



Container Gardening *Judith M. Graves*

PLANTING A CULINARY CONTAINER GARDEN

Here is a crash course of ideas for using herbs in cooking. I like to plant in containers, as they are easier for me to harvest without having to bend so far and it also keeps the yard neat. Below are some ideas for container gardening for yourself. A nice gift idea is to plant a large pot filled with herbs for a theme garden, and add several recipes for the herbs you planted.

Spaghetti Garden: oregano, basil, thyme, chives, parsley

Scarborough Faire Garden: parsley, sage, rosemary, thyme

5-Course Garden: pansy, salad burnet, dill, thyme, spearmint

Just What I Like Garden: basil, Italian parsley, thyme, nasturtiums, chives, rosemary. I like to add lovage, but this will not fit into a container as it can grow six feet tall. It tastes like celery, leaves and tender stalks added to tuna salad, stews, soups, anything you would use celery in. As the stalks grow older they are hollow and make great straws for a cold glass of tomato juice or V8. Clever, and it adds flavor. Lovage is my favorite herb to use. We plant it at the edge of our garden so it can enjoy growing tall.

A FEW IDEAS

I have a wedding shower to attend this month and will be giving a large clay pot filled with Spaghetti Garden herbs. To this I will add several index cards of recipes for easy clipping and adding for meals. It is always a welcome gift that is personal and special. Plus the joy you get from putting it all together is added.

Chives are a mild onion flavor, and if you clip only what you need close to the ground instead of giving it a crew cut you will enjoy it longer in the season. Also, as buds of flowers barely start to open, follow the stem down and clip until you have a bouquet. Then hang upside down on a kitchen knob or peg rack and tomorrow the blooms will be full open. Add a small bunch of these dried chives as a bow on a gift, stand in a gift bag, or tie a ribbon around them and tuck them into your Christmas tree. All sorts of things can be done with these dried chive blossoms. Add some blossoms to a salad. Blooms have slightly less flavor than the leaves, but they add color and texture to any salad.

The best way I believe to do any garden is to be familiar with the plants. In the case of herbs, grow the ones you and your family enjoy the taste of.

Herbs are meant to enhance the taste of your foods and not to mask the flavor, so use sparingly at first and add as your taste buds require.

EASY RECIPES

Below are some beginner recipes, but sometimes easy is what we want in today's life. Try the easy ones to introduce your life to herbs. If you are an expert with herbs then these may be so basic you for-

got them. Best of all we want to eat healthy and grow our own herbs without pesticides. Organically grown, these herbs will not only provide beauty and entice the birds and butterflies into your yard, but will add flavor and color to your dishes.

FESTIVE HERBAL ICE CUBES

Artistically arrange any combination of flowers and/or leaves in ice cube trays. Be sure you know that they are edible. Cover with water and freeze. Store ice cubes in tightly sealed plastic bags and use as needed to float in a glass or punch bowl. Cut small slices of oranges, lime, lemons, add small sprigs of mint, lemon balm, pineapple sage, salad burnet, rosemary, and nasturtiums. You can add rose petals, pansies, Johnny jump-ups, and violets. Have fun! To be continued.

Notes from Town Hall *The Selectboard*

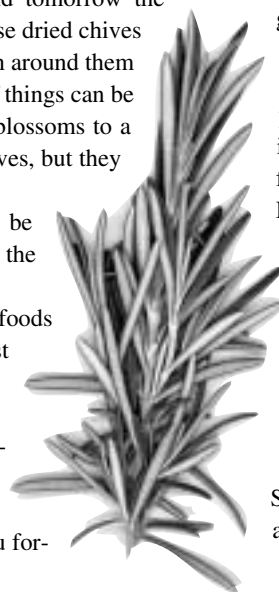
Happy June! Can you believe we are nearly six months into the year?

Energy Conservation. In May, the Selectmen held a public information meeting highlighting Elmer Arbogast of Arbogast Energy Audits. He presented the results of the grant-funded energy audits he conducted of Town Hall, the Safety Services building, the library and Civil Defense building. The audits revealed some easy to fix problems that will significantly reduce our energy usage. Properly installing adequate weather stripping along doors and insulating around openings from the interior to the exterior (wires, pipes and air conditioners) will make a big difference. Perhaps that work can begin this year, as it easily falls into the building maintenance category of our budget.

Other energy loss problems are not so easily or affordably fixed. The Selectmen will take the time to prioritize and plan for these energy saving repairs and alterations. These include more significant insulation and weatherizing projects, furnace upgrades and fuel changes. The Expendable Trust Fund for Energy Retrofits was created at town meeting 2011 and we plan to ask you to fund it in 2012, so these recommended changes can be made. In the long run, conserving energy is good for taxpayers and for the planet.

Town Boards. The Select Board held a joint meeting with the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Adjustment on May 12. The three boards have separate state-mandated authorities, roles and responsibilities.

The Select Board is the governing body of the town. The Selectmen implement the policies adopted by town meeting and attend to the day-to-day town business, within the budget



voted by the town. The Board of Selectmen is the enforcing agency for town zoning regulations and other regulatory policies. The Board of Selectmen’s broad role necessarily involves interaction with the other boards and officials.

The Planning Board has the authority and responsibility, from both the state and town, to conduct site plan reviews for commercial and business ventures, and to regulate subdivisions for residential use. This board is the only body empowered by the state and the town to create and revise a master plan, and they are mandated to hold hearings on and propose zoning regulations for the town. This board also issues various permits.

The Zoning Board of Adjustment, acting in a quasi-judicial role, grants relief from burdensome zoning ordinances. They are not empowered to change zoning ordinances or regulations, but they can grant relief in various forms based on specific criteria and conditions. Granting relief does not set a precedent because each decision is unique to the property in question.

The checks and balances provided by this division of labor, together with legislative body guidance, works in the best interest of all our citizens. A number of items were discussed at this meeting and the three boards will continue to work together to improve communication and address the issues raised.

Richmond Roads. The Selectmen invite you to join us at the Veterans Hall on June 9 at 7 p.m. to talk with your new Road Agent, Mark Beal. Mr. Beal will discuss progress since he took office on April 18 and talk about his plans for road maintenance during the rest of this year. It is an opportunity for you to ask questions and for us to listen to your thoughts and comments.

Renovation. The Selectmen continue to discuss space plans to accommodate the needs of the office and the public spaces in Town Hall, following the very helpful public input in March. Plans have not

yet been finalized, nor estimates and bids sought, but we will keep you informed. Right now we are cleaning out and consolidating files, as we determine which records must, by law, be kept and for how long. If you have a minute, drop in and see the proposed draft plan in the Selectmen’s office during open hours.

Volunteers. The Board of Selectmen would like to thank Russ Provost and the amazing volunteers who annually clean up town roads and plant hundreds of daffodils, which greet you when you visit town hall. We appreciate the great effort these folks make to beautify the town for all of us. If you haven’t volunteered in the past, please consider it for the next clean up - we thank you in advance!

