

PLANNING BOARD

Monday, September 12, 2005
Belmont Corner Meeting House
Belmont, New Hampshire

Members Present: Chairman P. Harris; G. Flack and R. Caldwell.
Members Absent: J. Pike, C. Patten, W. Peterson and J. Marden.
Alternates Absent: C. Gilbert and C. Shibles.
Staff: C. Daigle, R. Ball and E. Murphy.

The chairman opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING: PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE LAND USE FEE SCHEDULE.

C. Daigle stated that she will renotece the Public Hearing for September 26, 2005.

STAFF REPORT:

A. BUDGET:

C. Daigle explained that the operating budget has four increases excluding salaries. The telephone increased by \$325 because of the base rate increase, the increase of \$1600 in postage is due to the increase in the volume of mailing, a \$3,000 increase to the legal budget and \$250 in publications.

C. Daigle explained that the Town will offer a 4% increase in pay across the board to all employees. The Land Use office has seen an increase in applications and the applications are more complicated. With the adoption of building fees the work load will also increase. Independent studies and reviews have required more time and work. She is asking for a two step increase for R. Ball and herself and a reclassification for E. Murphy and D. Rollins. The total salary increase would be \$8,700. If the proposed increase in fees were in place so far this year they would have collected an additional \$11,000, which would more than cover the salary increase.

C. Daigle explained that she is requesting \$20,000 for planning projects to complete the Economic Development Chapter of the Master Plan. She has talked to Mr. Russ Thibeault and he explained that \$15,000 is tight and \$25,000 is too much but \$20,000 would be a good scope to work with and have a good finished product. P. Harris stated that he is in favor of the \$20,000. R. Caldwell wanted to know if \$20,000 would be enough. C. Daigle stated that based on Mr. Thibeault's figures it should be enough. R. Caldwell stated that he supports the \$20,000.

It was the consensus of the Board to have C. Daigle present the proposed budget to the Town

Administrator J. Beaudin to work with and present to the Board of Selectmen. If changes need to be done then it can be brought back to the Board for additional review and approval.

B. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (CIP):

C. Daigle explained that the CIP committee has been meeting and are using the tools and programs to benefit the town. She handed out changes to the CIP.

C. WILLIAM PERRIER REV. TRUST TAX LOT 121-113:

The chairman signed the William Perrier subdivision plans.

D. ALL METALS TAX LOT 241-009:

The chairman signed the All Metal Site Plan.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Planning Board adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine M Murphy
Administrative Assistant