

LYNDEBOROUGH BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MINUTES
October 17, 2023
Final

I. Call to Order:

Chairman Chamberlain called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m.

II. Introduction of Members Present:

Chairman Mark Chamberlain, Selectman Douglas, and Selectman Robert Howe

Town Administrator Russ Boland and minute taker Kathleen Humphreys

III. Public & Media Present: Rep. Lisa Post

IV. Appointments:

6:05 p.m.: State Representative Lisa Post re: High Speed Internet Grant & Approval of October 4, 2023 Board of Selectmen's Meeting Minutes

Lisa Post provided documents regarding what Chris Hodgdon, Vice President of Public Affairs for Comcast requested included in the minutes.

Chairman Chamberlain said he thought we did this. Lisa Post confirmed that but said that Mr. Hodgdon now wanted to include that Comcast may not go for their portion of the grant. It was discussed that the original statement was to get rid of that. The Board discussed if it was pertinent and did not want to re-write the minutes. The minutes in front of the Board does not have that paragraph in there.

VOTE: Selectman Howe moved, Chairman Chamberlain seconded to accept the minutes for October 4, 2023. Selectman Douglas abstained. Motion passed 2-0-1.

Chairman Chamberlain and Selectman Howe signed and dated the minutes. The minutes need to be scanned and sent to Mr. Hodgdon and Rep. Post. The deadline is October 20, 2023. Currently, the Board does not have the application. The Board would like the application from Mr. Hodgdon prior to the October 18, 2023 meeting.

T/A Boland read a text between him and Mr. Hodgdon regarding the application which included that he sent a word document to T/A Boland and Rep. Post earlier in the day and sent a signature page which the Town can sign whereas the application is not final. Their request to the State is limited to the \$75,000.00 for the Town. T/A Boland requested the application prior to tomorrow's meeting.

Other Discussions:

The Cease & Desist order discussion for the Sweet Brier Farm B&B (Map-Lot 231-029-000) is on tomorrow night's Board of Selectmen's agenda.

Chairman Chamberlain provided an update on the last ZBA meeting where the Thompson's (the owners of Sweet Brier Farm), withdrew their application without prejudice. The proposed Cease & Desist order was worded that it will be in effect until the application for a special exception has been completed. The fact the application has been withdrawn means it is not completed, but it is completed. At the meeting tomorrow, the Board could consider amending the language to include, "...until such time all the appropriate measures have been done based on the building, health and fire inspections."

The fire, safety and building reports have been submitted and should be attached to the Cease & Desist order. The Town staff shall update the document and attach the appropriate safety reports.

The Board discussed the number of guests that the fire safety codes allow and felt all guest required safety, regardless of if it less than three guests or great than three guests.

V. Community Forum and Public Comment:

No comments.

VOTE: Selectman Douglas made a motion, Selectman Howe seconded to adjourn at 6:26 p.m. Motion passed 3-0.

VI. Adjournment:

All scheduled items having been addressed, the public meeting was adjourned at 6:26 p.m.

Next regular meeting: October 18, 2023 at Citizens' Hall at 6:00 p.m.

Kathleen Humphreys, Transcriber

Chairman Mark Chamberlain_____

Selectman Fred Douglas_____

Selectman Robert Howe_____