While not an official sponsor of the free Community Dinner held on May 14 by the Methodist Community Church and the Richmond Fire and Police Departments, the Board of Selectmen applaud the community service work of these groups to benefit all of us in town. Their concept of building community among all residents has a delicious component that satisfies all who attend – although, we note that nearly every community event in Richmond has some sort of excellent home-made food associated with it! Speaking of which, the Richmond Dessert Theater will provide both entertainment and delicious food on June 4 at the Veterans Hall – we hope you plan to attend and share your talent!

Property Tax Relief
Annette Tokunaga, Town Clerk

If you are single and earn \$20,000 or less or are married and earn \$40,000 or less, you may qualify for tax relief from the State. Forms are available at the Town Clerk’s office and on the State website at www.revenue.nh.gov. The forms must be postmarked by June 30, 2011. Call the clerk’s office at 239-6202 for more information or for help filling out the forms.

Honor Roll
Neil Moriarty

I need your help for outlining schools – please call 239-4031 if you have, or know of, a student that merits recognition here.

Thanks to all the schools for responding with such short notice. I have been asked to restart this article. My concept is to find the students from Richmond who have made some sort of honor roll in their education pursuits. I then convert the list to alphabetical order so you can find them. These questions come up constantly: You know that your neighbor is in school – is Mary in 6th or 5th grade? Has Johnny graduated or is he in high school? It takes moments to look at an alphabetical list.

Some schools start honors at grade one, some start in grade six. Mount Caesar does not have honors recognition, because in the Swanzy schools this recognition starts in sixth grade; furthermore, Cutler has elected to have a single honors recognition at the end of the year (thanks to this process, MRSD honors policy is under review).

Creating the Ledger: To do this I need to do some coding to avoid repeating school names etc. The Honor: P=Principal’s List, 1= High Honors, 2= Honorable Mention. Grade level in parentheses. The Where: C=Cutler, E= Emerson, H= High School; I= Immaculate Heart of Mary (all grades); M = Middle School. Example:

H 1 Samantha Jackson (12), Samantha goes to the high school, is in 12th grade, and received high honors for the 3rd quarter.

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Do you have any suggestions on how this could be presented better?

Questions
Neil Moriarty

How would you fare on your knowledge of your country?
1. What state was first state in the Union? 2. How many members in the New Hampshire House of Representatives; in the NH Senate? See Page (15) for answers.

Library News
Wendy O'Brien

PLEASE NOTE: THE LIBRARY WILL BE CLOSED MOST OF THE DAY ON SATURDAY, JUNE 18TH FOR THE SUMMER READING KICKOFF AT THE PAVILION. WIRELESS INTERNET, AS ALWAYS, IS ON 24/7.

Storytimes

There will be a brief story time for younger elementary-aged children on Thursday, June 2 at 2:00 p.m. All are welcome. Wednesdays



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with Wendy continue at 10:00 a.m. throughout the summer in conjunction with our summer reading program. Come enjoy themed stories, a craft, and a small snack.

Reading with Kodah

Kodah, our Library dog, will be in for a visit on Saturday, June 11 at 11:00 a.m. Kodah, along with owner Kate Simington, are volunteers for Monadnock Therapy Pets. Kodah offers a gentle listening ear for children just learning to read or who wish to be more confident in their reading. Come by for a story or just a pat—no reservations needed!

Organic Gardening with Tracey Tryba

Our very own former Library Trustee, Tracey Tryba, will once again be offering an organic container gardening class on June 11 from 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. This is a chance to learn from an expert about organic gardening. Contact us to sign up at 239-6164, email at richmondpubliclibrar@ne.rr.com, or stop by.

Summer Reading

Summer reading is here! The national theme this year is “One World, Many Stories.” We are kicking off the summer with the Richmond Recreation Committee on June 18th from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. at the Pavilion. We will be having a barbecue with hot dogs, chips, and drinks, games, crafts, and of course you will be able to pick up your summer reading packet. If you or your child are new to the library, you can also receive a library card.

Each time you return to the RPL during the program, be sure to let a staff member know the number of minutes your child has read during the week so we can stamp your passport for you! Once again, this year we will be awarding summer reading T-shirts to the children who read for the most time in each age group. Throughout the program there will be weekly crafts, prizes and story times every Wednesday morning at 10:00 a.m. at the library.

This year we have a “Penny Pal” project that you will want to get started on right away for “International Children’s Day,” with Elaine Moriarty and friends on July 9th from 10:00 - 2:00 at the Veterans’ Hall. (see article elsewhere in the Rooster).

A fun wrap-up party with a presentation by Terry Reeves from the Mariposa Museum in Peterborough will be held on

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Roadside Cleanup
Russ Provost

This year’s roadside cleanup was the most successful ever. Over 20 volunteers collected over 6000 pounds, yes, 3 tons, of trash from various town roads. For their effort the town will receive 400 daffodil bulbs this fall. I hope you notice the ones that are now blooming that we planted in front of the Town Hall and Vets Hall last fall. Again, thanks to Chip Adams for providing the dumpster and hauling all this trash to the Keene Recycling Center.

Greetings
Mark Beal

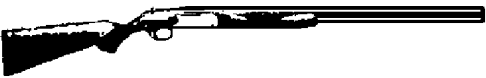
My name is Mark Beal and I have accepted the position of Richmond Road Agent. I have lived in Richmond for the past 13 years with my wife, April. We have been married for 29 years and have two children, Elyse and Jonathan, and two beautiful grandchildren. I have almost 30 years of experience in the construction field, mostly in operating heavy equipment developing roads, parking lots, house lots, site work, driveways and snow plowing. Some of the companies I have worked with are White Acre Construction, Bazin Brothers, Wrenn Construction, Wilkes Construction and the City of Keene.

I look forward to the challenge of maintaining our roads while staying within the town highway budget. To help stay within the budget and to stretch your tax dollars, I plan to do as much of the work as possible myself. I will keep you informed of my progress through the Richmond Rooster. I also look forward to working with the Board of Selectmen and the residents of Richmond and would like to invite you to a Meet and Greet at the Veterans Hall on June 9, 2011 at 7 p.m.. Please feel free to bring any questions, concern, or ideas. You can reach me at 603-903-2184.

Road Agent Log – April 18, 2011 – May 6, 2011:

- Filled pot holes on most of the roads
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Wayne Snow

As many of you know I was injured in a logging accident the first of this year. Although, the accident has left me unable to walk I am still able to work and my business continues to be run. I understand many people may be wondering or even thinking that they need to find a new vendor, but that is not the case. I have had many repeat cordwood customers over the years and I want to get the word out that I am still taking orders. Please do not hesitate to call 239-6435 and place your cordwood order. New customers are always welcome. Thank you.

