

TOWN OF RANDOLPH
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Tuesday, September 29, 2020
5:00 p.m.

BOS PRESENT:

Mark Roberts, Chair
Robert Henderson
Matt Drost

OTHERS PRESENT:

Lynn R. Mealey, Town Clerk
Greg Lumbert, CEO
Art Forand, Public Works
John Larouche, Town Attorney
Nick Kimball, Resident
Jake Swift land owner
Tammy Trask, Resident

Meeting was called to order by Bob Henderson at 5:00 p.m.

Nicholas Kimball a South Maple Street resident and member of the Randolph Fire Department was at the meeting to ask the Board if they could designate South Maple Street for “**No Parking**” on either side of the street. South Maple Street is a one way street. Mr. Kimball indicated that there is an apartment house on the street where there is constant traffic and activity and parking on the street (side or both) causes problems with the flow of traffic and impeding emergency vehicles traveling through.

The Board agreed that making this street a “no parking” zone would help with some of the hazards and in particular, the inability of a fire truck or any rescue vehicle to get through when there are vehicles parking on the sides of the street. The Board agreed to do this and asked Art to purchase “no parking” signs to put on the street.

They also discussed possibly doing this on Second Street, Third Street and Maple Street. It was discussed that a letter might be sent to the residents/owners informing them of the decision. Nick Kimball thanked the Board and left the meeting at 5:15 pm.

Greg was at the meeting with Jake Swift a contractor who is doing work on **Maureen Avenue** and the buyer of the lot. There had been some question about frontage but the CEO and the Board agreed that the lot is okay after they looked at it. The CEO will put something in writing to say that this is okay and Mr. Swift will get the appropriate permits but work is not scheduled to begin until the spring. Also, the plowing will be discussed with Ellis Construction next year as it will need to be somewhat different in that area. Mr. Swift and the owner left the meeting at 5:20 p.m.

Animal Control was discussed. Andy McKenna wants to step back and let Josh Howe become the Animal Control Officer with Andy becoming the Deputy. The Board wants to talk with Josh before making the new appointments as there have been some issues

with failure to answer phone calls etc. The rate of pay was discussed and whether or not to pay part of the cell phone bills. Greg will get in touch with Josh and ask him to come into next week's meeting.

Greg went and did an occupancy inspection at **Uplift** on Lewis Avenue and everything looked good. There will be 24 hour staff staying there.

The **Rausch property** on Windsor Street was discussed. There has been an inspection done inside and pictures taken and it is clear that this is a non-liveable situation. There are numerous violations and in fact the power should be cut off so that there is no danger of a fire. The first thing to be done would be to put up "no trespassing" signs and tape the area off. Apparently a neighbor has expressed interest in buying the property and if that happens, the Town will not have to go any further. Town Attorney John Larouche outlined the order in which the Town can declare this a dangerous building and get the authority to demolish the building. John asked for time to get the order of events in line to accomplish this. Mr. Rausch is living in a facility in another town and it is questionable whether or not he is of sound mind. He has a wife but she cannot give the authority. There would have to be a guardian appointed. He has a fiduciary but this person only has authority for the financial matters.

John is going to get the process going ASAP and will be back to the Board and CEO with the procedures in place.

Gretchen Patrick is being given a building permit for a garage and wants to run the sewer and water into it. This will all be on one meter. Art asked if there would be a clean-out as there is not one at the house currently. Greg said that it will include a clean-out and the permit will state that this garage is not for occupancy.

Art said that Fairview Avenue is coming along and that Klienfelder is sending weekly reports of their inspections.

School Street work is starting up again on Monday.

Attorney Larouche informed the Board that he had been negotiating with Camden National for the **Bond Issue** terms. They have offered 2.89% on the draw loan with a 10 year maturity. Payment will be amortized over the 20 year period but with refinancing in 10 years. The Board asked him to go back and see if they could negotiate no refinancing at the 10 year time period even if they have to go just a bit higher at the onset. John will go back to them with a counter offer. The Town will pay only interest for the first two years.

John said that opposing counsel on the **DEP/Tree** case has filed an 80B appeal but is not having it served on the Town at this point. It was agreed that the Town will go with putting off the planting of trees until after May 15, 2021.

John will work on the Rausch issue first, the Bond Issue and the tree/DEP case in that order and will be back to the Board as soon as possible with the next steps.

The Board signed new appointments for the **Planning Board**. The two appointments were for Daniel Nadeau and Patricia Putnam for 3 years.

All three Board members signed the accounts payable and payroll warrants for the week.

Bob Henderson made a motion to accept the **minutes of the September 15, 2020** meeting. Matt Drost seconded the motion. **VOTE – UNANIMOUS.**

Bob Henderson made a **motion to adjourn** the meeting. Bob Henderson seconded the motion. **VOTE – UNANIMOUS.**

Next regular meeting will be Tuesday, October 6, 2020 @ 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn R. Mealey, Town Clerk