



2014 TOWN OF FAIRFAX

**SELECTBOARD MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 21, 2014
7:00 PM**

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Selectboard Members Present: Tom Fontaine, Chair; Chris Santee, Vice-Chair, Randy DeVine, Leebeth Ann Lemieux and Peter King.

Public Present: Dustin Degree; Glen Minor, David Tudhope and Howard Gallagher; John Mitchell and Bret Philips; LCATV videotaped the meeting.

Staff Present: Skip Taylor, Z.A.

Call to Order: Tom called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Minutes:

4.7.14: - Randy motioned to accept the minutes as written seconded by Peter. The motion carried with a vote of 5-0.

Orders & Payroll: Pete and Randy reviewed the orders and payroll - no issues detected.

Public Comment/Correspondence: Dustin Degree is here this evening. He's a candidate that will be running for a Senate seat. He resides in St. Albans. He's here this evening to introduce himself to the Board.

Glenn Minor, MA0927: Glenn is proposing to develop his property located at 927 Main Street. He would like to put a road in between his property and Howard Gallagher's (MA0935) property for access. Glenn is requesting a modification of the requirement that the center of a road be in the center of the road right-of-way. Mr. Gallagher has a concern with his leach field being crushed by trucks with ingress and egress. David Tudhope, Surveyor for the project, explained to Mr. Gallagher that they would take care of his concern with barriers. He was also concerned with the value of his property being affected. Skip Taylor, Z.A. stated that the Development Review Board will take into consideration all concerns of all parties and can incorporate into the conditions of approval to protect his property.

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Skip stated that a waiver of this type had been approved in the past.

*Pete made a motion to approve the variance for the DRB at 927 Main Street, Glenn Minor's property and with the DRB doing their review of the process will meet the conditions of Mr. Gallagher with respect to finding his landmarks of his property as well as protection of his leach field. Randy seconds the motion. The motion carried with a vote of 5-0.

Skip Taylor, Z.A. - Fee Schedule: The Planning Commission was in to discuss proposed changes to development regulations and fee schedule on 3.24.14. They were proposing that if someone wants to make an alteration to an existing structures, which exceeds a 100 sq. ft., that a permit should be issued. This was in response to the Lister's request to be informed of value changes on property so that assessments could be adjusted. The PC took the SB suggestions, went back and talked to the Listers. The proposed changes to the fee schedule were reviewed. The first public hearing on the proposed changes will be held May 20, 2014.

John Mitchell and Bret Philips - Water Commission Committee

John and Bret are here as a follow-up to their meeting of February 17th regarding the formation of a water commission committee. Bret stated that there are a number of w/s users interested in participating on such a committee. The Board is interested in seeing a scope of activities, defining what the Board's responsibilities would be, what the bylaws would consist of as well as execution of the bylaws. John and Bret will contact Stacy when they are ready to meet with the Board again once this information is collected.

Sheriff Robert Norris, FCSD

Sheriff Norris had submitted a "Law Total Incident Report" prior to meeting with the Board this evening. A discussion ensued on the report which encompassed January through March. There were a total of 344 incidents reported of various types. Sheriff Norris stated that they've seen a large increase in car break-ins. The Sheriff's contract comes up for renewal in April, 2015. Sheriff Norris talked about a Neighborhood Watch program as well as a possible Resource Officer at the school. (There's a grant available for a Resource Officer.) Chris will check into Neighborhood Watch.

Other Business:

1. Sewer Allocation Application and Permit CE0004 and Application for a Boring Under, Excavation In, or Digging Across a Town Road CE0004 and HV Roads.

*Randy made a motion stating a letter of documentation, dated April 16, 2014, was sent from the Utility Dept. to Mr. Handy using his water allocations that he has in his possession, indicates that he wants to use them on a project at 3 & 4 Huntville Road, (Clokey Street) this would also include 150 gallons from the Food Venture building pending verification of the lot numbers; Chris seconds the motion. The motion carried with a vote of 5-0. We will discuss the boring permit with D. Jay at the 5.5.14 meeting.

2. A letter was generated for reimbursement of monies owed to the Recreation Department from funds of the legal settlement. *Chris made the motion to approve the letter seconded by Pete. The motion carried with a vote of 5-0.

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Other Business:

3. Hot and cold water dispenser: A vote of 3-2 in favor of keeping the water dispenser.

* Pete made the motion to approve the sewer allocation with Chris seconding the motion. The motion carried with a vote of 5-0.

4. Energy Commission: Tom will contact Mark Kane to see if he's still interested in being on the committee. Chris will reach out to the public on the websites to see if anyone in the public is interested.

5. Poll on Selectboard Compensation: The information received will be compiled and the results reviewed at the 5.5.14 meeting.

6. Recycle bins: 150, 22 gallon recycle bins will be ordered.

7. .Gov e.mail addresses: Tabled until 5.5.14.

8. FY2015 Town Highway Grant Application: Toof Road

A grant for paving a portion of Toof Road was written by Stacy Wells.

*Chris made the motion to sign the grant seconded by Pete. The motion carried with a vote of 5-0.

Adjourn:

9:23 PM - Randy made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Pete. The motion carried with all in favor 5-0.

The minutes were respectfully submitted by Stacy Wells, Adm. Asst. to the Selectboard.

Tom Fontaine, Chair
Town of Fairfax Selectboard
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