Dessert Theater
Pam Goodell

The Bob VanBrocklin Memorial Dessert Theatre talent show will be held in Richmond at the Veteran’s Hall on Saturday June 4, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. Admission is free, and there will be free desserts offered at intermission. Donations of canned goods for the Richmond food pantry will be accepted. Open to the public. Sponsored by the Richmond Fire Dept, Richmond Police Dept., Richmond Rec Committee, and the Richmond Community United Methodist Church and The Richmond Rooster

Come and have a good time with your Richmond neighbors while you enjoy the talents they share. This will be a lighthearted community event for your relaxation and pleasure. Tease your taste buds at intermission with desserts provided, and/or bring some to share. See you there.

Things From the District,
June 2011
Neil Moriarty

Congratulations to Richmond’s own Mr. Jed Butterfield on his appointment to the principal position (effective July 2011) of Monadnock Regional High School. I know all of Richmond joins me in wishing Jed the best in this endeavor. Jim Carnie will do a follow up article on Jed and the principal position in the future.

The MRSD Budget Committee had its first meeting of the year on April 24, 2011. Mr. Wayne Lechlider was re-elected chairperson; Ms. Toni Ellsworth was elected vice-chair.

The Budget Committee welcomes back Mr. Tom Parker of Fitzwilliam, and Mr. Dick Bauries, of Swanzey. These gentlemen are past members who bring a wealth of budget experience to the committee.

The budget committee asked the school board to clarify what the operating budget would be for the next fiscal year (FY) 2011-2012. 40

para-professionals were given their layoff notice on April 15, 2011 (the date is driven by RSA). The administration presented a significant change in SPED (Special Education) support policy – by hiring one (1) qualified teacher(s) to replace three (3) para-professionals. The one to three staff reduction, even with disparity in pay scales, will reduce cost and improve response to SPED students. The group (called SERAC) hired to study our SPED practices has delivered a preliminary report available on the SAU 38web site. Combining the new SPED practice above, along with an added \$918,000 of operating budget that the school board did not request, calls for the school board to step in and provide direction on the budget.

Dr. Rick Matte has resigned his post as director of Student Services for SAU 93 (School Administrative Unit 93, our new SAU designation). Rick has accepted a similar position with the CONVAL District. As he never really served the district at this level, it is hard to measure the loss. On the bright side, we can now get to see who the candidates are who are available to a district in need of some help in SPED.

As always if you have comments, or suggestions, feel free to contact Jim Carnie, 239-4948, or Neil Moriarty, 239-4031.

The Tamarack
Marie Pace Juhlin

You would have easily glossed over or thrown out what looks like half a manila folder in an old file at the Richmond Public Library. On closer inspection, you can see that it is actually a hand-written document in the beautiful cursive of teachers (or librarians?) of years and years ago. The ink is so faded that it is almost invisible. I’d like to share this very interesting piece of Richmond history with you. I am typing it verbatim, consequently the spelling, punctuation, and information contained are that of the author.

“THE TAMARACK”

There are three trees in front of the Library—an Apple, an Eastern White Pine, and a Tamarack. The Apple originated inn Asia and was introduced to the New World by the early settlers. The Eastern White Pine loves plenty of light and at present seems the most native to this area of former open fields.

The Tamarack is the only northern conifer that sheds its (three-sided) needles in the Fall. Not highly esteemed locally by old-timers, it is also know as the American Larch and the Hackmatack, grows the furthest north of any tree in America. Intolerant of shade, it doesn’t mind poorly drained ground, likes the boggy habitat of old silted beaver ponds, sees the midnight sun. It goes up like a pole.

The wood of the Tamarack (Larix laricina) is very heavy, hard, strong and durable in contact with the soil; being useful therefor (sic) for flagstuffs, and mail box and fence posts. It has been planted ornamentally. The American Indians used the root fibers of the Tamarack to

sew together with the birch bark of their canoes, and small boat builders used it wood with the root and log for parts such as knees, keels and bottoms.

The Tamarack, which looks frighteningly dead in the winter (but it is not), and which when used as a post, will last in the ground for twenty years; is fairly rare in Richmond, but at least your library has this one and has tree books telling about it.”

There is no signature on the document and it appears that the last sentence was written by another person using a ballpoint pen. It reads: “It was planted by pupils when this building housed a one-room school.”

Having learned this bit of Richmond history, I hereby promise to no longer say to Mrs. O’Brien, our librarian, “Why doesn’t someone cut down that ugly tree?”

With Heartfelt Thanks!
Sherry Snow

Wayne and I would like to take this opportunity to thank our family, friends, community members and strangers who have shown caring and concern for Wayne and our family as we have gone through the chapters of this new way of life. The many cards—that filled up the wall in his room—phone calls of well wishers, and visitors will forever be remembered. We are blessed to have so many wonderful people in our lives and wish to thank each and every one of you for your support and the donations made have helped out tremendously for equipment and renovations needed to allow Wayne to move about independently within our home.

We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to the following: A huge thank you to the Richmond Fire & Rescue for the excellent care Wayne received from all of you as he was taken from the woods to the helicopter, and for funding the ramp at our home!

Many thanks to everyone at the Richmond Four Corners Store for all the work you have done collecting donations and being Wayne’s “personal post office.” Thank you!

Heartfelt thanks to Karen and Jim Starkey, who we consider part of our family, for taking and caring for our daughter Alicia during Wayne’s hospitalization period. We cannot thank you enough for keeping her safe and happy during that difficult time.

Another huge thank you goes out to Jeanie Snow, Betty Snow, Kim Miner, Tracy Pelkey, Donna Snow, Cathy Hartle, Karey Miner and everyone who volunteered their time and energy to the benefit put on for Wayne. Thank you also goes out to Brittanie Miller for bartending, Lynn & Jason for cooking, Gene Parks, and so many others. Heartfelt thanks to everyone who provided raffle items.


Many thanks to Maureen Blackledge and all the people who



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If donating is not possible for you at this time, I thank you for your warm wishes and unwavering support of my efforts. I could never do this without all of you! I fully understand that each of us has our own circumstances and obligations, so if you cannot support me financially, I welcome your kind words, loving energy and prayers.

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Getting to Know Your Advertisers:
Trader John’s Gun Shop
Bonnie McCarthy

For those of you readers who have been Rooster Boosters from the beginning, you will certainly recognize the name Trader John’s Gun Shop. John Corliss, the proprietor, has been a loyal advertiser practically since day one. I spoke with John in early April in order to renew our acquaintance. He has been in business since 1976, and his store on Route #10 in Winchester is chock-a-block full of just about any kind of hunting and sport shooting gear you can name.

He has an entire wall of guns, a variety of scopes, bows, hunting knives, ammunition, reloading supplies, targets, and an array of clothing and accessories. He has USGS topographical maps and the Traveler’s Guide to hunting laws throughout the USA. He sells hunting and fishing licenses, and is a registered deer and turkey check in station. If you are in the market to sell one of your firearms, please give John a call.

