based on their factors. The Board agreed with Ms. McAllister's findings.

First Baptist Church Parsonage – Ms. McAllister said that they applied to put the parsonage back in exempt status as it is being used by a pastor again. It didn't get put into this status for the first half of the billing.

Mark Grubbs, beneficiary of the Cate Boathouse Trust asked to speak. He said that they are trying to figure out what their position is with regards to the assessments being made and the reasons for the denial. He said that they did everything on time and did it right, did their homework and should have heard a response by the Town by July 1st and did not. Thanks to Ms. Rankins, they were told that that night's meeting would occur. So far it sounded as though the Board of Selectmen and assessor believed their argument to be kind of silly. Comps have not been shared with them and they didn't understand it as it does not seem to be a fair fight. He assured the Board that they will take this further if need be. They wondered why they would need to wait so long to hear from the Town and they wanted to know what the basis of the denial was. Ms. McAllister said she would provide them with the necessary information. She said that she had two comps. She added that they were not notified by July 1st because they were carried over to that night's meeting so they could discuss the abatement requests and recommendations with the select board. As a general rule, they do like to provide people with explanations and typically they do notify the taxpayer. Ms. McAllister said that they are short-staffed and if she had known that they had contacted the Town asking for information, she would have contacted them personally. Chair Bianchi said that the assessors are tri-town and the lead assessor has recently left. Ms. McAllister offered to provide the necessary information to the Grubbs.

Ms. Hallquist explained that the July 1st deadline is in the law because some towns don't respond in a timely manner, and the taxpayer may miss the September 1st deadline because they are waiting for the Town to respond. The law states that they may file their appeal on July 1st, even if they haven't heard back from the Town yet. The Town should, and usually does, get them all done by July 1st to give the taxpayer as much time as possible but they had quite a few this year. The Board of Selectmen wanted to meet with Ms. McAllister to hear her defense of her suggestions. The backup information is available and Ms. McAllister was willing to share it with them.

Grand List

Chair Bianchi wanted to know how they were doing and explained that they need this information to be able to set the tax rate in October. Ms. McAllister said that the town is at \$1,170,000,000 and has gone up slightly. She took what they had discussed regarding abatements into consideration when coming up with these numbers. Once they send the inventory form into the State, the number will be set.

Elkins Project – Rod Finley

Ms. Hallquist noted that the meeting with Rod Finley, Pathways Engineering, was postponed. She suggested that the Board reconsider how it intended to work through the negotiation process as it would likely be a lengthy process, and may not work well at an evening selectmen's meeting with so much other business to address. She suggested a more efficient way would be to have herself, Mr. Lee and the engineer sit down and go through it. A selectman could be present as well. Once some consensus has been made, they would bring it back to the Board. Chair Bianchi thought this made sense. Ms. Kidder and Ms. Helm agreed. Ms. Hallquist said that it would be helpful to have someone or even all of them participate on a rotating basis. Doing it in this way would be more efficient. Ms. Helm said she would be happy to sit in with the group. She asked them to settle the dates and the selectmen would decide who would go on which dates. Ms. Hallquist said to plan on two or three hours per meeting to get it done as soon as possible.

Public Works Department Updates – Richard Lee

Mr. Lee said that they offered a full-time position to someone who decided to stay with his current employer. He hasn't had anyone interested in the part-time work that is available.

Mr. Lee said that the alarm at the Georges Mills pump station is being tested internally every day. Every Friday they let it go through the whole system to Concord to the alarm monitoring company. Chair Bianchi didn't feel that this was enough. Mr. Lee said he felt what they were doing was adequate but if Chair Bianchi felt they should test it every day by letting it go through to Concord, they would. He didn't think it was necessary. Chair Bianchi said they just don't want to have any more problems. Mr. Lee didn't think there was another pump station being tested to this extent anywhere. Chair Bianchi said they should make sure that if there is a problem with the pump house it should call someone in the Town. He didn't want there to be another problem with the pump station but that perhaps his colleagues didn't feel the same way. Ms. Kidder said that they obviously don't want the pump to fail and they were all concerned with the station being fully functional.

