



TOWN OF NEW LONDON, NEW HAMPSHIRE

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BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES October 9, 2012

PRESENT:

Selectmen

Peter Bianchi, Chair

Tina Helm, Selectman

Janet Kidder, Selectman

Kimberly Hallquist, Town Administrator

Chair Bianchi called the meeting to order at 8:00am.

Proclamation honoring Colby-Sawyer College's 175th Anniversary

The Board discussed Colby-Sawyer College and the planned celebration of its 175th anniversary. The board discussed that it would be appropriate for the Town to recognize the milestone with a Proclamation that can be read by the Chair at the ceremony on Friday, October 12, 2012.

IT WAS MOVED (Janet Kidder) AND SECONDED (Tina Helm) to issue a Proclamation honoring Colby-Sawyer College as it celebrates its 175th anniversary. THE MOTION WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

Sunapee-New London Intermunicipal Agreement for Wastewater Treatment Facility

The Board reviewed the revised Intermunicipal Agreement as amended after review by the State Attorney General's Office. Review by the Attorney General's Office is a requirement for entering into such agreements. Town counsel has reviewed the proposed changes and agrees with them.

IT WAS MOVED (Tina Helm) AND SECONDED (Janet Kidder) to approve the Intermunicipal Agreement as presented. THE MOTION WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

1941 Building Committee

The Board discussed the need to appoint a committee to look into the issue of the 1941 Building (formerly the New London Central School) that is currently vacant, on the Kearsarge Regional School District Campus. The School Board issued a request for proposals on redevelopment of the building in the hope that the School District can save the expense of maintaining the building. The Selectmen held a public forum on Saturday, October 6th to gauge public support of town involvement in a proposal to secure the use of the building for public purposes. The attendees at the public forum indicated strong support for town involvement in keeping the building for town use and use by the many local non-profit groups.

After discussion, the Board proposed asking the following people to serve on the committee: Hardy Hasenfuss, Casey Biuso, David Kidder, Steve Theroux, Cicely Markoff and Rob Prohl. There was a discussion of whether a selectman should serve on the committee or not. The pros and cons of participation were discussed and the Board ultimately decided that the full Board would meet with the committee at its first meeting, and thereafter one selectman would attend committee meetings.

Noting that the deadline set by the School Board for submission of proposals is fast approaching (October 26th) the Board discussed the need for the committee to work quickly to get something prepared to submit to the School Board by the deadline. The Board noted that it might not be feasible to get any hard numbers on the costs associated with various plans by the deadline, so they determined that the initial charge to the committee will be to develop an outline for a proposal to the school board as to the town's potential involvement in the 1941 building. The Board will ask the committee to have their work to the Board by October 24th, which will give the Board a few days to meet and review the work before submission on the 26th.

The potential committee members will be contacted to see if they will agree to serve, and then the first meeting of the committee will be scheduled as soon as possible.

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:45am.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly Hallquist, Town Administrator
Town of New London