Speaking of turkeys, the 2011 season runs from May 3-May 31st. Trader John’s, in conjunction with the Winchester Sportsman’s Club, will again be awarding trophies to any minor child under the age of 16 who bags a turkey. The trophy is similar to the one they offer during deer season. I saw the deer trophy, and it is an extremely impressive prize to display.

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- S peech Slurred speech, difficulty speaking or understanding

T ime Call 911 and get to the hospital immediately

Risk factors for stroke:

- High blood pressure
- High cholesterol
- Heart disease
- Diabetes
- Smoking
- Heavy alcohol use
- Physical inactivity and obesity
- Atrial fibrillation (irregular heartbeat)
- Family history of stroke

Letter to the Editor
Russ Provost

HB 156-FN-A is an Act reducing the rates of tobacco tax. The Act reduces the tax from \$1.78 per pack to \$1.68 per pack.

The Department of Revenue Administration has estimated that the State may lose up to \$12.78 million in tax revenue. The only benefit will be to smokers and stores in the border towns that sell tobacco products. Our State Representative is from a border town. Our State Representative owns a store on Route 12 that specializes in selling liquor and tobacco products. Our State Representative voted in favor of this Act. At the very least I believe he should have recused himself.

Angry Land Owner
Marcus Beauregard

I have lived in Richmond for 16 years. I own property where the high power lines go through on Route 32. In that time I have had many 4x4 trucks, jeeps, dirt bikes, and 4-wheelers go through my land. At first I didn’t mind the vehicles, but as time went on there were less of the big rigs and a lot more of the smaller ones. I have personally talked to well over a hundred people. Telling them to respect my land, take your trash with you. Then, I said tread lightly or tread no more.

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In the last couple of years there has been a tremendous increase of 4-wheelers and dirt bike traffic through the power line road. Many of the riders are from eastern Mass., eastern NH, and a few from Connecticut, and some are local riders, looking for more trails to ride. Last year I talked to at least 50 riders and told them they were on private property and I told them to turn around and don’t come back.

My reasons for the change was a change in riders who felt they had the right to tear up and damage my land. They have total disrespect for mud season and the damage they create. One year I yelled to a rider to stop, he continued and blasted through a barrier I had set up, and kept right on truckin’. I never saw him again. This year I put up signs with no trespassing, private property, and mud season w/no trespassing. You know it didn’t do a damn thing. The dirt bikers drove right on through, didn’t care. Now, I’m talking adults, ages 20’s, 30’s and one gent who I stopped had to be close to 50 years old, riding in a group from eastern Mass. And they all had lame excuses of why they drove past the signs. Like we didn’t see them, we are lost, were sorry but no real reason. It’s pretty hard to miss a sign fluorescent orange with a picture of a dirt bike, 4-wheeler in a circle with a line through it, in the wide open. Well, I’ll tell you I wasn’t impressed and many received a good piece of my mind. Get off my land and don’t come back.


Recently someone has been stealing my signs. Three are missing. So the end run of all this is I have decided to put up gates and bars with the support of Family Trails from Troy. I’ve had enough. They will be installed this year. I have been in contact with the local Police Department and Fish & Game Department. I would like to hear from other property owners who have the same problems of disrespect for the wooded trails and crossing private property.

Richmond Healing
Peter Hughes

I don’t think I have to point out to anyone living in Richmond that our town has a less than optimal reputation. The unfortunate controversy that has existed here for several years has left many uncomfortable about meeting their neighbors, especially us newcomers. My deepest apologies if I have contributed to this sentiment in my frustration. No one should feel threatened and all should feel welcome. The rights of all must be respected.

I am not quite sure how best to proceed other than to suggest that we let go of our pride, anger and start to forgive. I encourage all who are interested in truly healing Richmond to reach out to their neighbors and convey a welcoming spirit. Please let me know if there is anything I can do for your family or the town in general. I will do my best to help. Thank you for your attention.

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Relay for Life
Russ Provost

I will be participating in the 2011 greater Keene Relay for Life to raise money for the American Cancer Society. Last year I walked 27 miles in 7 hours. This year my goal is 50 miles in 14 hours. The event begins on June 3rd at 6:30 p.m. at the Monadnock High School track and ends at noon on June 4th. It is the least I can do, seeing how much suffering this terrible disease has caused my friends over the past years. Donations can be made either online through the American Cancer web site www.main.acsevents.org . From there go to 2011 Relay for Life , Keene NH, then Donate Russell Provost at Team Ode to Joy or make a check out to American Cancer Society and mail it to our home, at 38 Monument Road, Richmond NH 03470. Thanks!

Quote
Russ Provost

“The End of Democracy and the Defeat of the American Revolution will occur when government falls into the hands of the lending institutions and moneyed corporations.”
— Thomas Jefferson

Informative Minutes
Marie Knowlton, Publisher

I do try to keep up on town events but sometimes things slip by and I just miss it. The issue of the Road Agent was one of those events that I missed. I can’t say either way whether the Road Agent needed to be replaced or not, but wham bam our Road Agent has changed.

That is not exactly what happened, but not having timely minutes in the Rooster makes it seem that way and not attending the pre-warrant meeting sealed my misinformation.

The Richmond Rooster attempts to keep residents informed of town events by printing Selectboard meeting minutes as often as we get them. Year after year minutes have been sparse and uninformative; a quick sentence, a couple words, a dog lost, a permit issued, barely enough to let anyone know what the town was involved in.

Last month the Richmond Rooster covered the Selectboard Meeting minutes from March 14– April 4, 2011. It is my opinion that these meeting minutes are well above any that the town has seen. They are clearly written with just enough narrative and detail to keep residents informed about meeting events. I congratulate the Selectboard on stepping up with this important historical record.

To continue keeping things current and timely the



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Selectboard has stated that they will be posting their meeting minutes on their website the day after the meeting. So far today, May 1, the Richmond NH website has one set of minutes dated February 22, 2010. In reality the Richmond Rooster might not be timely, but we are still one year ahead of the town posting.

Rabies
Stephen K. Crawford, DVM

New Hampshire State Veterinarian
Reprint of letter sent to Town Clerks
Rabies virus causes a disease of mammals which is fatal if left untreated. The virus can be transmitted from one mammal to another by contact with saliva (e.g. a bite wound), brain or spinal cord material.
Rabies is endemic in wildlife in New Hampshire, and as a result every year in New Hampshire there are dozens of interactions between humans and rabies infected wildlife. As well, there are uncounted opportunities for domestic animals (e.g. dogs, cats, livestock) to have unsupervised contact with rabid wildlife.

