

TOWN OF RICHMOND
NEW HAMPSHIRE
Office of Selectmen



DATE: April 15, 2014 Time: 3:50 PM

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes

Selectmen in attendance: Carol Jameson and Kathy McWhirk

Meeting:

This meeting is called as an emergency meeting under RSA 91-A:2 II in response to the ongoing earth moving and blasting at M412 L018. Further to last night's meeting the Selectmen have done additional research and have the following preliminary findings:

DRA has advised that the work likely constitutes an excavation under RSA 155E which is incorporated by reference into our zoning regulations. Ms. Langer advised that a permit is generally required; one relevant exception to the permit requirement is if the excavation is incidental to a building or other project, so long as all permits for the major project are in place. Ms. Langer said that generally under RSA 155E the Board of Selectmen would require the person doing the excavation verify that the exception applies and all permits are in place. Having Town regulations would aid in enforcement. No permits have been issued for this project.

In addition, the regulations under the State of NH, Department of Safety (per Sgt. Hagerty), prior notice needs to be given to the local Police and Fire Chiefs at least 24 hours in advance by the individuals doing the blasting. The Selectmen verified that no such notice was given.

Chief Bosquet went to the property today but no work was in progress while he was there. After Chief Bosquet had left the property the Selectmen's office received a phone call indicating heavy equipment was being operated.

Jameson reported that the Town Attorney Joe Hoppock will be contacting David Bryan regarding the work.

The Board discussed taking legal action based on what Attorney Hoppock reports back.

McWhirk stated that she has contacted several residents in reference to the Parks and Recreation Commission. She indicated that all were enthusiastic and willing to participate. Jameson noted that appointments to the Commission will be made soon.

Jameson moved; McWhirk 2nd; the Board voted to go into Non-Public session per RSA 91A:3II(c). Roll call: Jameson Y, McWhirk Y. Non-public session was entered at 5:21pm. Jameson moved; McWhirk 2nd; the Board voted to exit Non-Public session. Roll call Jameson Y McWhirk Y. The minutes have been sealed. Public session was reconvened at 6:10pm.

There being no further business the Board voted to adjourn 6:12pm.