

BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
TOWN OF CONWAY, MA  
MINUTES  
January 22, 2008

**Meeting Open: 7:30**

**Present:** Christina Conklin-chair, Jack Lochhead, Joe Strzegowski, Tom Spiro - AA

**Appointments**

**7:30 Common Driveway Bylaw Committee** – Proposed Bylaw changes (see attached); Jack Farrell, Tom Miner, Ed Rose, Wes Rowe

Tom Miner noted that there was no plan for tonight's meeting. Wes noted that there were many attempts made to address public safety and what might be acceptable to the citizens. The Board seemed to feel that the changes made were on the whole well done. Wes asked if it reached the goals of the Board and Jack said that he felt they did with only a few exceptions. Ed mentioned that the changes would help someone create a new driveway if they did not have prior experience. Wes urged that people be encouraged to present design plans to the Selectboard in the future. Tom noted that the committee spoke in detail to Bob Baker to get his opinions and suggestions.

There was further discussion pertaining to easements and how they related to the 'strip of land' denoted as access to a back lot. This was raised as an issue by town council. Tom suggested changing 41.1(d) (4) to 41.1(d) and change (d) to (e). Joe also asked about changes pertaining to the grade/steepness of access to a public way, and regular driveway and a common driveway in terms of road conditions and safety. Various other items in the update were reviewed including naming rights, the term 'spur', the need for a special permit, the notion of a design plan, maintenance agreements and other items.

It was agreed that more changes will be made and re-submitted to the Selectboard in the near future.

**8:30 Greg Rose** – Storage at the Sheep Barn; Ed Rose

Greg began by discussing the lease on the barn. He wanted to bolster the current rental agreement. He noted that he owed back taxes and was wondering if his rent could be balanced by the rent owed to him. He wanted to utilize half of the barn and charge rent for the remainder of the current year. It was agreed that the town would accept an invoice for rent covering payment from September 2007 through September 2008. There was discussion regarding electric current in the barn. Tom will set up payment with the Treasure's office including rent and back taxes owed.

**Meeting Items**

- approved minutes of 1/14/07
- It was agreed that the Town Accountant issue would resolve itself after Feb 18<sup>th</sup>
- Lashway Logging would be given an extension based on the need to finish timber cutting and reclaiming the roadways. Jack moved that he ask Mary (Wigmore) to get a specific date for an extension, Joe 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor.
- Tom was appointed as interim FRCOG representative.
- Tom reported on available storage for town equipment. Quinton Antes would charge \$1800 p/mo and Ruah Donnelly's space would be free if available in the next few months.
- Tom reported on the idea of a shared EMD. The idea was on hold as other towns were waiting for the results of a FRCOG survey.
- Tom reported that the FCCIP program would be taking on the responsibility of administering the new trenching regulations when they take effect.

**Mail and Other Items**

- other mail items as per agenda

**10:05 PM**

Motion to adjourn by Jack, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Christina, all in favor.