In an effort to create a buffer between the natural reservoir of rabies virus in wildlife and the human population of the state, it is required by law that all dogs, cats & ferrets over 3 months of age must be vaccinated against rabies. As it is required by statute, this vaccination must be administered by a licensed veterinarian. The statute further requires that the certificate for your pet’s rabies vaccination be sent to your town clerk by your veterinarian.
Very effective vaccines exist for the control and prevention of rabies in domestic animals. As well, the state participates in an oral rabies vaccination program for raccoons in the area of New Hampshire that borders Canada. Please ask your veterinarian to address any questions that you may have about vaccination options for your animals.
Even though some vaccines are required by law, every year the state has some domestic animal(s) that are diagnosed with rabies. It is very rare that these animals have ever been vaccinated. There have been several high profile cases of human interactions with rabid animals in New Hampshire’s history. For example, last summer a feral cat in Northwood was diagnosed with rabies
In 2008, there were 59 diagnosed cases of rabies in New Hampshire. Three of these cases were domestic animals. It is valuable to remember that even though there is no vaccine required by law for resident animals, livestock are not immune to rabies virus, and in fact there have been rabies positive livestock in New Hampshire in recent years.
Please remember to get your pets vaccinated for rabies in accordance with the statute. For those who own livestock, it is highly recommended that you discuss rabies vaccinations with your vet. Rabies vac-

cination is an integral part of your pet’s health program.
It is also wise to remember that you should avoid direct physical contact with wildlife and should report any wildlife that is exhibiting strange behavior to your local animal control officer.

Out and About—June
John Boccalini

Thurs. June 2, 6 - 8 p.m. Spirited Taste of Summer, to benefit Rise...for baby & family, Keene Country Club. Wine and beer tasting accompanied by fine food from 14 contributing local restaurants. Tickets \$40 advance, \$45 after May 30. To purchase tickets call 357-1395 at 147 Washington Street, Keene.
6 p.m. Urban Gardening/Container Gardening, Stonewall Farm, Keene. Learn how to grow food and herbs in a limited space. Sliding scale fee: \$5 - \$15. Register: Localvore.com, (603) 756-2988, ext. 116.
7:30 p.m. African Children’s Choir Colonial Theater, Main St., Keene.
Fri. June 3, 5- 9 p.m. First Friday - Downtown Peterborough: Downtown Peterborough shops and restaurants extend their hours, offer special deals and provide entertainment!
Fri.-Sun. June 3-5, 10 a.m.-8 p.m. 10th Annual Strolling of the Heifers Weekend, Brattleboro, Vt. Parade of 100 heifer calves, bedecked in flowers and led by future farmers. This year features the inaugural Tour de Heifer, a scenic farm-to-farm bicycle ride. Strollingoftheheifers.com.
Sat. June 4, 9 a.m.–12 p.m. (weather permitting). Beginner Beekeeping, Imagine That HONEY!, Swanzey. Learn how to get started and keep healthy bees. \$25 per couple. Dean and Jodi Turner (603) 381-1717.
June 4, 7 p.m. Bob VanBrocklin Memorial Dessert Theater. Richmond shows its talent Veterans Hall. Free to all. You can bring dessert if you want or a bit of something to support the community kitchen.
June 8, 10, 11, 8 p.m. and June 12, 2 p.m., 8 p.m. Father of the Bride is a collaboration between professional actors and talented high school actors. Bring the family to this beloved comedy about a father who is overwhelmed by the turmoil (not to mention finances) caused by his daughter’s out-of-control wedding plans. Peterborough Players, P.O. Box 118, 55 Hadley Road, Peterborough, NH 03458
Thurs. June 9, 7 p.m. The Selectmen invite you to join them at the Veterans Hall to talk with your new Road Agent, Mark Beal.
Friday June 10, 9:30 p.m. Miss Tess & the Bon Ton Parade - Named by the Boston Globe as a “Local on the Verge” for 2008, Miss Tess is a young, Boston-based performing songwriter. Harlow’s Restaurant, Pererboro www.myspace.com/harlowspubmusic. Shows are either donations or between \$5-\$10
June 11, at 2 and 7 p.m. and Sunday, June 12, at 2 p.m. MoCo’s

School of Dance presents “Land of Oz” in the Main Theatre, Redfern Arts Center on Brickyard Pond Contact at Keene State College. Tickets are \$17 for adults and \$12 for senior citizens and children.
Sat. June 11, 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. Organic Gardening with Tracey Tryba, Richmond Library. Contact us to sign up at 239-6164, email at richmondpubliclibrar@ne.rr.com, or stop by.
Sat., Sun., June 11-12, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. 7th Annual Spring into Summer Faire, Hillsborough. Local arts and crafts for the home. German John’s Bakery will cater lunch and snacks. (603) 478-3544. Hillsboroughartisans.com.
June 12, Sun., 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Mycological Landscaping: Growing Mushrooms in the Garden & Straw Inoculation, Wichland Woods, Nelson. Learn why mushrooms and plants work so well together. Potluck lunch and mushroom feast. \$45. Register: Nofanh.org/herbworkshops.
Sun. June 12 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Community Day in the Emerson Brook Forest.
June 18, Sat., 10 am – 3 p.m. Wilton Center Unitarian Church’s 4th Annual Strawberry Festival. Strawberry shortcake and other strawberry delights, craft fair with local artisans and games for children. (603) 654-9561.
June 25, Sat., 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Secret Gardens of Keene. An annual tour to benefit Cheshire Housing Trust. Advance tickets available mid-May for \$12, \$15 the day-of. (603) 357-7603.
June 25, Sat., 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Open House at Orchard Hill Breadworks, East Alstead. Meet the baker, get free samples and eat wood fired pizza. Orchardhillbreadworks.com
June 25, Sat., (exact time TBA). Family Concert and Strawberry Shortcake at Picadilly Farm, Winchester. Performance by the Family Folk Chorale (Familyfolkchorale.org). Organic strawberries, homemade shortcake and local ice cream. (603) 239-8718. Picadillyfarm.com.
June 25-26, Sat., Sun., 8 a.m. - 12 p.m. Whole Foods Breakfast at 47th Annual Gilsum Rock Swap and Mineral Show, Gilsum. Healthy breakfast food donated by local farmers, bakers and businesses. Suggested donation: \$8 adults, \$3 children; no one turned away for lack of funds. Proceeds support the Sustainability Project. (603) 357-0860. Emersonbrookforest.org.
Sunday June 26, 4 p.m. Norway Pond Festival Singers: “Songs of Hope” Hancock Congregational Church
June 30 and July 1, 2, 7 - 9, 7:30 p.m. RENT. Tickets \$15 General and \$12 Seniors/Students. At the Community House of Marlborough, Rte. 101, Marlborough, NH
Sat July 2, 6 p.m. Peterborough Fireworks Celebration by Atlas Pyrotechnics!
Ongoing Events
Every Monday Contra Dancing 8 p.m. Variety of excellent callers