Ms. Helm felt that their testing schedule was fine. Chair Bianchi said he wanted Mr. Lee to let the alarm go through to Concord every day. Ms. Kidder felt that Mr. Lee is doing due diligence and something fails, they can say they took the steps they could to avoid it. . They are doing more than most towns would have even considered doing.

Mr. Lee said that they are going to have a second float installed and that there were other things they could do to keep the sewage within the pump house instead of having it spill out in the event of an equipment failure. This will necessitate engineering and approval from the State. Chair Bianchi said they've had two spills there and if everything works fine in the pump house and then for some reason the call from the pump house to Concord and to the Town of New London doesn't get made, he would leave it up to Ms. Helm and Ms. Kidder to explain why it happened. He fears glitches in the systems beyond the pump house and that is why he wants the alarm system checked daily, all the way to the alarm company in Concord

Mr. Lee explained that when the alarm is tripped, Capital Alarm in Concord is called and then they (the Town) are called. At that point, Capital Alarm tells New London why the alarm went off. If the telephone doesn't work there is a radio backup that relays the information. This was installed after the big spill several years ago when the phone lines went down. He said they can test it every day but did Chair Bianchi want them to test it by the radio also? Chair Bianchi said he wasn't concerned about the radio or telephone line, but having worked for 16 years with alarm companies, he has found many glitches.

Ms. Kidder suggested getting another alarm system if he didn't like this company. Chair Bianchi said that they are all the same. His concern is that if there is a flaw in the communication system, they could be exposed to the chances of another spill. Ms. Hallquist wondered if there was anything that could be engineered to show if there is something wrong with the phone line. Mr. Lee said that if the phone lines go down, Capital Alarm calls them and they automatically switch over to the radio backup.

Ms. Kidder wondered if they could put the onus on Capital Alarm to see if they can reassure the Town that the system is working 100%, 7 days a week.

Approval of Minutes

July 9, 2012

IT WAS MOVED (Janet Kidder) AND SECONDED (Tina Helm) to approve the minutes of July 9, 2012, as circulated. THE MOTION WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

July 13, 2012

IT WAS MOVED (Tina Helm) AND SECONDED (Janet Kidder) to approve the minutes of July 13, 2012, as circulated. THE MOTION WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

July 17, 2012

IT WAS MOVED (Janet Kidder) AND SECONDED (Tina Helm) to approve the minutes of July 17, 2012, as circulated. THE MOTION WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

Approval of Non-Public Minutes

IT WAS MOVED (Tina Helm) AND SECONDED (Janet Kidder) to approve the minutes of July 13, 2012, as circulated. THE MOTION WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

IT WAS MOVED (Tina Helm) AND SECONDED (Janet Kidder) to approve the minutes of July 16, 2012, as circulated. THE MOTION WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

IT WAS MOVED (Tina Helm) AND SECONDED (Janet Kidder) to approve the minutes of July 17, 2012, as circulated. THE MOTION WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

New Business

The Board noted that Police Officer David Zuger was recognized with a life-saving award. The certificate had previously been signed by the Board and was presented to Mr. Zuger during an award ceremony at the Police Station.

CHA Engineering Contract for Pleasant Street Sidewalk

The Board approved an amendment to the original Pleasant Street Sidewalk engineering contract in the amount of \$13,500 for the additional services needed to follow new grant rules regarding construction oversight. .

IT WAS MOVED (Tina Helm) AND SECONDED (Janet Kidder) to appropriate \$13,500 out of the 2013 budget for engineering on the Pleasant Street sidewalk project. IT WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

Administrator's Report

Ms. Hallquist said that Gary Markoff would like to stay on the CAC; he has missed a few meetings because of other commitments but expects to be able to continue on the committee. She also reminded everyone that July 31st was "New London Barn Playhouse Day." It was noted that on Saturday there was a fire on the back side of Pleasant Lake. Chief Lyon doesn't know how much the firefighting efforts will cost, he will report back when all the bills are in. It was questioned if New London was paid for their efforts during mutual aid calls. Ms. Hallquist was unsure of what the Mutual Aid contract provided but would check with Chief Lyon.

