

**MINUTES  
SELECTMEN'S MEETING  
Monday, July 03, 2023**

**SELECTMEN PRESENT:** Janet Wall (JW), Mark Avery (MA), Tim Burt (TB)

**OTHERS:** Eric Fiegenbaum (EF), Deborah Ahlstrom (DA), Jeanette Fones, Andrew Losse

**Correspondence:**

- A letter noticed that Eversource had completed work on replacing poles and adding a new wire.

**GUEST:** Andrew Losee, resident of 16 Huckins Rd, came before the Selectmen to share concerns and information on possible permitting and ordinance violations at 14 Huckins Rd. He is an abutter with a shared driveway. His materials included photos, plans submitted to the Planning Board, and information from real estate websites. He wanted to be respectful of his neighbor, but was concerned that Madbury's ordinances were not being respected. His list of issues included: the replacement of a simple pergola with a room addition, dormers, and an in-house garage, new sheds (some associated with the barn), a dome structure, expansion of impervious parking/driveway areas, tree removal, the placement of playground equipment and use of pesticides. The discussion included Portsmouth's Restrictive Sanitary and Flowage Easement, Madbury's Shoreland Protection Overlay District, and Wetland Protection Overlay District, as well as the apparent lack of building permitting. He strongly believed in the need to protect the integrity of the Bellamy Reservoir's water quality. The Selectmen directed EF to fill the Town Attorney in on a recent email from Portsmouth, updated information on possible violations, and inquire about the enforcement process. EF will also contact the Building Inspector about culvert specifications being followed on two new subdivided lots (*Map 1 Lots 16-1 and 16-2*).

**NEW BUSINESS**

- Steve Bullek will be invited to the next meeting of the Public Works Exploratory Committee.

**OLD BUSINESS**

- EF noted that he will be responding to a recent email from Portsmouth on cooperating on enforcement issues on the 14 Huckins Rd. property (Schwartz).
- EF shared a response from the NHDOT Bureau of Bridge Maintenance regarding the issues of removing graffiti from the railroad bridge on Rt. 155. The expense and coordination of work made it a low priority for them.
- MA brought changes to the draft Board of Selectmen Guidelines & Procedures. JW moved and TB seconded a motion to adopt the document as amended. Motion passed.

**BOARD UPDATES:**

- EF reported on a meeting with the regional Eversource representative where they were encouraging the use of their Municipal Hub website to report issues and would not mind Madbury's help in encouraging the other utilities to complete transfers where there were double poles. Jeff Jackson is our local contact and we should not be afraid to engage with him. On a question from the Police Chief, the removal of illegal advertising signs could be requested, but it would be expensive for Eversource to do it. This was deemed a matter for the PD to address with Eversource being the victim.

**OTHER:**

- A complaint on the condition of Jenkins Rd. was discussed. JW inquired about how the town responds to road insufficiencies and liability. The road had some recent cold patching.
- It was suggested that there be a workshop on the agenda for on July 14, 2023, the topic being town websites. A request of departments for job descriptions might be another workshop topic.

Meeting ended at 9:15pm.

Submitted by: *Eric Fugere*

Approved: *7-17-2023*

*On approved minutes, proof changes are noted through italics for additions and strikethroughs for deletions.*