Chichester Board of Selectmen

Minutes of Meeting Tuesday July 28, 2020

Members Present in person: Richard Bouchard, Ed Millette, Jason Weir, and Jodi Pinard Town Administrator, Kristy Willey Administrative Assistant

Present in person: Donna Chagnon, Malinda Weir, Chad Roberge, Harold and Kristen Losey, Darlene Foss, Allison McIntosh and other members of the public.

Others Present on ZOOM: Kathy Doutt, Evelyn Pike, Bob Mann, Cara Torrey, Glenn Horner, Bette Bogdan.

Call to Order: Mr. Bouchard called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

This meeting was held in person, but also broadcasted via zoom.

Mr. Bouchard announced the new Road Agent, Craig Sykes who will be attending the next meeting for Department Heads.

Abatements-

Map 6 Lot 34 C-

Mr. Roberge stated that the property owner did provide a third-party appraisal. He requested to obtain access to the interior which was granted. Mr. Roberge did recommend a reduction after review of the property.

Mr. Losey was not satisfied with the reduction wanted to meet in the middle at a different number.

Mr. Weir made a motion and Mr. Millette seconded to reduce the assessment to \$640,788.00 retroactive back to 2018. Roll call vote. Millette, aye. Weir, aye. Bouchard, aye. **Motion passes.**

Map 4 Lot 169 C-

Mr. Roberge stated that the property owner did supply a third-party appraisal, but he did recommend a denial. The property owner was not in attendance.

Mr. Weir made a motion and Mr. Millette seconded to deny the application for abatement based on the Avitar's recommendation. Roll call vote. Millette, aye. Weir, aye. Bouchard, aye. **Motion passes.**

Map 2 Lot 84-

Mr. Roberge explained that there was a lot merger done for this property, so an abatement needed to be processed and a supplemental bill be issued.

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Mr. Weir made a motion and Mr. Bouchard seconded to grant the abatement for Map 2 lot 84 and to issue a supplemental bill for the correct amount. Roll call vote. Millette, aye. Weir, aye. Bouchard, aye. **Motion passes.**

Old Home Day update- Malinda Weir, Chairwoman

Mrs. Weir gave a brief overview of the events of Old Home Day to the Board. There will be a scavenger hunt on Friday evening with the burying of the beans and a basketball game. On Saturday, the day will start with a fun run, then a pickle ball event, lunch at noon and horseshoes at 2pm. All events will be socially distanced, and everyone can attend and participate at their comfort level. Lunch will be served in to go containers and can be delivered to cars through a drive thru or they can sign up to have a deliver to their home if needed.

Purchasing Policy-

The Board reviewed the purchasing policy and had a discussion on the \$5,000.00 limit. Mrs. Pinard will make some edits and send it to google docs for edits and review by the Board.

Appointment-

Gordon Jones asked to be reappointed to the Conservation Commission.

Mr. Weir made a motion and Mr. Bouchard seconded to reappoint Gordon Jones to the Conservation Commission for a three-year term. Roll call vote. Millette, aye. Weir, aye. Bouchard, aye. **Motion passes.**

Coleman Concrete-

The Board discussed the findings of the Town engineer regarding the site plan review. It was noted that Coleman is operating commercially outside of the 1,000ft setback which is not allowed per Chichester zoning ordinance. The Board signed a zoning violation letter that addresses the 1,000ft setback only.

There was some discussion on what they can use the property for, outside the 1,000ft zone.

Mr. Weir stated he felt that businesses should be able to utilize their property.

Ms. Torrey stated that she is opposed to the business utilizing anything past the commercial zone as it already impacts her property greatly.

The letter was signed and will be mailed certified to the property owner.

105 Dover Road-Michael Albert

After engineer review of the property and approved site plan, it was determined that that there is a clear violation of the wetlands and buffers. The Board agreed to sign a violation letter directing the property owner to have the property surveyed and a mitigation plan be put in place.

Other Business-

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Mrs. Pinard read a letter from a resident commending the Police and Fire Department for their actions and support during a medical emergency at his home.

Follow up on cease and desist letter-

Mrs. Pinard stated that it was reported to her that the commercial shooting event still took place on Pound Road. She stated that the ad was removed from the internet and the event was moved to Boston. There is no proof that the event took place. She spoke with the property owner who stated that the event was moved. He did state that he had a gathering at his property with friends, which is allowed.

Grange Hall Update-

Mrs. Pinard stated that the new sound reduction curtains and rods have arrived and will be hung. She is waiting for other quotes for mini splits and electrical for light upgrades.

Martell Road-

Harmen Law has set the foreclosure date for the trailer at 37 Martell Road.

The Board had some discussion on whether to sell back to the bank or send to auction.

Mr. Weir made a motion and Mr. Bouchard seconded to move forward with auction for the land at 37 Martell Road. Discussion. Roll call vote. Millette, nay. Weir, aye. Bouchard, nay. **Motion passes.**

Mr. Weir made a motion and Mr. Millette seconded to auction the land at 37 Martell Road with a minimum of what is owed on taxes and fees to make the Town whole. Roll call vote. Millette, aye. Weir, aye. Bouchard, aye. **Motion passes.**

Grader Tires-

Mr. Weir made a motion and Mr. Bouchard seconded to approve the purchase of Grader Tires from Sullivan Tire in the amount of \$7,092.96. Roll call vote. Millette, aye. Weir, aye. Bouchard, aye. **Motion passes.**

Adjournment:

Being no further discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Bouchard and seconded by Mr. Millette to adjourn the meeting at 7:44pm. **Motion passes.**

Respectfully submitted Kristy Willey, Administrative Assistant

Not approved until signed

Richard Bouchard Edward Millette Jason Weir