Jerry Coogan and Executive Councilor Ray Burton will be at the Town Office on August 2nd at 2pm to meet with anyone that would like to drop by.

Scenic Bi-ways – Ms. Hallquist said that the towns of New London, Sunapee and Newbury were awarded a grant some time ago. The RPC is acting as the project sponsor on behalf of the three towns. The grant specifies that the towns would use their own labor to install the informational kiosks. She noted that they are now just learning that there is a chance that the towns may not be able to use their own forces, if it is

found not to be a “public interest” (cheaper) in which case they would have to hire outside forces. She felt that for New London, this would be a deal-breaker because when the grant was applied for, they planned on using their own employees as they are already paying their employees. If they have to hire out, they will be paying even more which they don’t want to do.

Ms. Kidder said they don’t want this to cost the Town additional money because it isn’t a need. Ms. Helm agreed with Ms. Kidder. If it gets this complicated they should not go through with it. Ms. Hallquist said it isn’t a done deal, as it may turn out that the public interest finding is not a problem, but she stressed unless they know up front, it could end up costing the town more. Ms. Hallquist will communicate the Board’s position to the RPC and the other towns.

The Board reviewed an agreement to allow the Elkins F&G Club to use the town’s property for event parking as was discussed at previous meetings. Everything they decided upon at their meetings regarding the parking on their land for four events during the year was incorporated into the agreement. The Board reviewed and signed the agreement.

Upcoming Meetings & Special Events

Non-Resident Tax Payer Meeting – every year the non-resident tax payers want the transfer station open on Sundays Mr. Lee’s rationale is that he wants his employees to have a weekend day off. Chair Bianchi opined that they run the transfer station for the residents of New London and not for the employees who work there. Opening it at least a half a day on Sunday would reduce the congestion found on Saturdays.

Planning Board Meeting – July 24th at 7:00pm

Zoning Board of Adjustment – July 25th This would be a continuation of the discussion of the Snow buildings on Cottage Lane (near the college) and the definition of “domestic servants” which is not defined in the zoning ordinance. Ms. Hallquist said she would be attending this meeting.

IT WAS MOVED (Tina Helm) AND SECONDED (Janet Kidder) to move into non-public session pursuant to RSA 91-A: 3, II (b) – the hiring of a public employee. THE MOTION WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

Janet Kidder: Yes, Tina Helm: Yes, Peter Bianchi: Yes

Upon returning from non-public session, the Board of Selectmen signed the following:

Application for Building Permit:

- Michael P. Murphy, 745 King Hill Road (Map & Lot 131-003-000) build deck off back of house – Permit #12-066 – Approved.
- Ronald Welch, 57 Pingree Road (Map & Lot 036-006-000) build 10 x 12 shed – Permit #12-067 – Approved.
- Eric & Wendy Miller, 253 Forest Acres Road (Map & Lot 118-012-000) 10 x 16 shed – Permit #12-068 – Approved.
- Mark & Lori Ashton, 375 Little Sunapee Road (Map & Lot 046-013-000) build 8x20 mud room to back of garage – Permit #12-070 – Approved.
- Colby Sawyer College – 541 Main St. (Map & Lot 085-033-000) 8x10 garden shed – Permit #12-069 – Approved.
- Lyman & Susanne Chapin, 41 Porcupine Road (Map & Lot 035-014-000) addition & interior renovations – Permit #12-072 – Approved.

Application for use of Town Common:

- Kearsarge Republican Committee – Sunday September 16th, 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM dessert social – Approved.

Application for Sign Permit:

- Our Lady of Fatima – sign in front of church – 7/24/12 – 7/28/12 – Approved.

Other Items to be signed:

- Disbursement voucher
- Abatement Recommendation Letter and 7 abatement forms
- Current Use Application for Deacon Family Limited Partnership

**IT WAS MOVED (Tina Helm) AND SECONDED (Janet Kidder) to adjourn the meeting.
THE MOTION WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.**

The meeting adjourned at 9:40pm

Respectfully submitted,

Kristy Heath, Recording Secretary
Town of New London