BOARD OF SELECTMEN TOWN OF PEMBROKE, NH July 7, 2021 at 6:30 PM

Present: Selectman Richard Bean, Selectman Sandy Goulet, Selectman Karen Yeaton

Excused: Selectman Ann Bond

Staff: Town Administrator David Jodoin

I. Call to Order:

Selectman Bean called the meeting to order at 6:32pm.

II. Citizens Comment:

Stephen Fowler, 443 North Pembroke Road, asked the Board to consider changing the name of Memorial Field to Memorial Park due to confusion with the park located in Concord. The Recreation Commission has voted in favor of the name change. Selectman Yeaton explained that when this was last discussed with the Selectmen, the driving force for changing the name was not explained so the request was dismissed. Stephen explained when there are events happening at both fields, there can be confusion as to which one, especially since they are so close. Sharon Morris, 416 East Meadow Lane, gave an example of when the kids are playing little league or soccer and travel between towns, parents and spectators end up at different fields. Selectman Goulet asked if there was any talk about changing the name to something completely different such as Pembroke Park. Sharon answered that they discussed Memorial Park because when they are in meetings the call it "the park" since it is so much more than just fields.

Selectman Yeaton made a motion to change the name from Memorial Field to Memorial Park, Selectman Bean seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

III. Scheduled Meetings

Amanda Marusarz - Large Gathering Permit

Amanda Marusarz, 53 Front Street, and Nicholas Burns, Nashua, NH, applied for use of Memorial Field on July 24th from 3-8pm for an art/band show fundraiser for a new non-profit called Devoted Essentials NH Community Center. They have three bands that will play on the stage and seven visual artists under the pavilion. They have sold under 60 tickets so far at a cost of \$12/pp, however, there are no longer pre-sale tickets available. They will sell tickets day of and 25% of sales will be donated to the NH Coalition to End Homelessness. Selectman Yeaton asked if this type of event would require police presence. David explained they filled out the paperwork for a large gathering permit and submitted all required paperwork. The police had concerns when the event was first posted which was prior to having any permit. Amanda was unfamiliar with the process so she postponed the date, reduced the number of bands, and filed the appropriate paperwork. Large gathering permits are for 200 or more people and while they cannot control other people using the field at the time or being drawn down by the music, their expected crowd will be much smaller.

Stephen Fowler, 443 North Pembroke Road, commented that he would like to verify they have a certificate of insurance so the Town is free from any potential liability. David stated that they do have that and it has already been submitted so the Town is covered.

Since Amanda has approval from Rose Galligan as well as the Recreation Commission and will not likely have over 200 people, the Board decided to not require the additional steps needed for the large gathering permit.

IV. Old Business:

None

V. New Business

Potential Selectmen Appointees

There were eight applications for the open Select Board seat vacated by Mike Crockwell. There is urgency to fills the seat since someone has to be seated for when they have to vote on the housing appeal from William Evans. Selectman Yeaton would like to narrow down the candidates before the interviews to candidates with previous experience sitting on one of Boards in Town. Selectman Bean would like to also narrow down by Board experience. Selectman Goulet does not know who has previously sat on a Board in Town unless they specifically mentioned it in their email of intent but supports using that criterion. David explained that in the last 12 years, five people on the list have had previous board experience and three have not. The candidates would have to resign from their current Board appointments to become a Selectman, however, they could then become the Selectman Rep on those Boards. Interviews will be conducted Monday, June 19th starting at 5:30pm in order to appoint someone at the regularly scheduled July 21st meeting.

Housing Appeals Board Decision

The Town received notice from the Housing Appeals Board that they need to hold a public hearing within 45 days for the William Evans Beacon Hill project. August 9th is the current tentative date. They need to get legal notices sent by certified mail to legal abutters and hearing notices need to be posted. David is asking the Town

lawyer to reach out to explain that there is a vacancy on the Select Board and since they specifically put into the petition that all five need to be present, they would like an additional 30 days. David is going to ask William Evans for the exact footage of the road they want opened. Throughout the process, different numbers have been given by Mr. Evans.

Manifests/Abatements

Selectman Goulet made a motion to accept the manifests and abatements as presented. Selectman Yeaton seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

Minutes 6/24/21

Selectman Goulet made a motion to accept the minutes of June 24, 2021. Selectman Yeaton seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

VI. Town Administrator Report:

There is an open house at Madears Restaurant. They would like to Board to RSVP to the Ribbon cutting ceremony on July 23rd at 2:00pm.

There is a second ribbon cutting on July 13th at 12:00pm at 774 Riverwood Drive for the National Guard Readiness Center.

The Building Committee submitted a report that will be given to the CIP Committee stating the library discussed the limited access to the attic from within. In order to change or increase value and create a cold roof, this would be worth exploring if the shingles need replacing. David contacted an insulation company but they have not gotten back to him. The Safety Center has fractures in the mortar joints and flashing issues that a mason could repair. There is also window fogging and a leaking roof on the fire side of the building. Window seals are gone at DPW and the wall issues are still there.

The OHRV signs have not been installed.

VII. Committee Reports:

Selectman Yeaton – None

Selectman Bean – None

Selectman Goulet – None

VIII. Other Citizens Comment:

None

IX. Non-Public Session:

Selectman Goulet made a motion to enter into non-public session in accordance with RSA 91-A:3 II(e) Consideration or negotiation of pending claims or litigation which has been threatened in writing or field against the public body or any subdivision thereof, or against any member thereof because of his or her membership in such public body, until the claim of litigation has been fully adjudicated or otherwise settled, seconded by Selectman Yeaton at 7:23pm

Roll Call Vote:

Selectman GouletYesSelectman BeanYesSelectman YeatonYes

The Board came out of non-public session at 7:30 PM. Motion by Selectman Goulet, seconded by Selectmen Yeaton to approve the settlement agreement with Consolodated Communications.

Vote Unanimous.

X. Adjourn:

Selectman Goulet made a motion to adjourn at 7:30 PM. Selectman Yeaton seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

Richard Bean, Vice Chairman

For more detailed information, the meetings are now taped and can be seen on <u>www.townhallstreams.com</u> click on Pembroke NH and look for the day of the meeting under the month.