and musicians. Donation: \$3 Nelson Town Hall.
Every Tuesday Tuesday Night Pizza & Karaoke 8 - 11: p.m. CJ the DJ. Ed’s Crossroads Pizza & Subs, Crossroads of Routes 12 & 119 Fitzwilliam, NH.
Every Wednesday, 9:30 - 11 p.m. Open Mic Night, Harlow’s Pub. Acoustic only please.
Every Thursday 7 – 10 p.m. Open Mic Night. Cheshire Tavern at the Fitzwilliam Inn, Come sing, play, read a poem, or listen by the fire in the Tavern.
During June
Dancing Dog Farm presents the Summer 2011 “Grow Your Own” series of classes on backyard organic farming and homesteading. For more information about summer classes, contact Carol: 603.289-2426, or email drtmrpony@aol.com. Find us online at www.dancingdog-farm.wordpress.com
June 2, 9 a.m. - 11 a.m., Introduction to Backyard Organic Farming. \$20
June 4, 9 a.m. - 11 a.m., Keep it Simple! Composting, Vermiculture (worms!) and Compost Tea \$35
June 9, 9 a.m. - 11 a.m., Grow your Own Organic Salad in a Pot! \$25 (materials included)
June 14, 9 a.m. - 11 a.m., The Backyard Organic Chicken Flock \$20
June !6, 9 a.m. - 11 a.m., The Lazy Girl’s Guide to Organic Veggie Gardening \$20
June 20, 9 a.m. - 11 a.m., The Soul of Soil \$25
June 21, 9 a.m. - 11 a.m., The Homestead Dairy \$20
June 23, 9 a.m. - 11 a.m., The Cook’s Herb Garden \$25 (materials included)
June 24, 9 a.m. - 11 a.m., Backyard Barnyard \$20
June 25, 9 a.m. – 11 a.m., Making Delicious Soft Cheeses \$45

American Religious Song
Frank Behrens

Some time ago, a wonderful team named Keith and Rusty McNeil created and recorded an 8-part set of CDs that trace the development of the American song from Colonial times to the then-present. Each of the 350 selections was preceded by spoken narration; and the entire enterprise had great educational value as well as being pure entertainment.
Now the team, with many supporting singers, has hit gold again in their California home with their 3-CD set titled “American Religious Songs with Historical Narration.” Here we have 137 examples, divided into 1492-1800, 1800-1860, 1860-1890, and after 1890. They are very careful to include non-Christian selections, including even a beautiful “Muslim Call to



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Prayer” and “The Ghost Dance Song” of a short-lived Indian religion that tried to live in peace with the white man and to keep away from liquor.

Not every song is necessarily religious. “The Quaker’s Courtship” makes fun of that sect, while several songs have secular lyrics set to familiar religious tunes. Among the latter are “Hallelujah I’m a Bum” (a variant of “Revive Us Again”), “The Whisky Shops Must Go” and at least one other that borrows the melody of “The Battle Hymn of the Republic.”

Among the most beautiful of the lot is “It’s a Gift to be Simple,” which exemplifies in every way the pattern of Shaker life. “Chester,” sung during the American Revolution, is an example of adapting a Biblical passage to fit political needs. There are many sledgehammer selections that make no attempt at subtlety, one being Arthur Sullivan’s “Onward, Christian Soldiers,” familiar more through Salvation Army renditions than from church services (although it is now part of the Catholic hymnal).

The program opens with “Oh, What a Beautiful City” and ends with “Amazing Grace.” Between these two, the variety is dazzling. And I must point out that the soloists’ voices are just right for this sort of music, with only one song that defeats the soloist. The choral work is quite well done too.

There is no point in my piling up examples. This is simply a set not to be missed, and every church group (at least) should want a copy to get some insight into what they are singing and the story behind each selection.

Note: I have recently learned that Rusty McNeil passed away after this album was completed. I dedicate these reviews, if I may, to her memory.

Selectmen’s Minutes
Richmond Selectboard

April 18 2011 - 7:00 p.m.

Attending: Sandra Gillis, Lori Scanlan

Read mail and signed checks.

Darrold Tanner addressed the Board and asked if he was going to be hired for spring and summer maintenance of the town buildings. Sandra informed him that he will be and should expect to do the mowing and other maintenance that he normally does annually.

Bev addressed the Board and let them know what the status is of her map project she is working on. She has completed a drawer in the Town Hall and will be working on the second one soon.

Daniel Greenspan addressed the Board for a building permit for a screened porch. The permit was approved.

Sandra asked Steve Boscarino, tax collector, about the lien redemption fees he receives. Some have the book and page numbers

on it and some don’t. Steve will ensure that all of them have it on there. The Board asked him about his old computer; it may be something that Bev can use if it is faster than hers.

Sandra made a motion to adopt the invoice policy as written. Lori seconded it. Motion carried.

Sandra made a motion to adopt the purchasing policy as written, adding the amount of \$750.00 not be exceeded for each of the three categories. Lori seconded it. Motion carried.

Mark Beal met with the Board to discuss his job description as road agent. He will be in charge of road maintenance for the town. He is expected to provide good customer service. Sandra explains how the budget works and Roberta will give Mark a chart of accounts. After a little more discussion, Mark talked to the Board about different roads around town. Mark has noticed a few street signs missing on roads. He has noticed Whipple Hill Road needs immediate attention. There were other pertinent questions asked about how he is going to handle seasonal workers and labor. Sandra would like him to work on hiring a highway department and then contract out any other equipment or operating needs. Mark feels the town could benefit from having a tractor and York rake. Sandra would like Mark to retain, with a retainer, Holman Contracting, for a year to be used as needed. Mark is more comfortable with thirty days at a time. Sandra made a motion to retain Holman Contracting for a period of thirty days to provide road maintenance under the supervision of the road agent. Lori seconded it. Discussion: What is the retainer going to be? The Selectmen will discuss this with John Holman. Motion carried.

Sandra made a motion to go into non-public session per RSA 91-a:11 (a) Lori seconded it. Motion carried. Entered at 9:10 p.m. Public session reconvened at 9:25 p.m. The minutes were not sealed. Mark was then sworn in as Road Agent by Roberta, Notary Public.

The Board discussed the computers in the town office and Roberta and Lori will talk to different IT specialists to see what needs to be done.

Lori made a motion to transfer the authorization of pistol permits to the Chief of Police. Sandra seconded it. Motion carried. Sandra made a motion to authorize that the pistol permit fee of \$10.00 be applied to the Richmond Police department pistol fee fund. Lori seconded it. Motion carried.

There being no other business to come before the Board, the Board adjourned at 10:10 p.m.

April 18 2011

Non-public Selectmen’s Meeting

Non-public was entered at 9:10 p.m.

Compensation for Mark Beal, road agent, was discussed. He will be receiving \$11,400.00 annually as salary, paid out monthly and he will be reimbursed for his monthly cell phone bill.

