

**MINUTES  
SELECTBOARD  
TOWN OF PETERBOROUGH**

Tuesday, September 1, 2015  
1 Grove St, Peterborough, New Hampshire

**Present:** Barbara Miller, Tyler Ward

**Others Present:** Peter Robinson, James Kelly, Pam Brenner, Nicole MacStay, Vanessa Amsbury-Bonilla

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Chair Miller called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

**Donation of land parcel ID R003-031-000 and R003-034-000**

Chair Miller opened the public hearing, the second public hearing pursuant to RSA 41:14-a to discuss the merits of accepting a donation of land from Joanne Field comprised of 0.78 acres, parcel ID R003-031.000, and a donation of land from Peter Bross comprised of 3.35 acres, parcel ID R003-034-000.

Chair Miller explained that this is the second public hearing in determining the acceptance donated land and supported the recommendation from the from the Planning Board and the Conservation Commission to accept. Town Administrator, Ms. Brenner explained that both lands are undevelopable but have conservation value and therefore are recommended to be accepted. She also explained that the voting process would not take place at this time, but at the final public hearing. Chair Miller thanks both Bross and Field for their donation of these lands.

**Economic Development Authority – New Website**

Mr. Robinson showcased Peterboroughworks.com, the EDA's new website. He explained that the Town's website is dense with information, but this new website is tailored to things that matter to people, using the headings "work, live and play" and introducing the businesses that are present in our community. He has coordinated with ConVal students, picking up from the initial work of Web Developer Abel Twitchell, and helping with technical, video, and real life projects. He also explained that the EDA will look to Town for further support, with the hope that students can find employment opportunities here locally in the future. He also explained that the EDA has plans to link the website to social media platforms. Selectman Ward asked if there is a link to all the available and vacant real estate in the area. Mr. Robinson said not yet, but they hope to expand the website. He also emphasized that the EDA's goal is to fill up existing properties.

Mr. Kelly explained that they hope to employ a prime contact person as a Town Employee, and develop the job description for said contact person for the EDA website. Selectman Ward asked if an intern would be suitable. Mr. Robinson explained that an intern may not have the experience needed for the job and that George Sterling will serve as the first contact person for the website. Mr. Robinson explained that this is a work in progress and with feedback, will improve the website over time. Chair Miller asked when it would be available, and Mr. Robinson said that it is now live and available for access. Mr. Kelly inquired about how to market this website and make it known to the community. Chair Miller expressed her support and suggested linking it to the Town's website. Mr. Robinson recognized that this will need funding and understands that some budgeting will be needed from the town. Chair Miller expressed her desire for seeing it when it has been completed.

**Follow-up on Granite Street Property**

Chair Miller explained that Leo Smith, Assessment Clerk, sent letters offering property to abutters of the Granite Street Property parcel ID U018-059-000 and that two of the three abutters showed some interest in the property. There may be more information at next meeting with regard to a possible sale.

**Board and Committee Vacancies**

Ms. MacStay presented the Board and Committee Vacancies. She explained that there are eleven board openings on five committees, and no chair for the Recycling Advisory committee with only one person showing interest in this committee.

Chair Miller suggested a Meet and Greet event, and also suggested to ask people personally. Bill Forrest asked if there is a description of these duties; Ms. MacStay explained that the Volunteer Handbook is available from the Town website. Chair Miller proposed to put this on the agenda for the next meeting on September 15<sup>th</sup> and suggested approaching people.

In addition, Chair Miller said that John Kieley called her, asking if the Select Board had taken a position regarding the pipeline. Chair Miller suggested putting this on the agenda for September 15<sup>th</sup>.

As there was no further business, Chair Miller motioned to adjourn at 5:42 pm. Mr. Ward seconded. All in favor, the meeting adjourned at 5:42 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Vanessa Amsbury-Bonilla, Department Assistant

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Barbara A. Miller, Chair

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Tyler Ward

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