April 25 2011 - 7:00 p.m.

Attending: Sandra Gillis, Lori Scanlan, JC Boudreau

Read mail and signed checks.

Steve Brewster addressed the Board with a building permit application to put a shed on his property. He doesn’t have enough feet from the road to the shed, he has 57ft and the minimum according to the zoning ordinance is 83ft from the center of the road. Steve took his application back and will see if he can move the shed plan to somewhere else on the property.

Pete Majoy addressed the Board regarding the letter he received from the Board about budgets and evaluations. He has one line item number for his budget.

He also informed the Board that Elmer Arborgast had a death in the family and will not be able to be at the meeting Thursday night. The public meeting will be rescheduled for the energy report. Peter also asked the Board to create a letter to send to VT Yankee voicing concerns about what will happen if the Plant was to close down. He also asked the Board to address the Master Plan on an ongoing basis and to put it on the agenda. He would also like the Master Plan to be a topic of discussion when the joint Boards meeting is held on May 12th. Peter thanked the Selectmen for the good work they are doing.

Dick Drew addressed the Board regarding the purchasing policy and the evaluation policy. Dick would like a monthly report on his budget and Roberta will provide that. The PB secretary has resigned and her last meeting date is May 17th. Four resumes have been received for a Land Use Assistant and Dick and Sandy Perry will look at them and interview qualified applicants. There was an intent to excavate submitted to the Board of Selectmen from John Holman and the Board gave it to Dick for the Planning board to approve.

Chris Bush addressed the Board and discussed installing solar panels at his home. He asked if the town has an electrician that would come out and inspect and JC informed him that there is not. Chris will hire his own electrician. Chris also asked about the exemption for having solar panels and JC informed him that there is one and Roberta will find out what documentation is needed to implement that exemption.

Annette Tokunaga, Town clerk, addressed the Board regarding the purchasing policy and invoice payment policy. Annette’s budget is okay.

Sandra made a motion to go into non-public per RSA 91A:3II (a) Lori seconded it. Motion carried. Non-public entered at 8:12 p.m. Public session was reconvened at 8:25 p.m. The minutes were sealed.

Sandra asked Annette if she thought she may have extra monies in her budget this year and she thinks she might if her computers and printer stay okay.

Lori went with Bill Sullivan to Lyons Rd. to assess if there is any

damage caused by the snow plow operator that the citizen on the road hired this winter. Lori would like the road agent to take a look at the culvert on the road and she will contact him. JC informed Sandra and Lori that the town has designated all Class 6 roads as emergency lanes.

Norma Thibodeau addressed the Board and thanked them for the good work they are doing. Norma is concerned about the youngsters at the town pavilion. They use the facilities in a derogatory manner, such as skateboarding on the picnic tables and playing with the light switches. She would like to see a police patrol in the area and maybe some signs hung up.

Lori asked if anything was damaged and Norma believes there has been. Norma is concerned about the leech field at the CD building/fire dept./police dept. because it is in the play area. She doesn’t think the leech field should be a ball field. There is a ball field. JC disagreed with her about the leech field, it was made for foot traffic. Norma would also like a sign at the pavilion to inform people to take their trash with them. The Board discussed the problems and will invite the parks & recreation committee and the Police chief to a BOS meeting to discuss a solution.

The Board discussed the space in the office and what can be done and where does the Board go from here. JC thinks a list is needed and a floor plan needs to be created. Sandra explained that a meeting was held in March with town employees and eight citizens and the space needs were discussed.

The Board discussed Fay Martin Bridge and applying for State Bridge aid for the bridge. An application for aid was applied for two years ago and needs to be completed.

JC made a motion to close the Selectmen’s office on Memorial Day, July 4th and Labor Day in 2011. Sandra seconded it. Motion carried. Intents to cut were approved for: M402-L00, M411-L32, M408-L037 & 066.

There being no other business to come before the Board, the Board adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

May 02 2011 - 7:00 p.m.

Attending: Sandra Gillis, Lori Scanlan, JC Boudreau

Read mail and signed checks.

Steve Brewster addressed the Board with a building permit application to put a shed on his property. He doesn’t have enough feet from the road to the shed, he has 65ft and the minimum according to the zoning ordinance is 83ft from the center of the road. JC made a motion to deny the building permit # 2011-004 because an 83ft requirement for the setback has not been met. He has a 65ft setback. Lori seconded it. Motion carried.

Norma Thibodeau addressed the Board last week regarding her concerns about the youngsters at the town pavilion. Norma

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they use the facilities in a derogatory manner, such as skateboarding on the picnic tables and playing with the light switches. She would like to see a police patrol in the area and maybe some signs hung up. Representatives from the park committee, recreation committee and Chief Wood attended this evening’s meeting to discuss a way to alleviate these problems. The bus drops off and picks up children at the CD building every day.

The Board discussed many different options for signs, limiting where skateboards and rollerblades can be used. JC recommended holding a public forum to gather ideas for what can be done at the park for everyone’s benefit.

Mark Beauregard addressed the Board with ideas about what he would like to do in the park, such as replacing basketball hoops, possibly making horseshoe pits, etc. The Board thinks he has good ideas.

Mark Beal addressed the Board and discussed what projects and work he has done the last two weeks. He has been working with John Holman Contracting to repair the roads. Mark would like to put the grading out for bid. Mark and Lori will create a RFP for the grading jobs. Mark let the Board know which roads he has cleaned up. Mark would like to know what to do with the rubbish he picks up. The Board lets him know to bring it to the transfer station. There is a culvert that needs to be replaced on Whipple Hill Rd. He would like permission to replace this one. The Board is okay with it.

Lori went with the road agent, Mark Beal, last Tuesday to Lyons Rd to assess if there was any damage caused by the snow plow operator that the citizen on the road hired this winter. Mark assessed the condition of the road and the culverts and he thinks they are fine.

The gate to the town garage belongs to Buddy Blood. He would like it back. The Board will allow Mr. Blood to take the gate. All of the contractors’ equipment has been removed from the town shed now. Mark asked about the bridge on Fay Martin Rd. and if it will be replaced anytime soon since the Saint Benedict Center is going to be paving and the contractors would like to use the bridge. The town is in the process of replacing the bridge. JC asked Mark to put in writing what the weight limit is on Fay Martin bridge and give it to the paving contractor. The Board and Mark had more discussion about the roads and what has been done and what is needed. An informational meeting with Mark and the Board and the public was scheduled for June 9th at 7:00 p.m. at the Veteran’s Hall.

Annette Tokunaga, Town Clerk, addressed the board and let them know that the computer back-up equipment is in her vault. Roberta will contact Wes to see what he used it for and how much it would cost for him to come in and do the back up, or if it is something Roberta or Annette can do themselves. Annette would also like a shelf installed at her window for people to use to write on. Rick

Lewis will install it.

Annette also informed the Board that she worked very hard on the budget that was approved at Town Meeting. She made changes in her budget to reflect the \$3000.00 reduction in her budget. She had to reduce the Deputy Town Clerk’s hours by 3.5 a week. Annette feels her budget will be okay by the end of the year, but she will cut her own hours if needed.

The Board discussed the purchasing policy and made a slight change. Sandra made a motion to accept the change to the Invoice Payment Policy as: *Invoices will be paid only if they are approved and signed by the Department Head, dated, and include the account number to which the expense should be charged. The invoice should include enough detail to indicate the purpose for which the expense is made. Invoices must be submitted for payment within 20 days of receipt. The Assistant to the Selectmen is authorized to refuse to pay any invoice that lacks these items.* Lori seconded it. Motion carried.

Last week’s minutes reflected that the non-public minutes were sealed and they were not sealed.

The Board discussed who will run the meeting regarding the energy audit from Mr. Arborgast. The energy committee would like the Board to run the meeting. JC offered guidelines as to how the meeting should be run. The Board also discussed the agenda for the joint meeting with the ZBA and Planning Board.

Sandra made a motion to go into non-public per RSA 91A:3II (a) Lori seconded it. Motion carried. Non-public entered at 9:40 p.m. Public session was reconvened at 9:50 p.m.

The Board signed the deed for selling M409-L033 to Mr. Martin Weinstein. Attorney Tower created the deed and has been in contact with Mr. Weinstein’s attorney to set up the closing. One concern that Mr. Weinstein has is the condition of the property. According to Mr. Weinstein’s attorney, there is a lot of trash and some barrels on the property. The Board will hire Chip Adams to clean up the property.

The Board discussed the funds for the Fay Martin bridge and finishing the application for State Bridge Aid.

Brad Grinstead asked the Board about the safety committee and how many employees make up the committee and whether he can be a member of the committee or not. It is not clear as to whether Brad is an employee of the town, since he was hired for seasonal work. Brad feels he is and has been sworn into the safety committee. The meeting next week for the committee has been cancelled since JC will not be there.

Brad Grinstead asked the Board about John Holman being on retainer for the town and how it works. Sandra informed him that Holman is not on retainer. He is charging for the work that is done. Brad asked why just John Holman and disagreed with Sandra’s answer that it is Mark’s choice. Brad feels that he was told who to use and Dan Firman should have a chance to do work also.

There being no other business to come before the Board, the Board adjourned at 10:45 p.m.

May 09 2011 - 7:00 p.m.

Attending: Sandra Gillis, Lori Scanlan, JC Boudreau

Read mail and signed checks.

Steve Boscarino, tax collector, addressed the Board and let them know that delinquency letters regarding taxes were sent out May 5, 2011.

Geri Lutz and Bev Hart, Cemetery trustees, addressed the Board regarding the fiscal responsibility letter and their budget and seasonal help. Geri explained how the seasonal help is hired and that they do not have anyone returning this year from last year. There was further discussion on what needs to be done in the cemeteries and what the plan is to get it done. The budget was also discussed and the trust accounts and how transfers can be expedited from the trust funds. Sandra informed Geri and Bev that the Board will meet with the trustees to clarify a policy regarding the cemetery trusts.

Melissa Herman and Joe Tonweber, Supervisors of the checklist, addressed the Board regarding their budget and the fiscal responsibility letter that all departments received. They believe their budget is okay since there are not any more elections this fiscal year.

Mike Pearsall, Fire Chief and Ed Atkins, Deputy Fire Chief, addressed the Board regarding the fiscal responsibility letter that they received. The budget and evaluation form was discussed and Chief Pearsall explained that there aren’t any paid firemen, they are all volunteer.

JC made a motion to appoint Ed Atkins as deputy fire chief until April 30, 2012. Lori seconded it. Motion carried.

Southwest Mutual Aid, which all Cheshire County towns belong to, had their budget cut by the State by \$46,000. The cost may be passed on to towns. Mike would like the Board, either individually or as a whole, to send a letter to the county representatives expressing their concerns about the budget being cut.

Terri O’Rorke addressed the Board regarding the fiscal responsibility letter that she received. The budget was discussed and Terri explained that she will be paying for the rescue squad expenses from the Irene Baker Trust Fund.

Bob Coy addressed the Board regarding the fiscal responsibility letter that he received. He discussed his budget and then they discussed the needs of the Civil Defense building.

Mark Beal addressed the Board regarding his budget and what he

has left for road maintenance for the rest of the year. Mr. Beal will meet with the public on June 9th at the Veteran’s hall to discuss road maintenance issues.

Alex Hoar addressed the Board regarding a building permit. He has a camp on Fay Martin Rd. and he would like to demolish the current cabin and then build a new one in another spot. He knows he doesn’t have enough road frontage on the class 5 road for the new cabin according to the zoning ordinance. Sandra made a motion to deny the building permit for lack of 250 ft of frontage on a Class 5 road. No one seconded it. Mr. Hoar will come back with a completed building permit application with a plot plan for the Board to consider.

Steven Gallagher addressed the Board with a building permit application. He needs to complete the information and will return next week.

Andrew Wood, police chief, addressed the Board to discuss police detail rates. Andy would like to raise the detail rate pay for an officer to \$38.00-\$42.00 an hour. Andy also discussed his budget and how his budget is doing. He is on track with his budget. After Andy left, the Board discussed the detail rates and Lori made a motion to raise the detail rate for the town to \$60.00 an hr.- \$40.00hr for police officer, \$10.00 for administration and \$10.00 for the

car. JC seconded it. Motion carried.

Sandy Perry addressed the Board and let them know that Dick Drew, Rick Lewis, Alan Schmidt and herself will be interviewing the applicants for the Land Use assistant on Wednesday evening. Sandy also discussed the procedure for ZBA mailings. She has to pay for the mailings herself when she goes to the post office and then ask for reimbursement because the applicants are making the checks out to the town instead of the post office. The problem is there isn’t an exact figure for the applicant as to how much it is going to cost at the post office. The Board will discuss this further and develop a policy.

Sandra made a motion to enter non-public per RSA 91-A:3 II (e). Lori seconded it. Roll call vote is taken: Lori-yes, Sandra-yes, JC-yes. Motion carried. Non- public was entered at 10:25 p.m. Public session was reconvened at 10:33 p.m.

JC discussed with the other Board members the procedure of building permits and that everyone has to fill out a building permit and Lori and Sandra agreed. The Board discussed the procedure for a plot plan and the possibility of having the zoning compliance officer check the plot areas for the building permits. Lori thinks someone should inspect the property before the concrete is poured. There being no other business to come before the Board, the Board adjourned at 11:00 p.m.

Answers

1. New Hampshire signed the Declaration of Independence first; however, Delaware signed the constitution first; 2. 400 members in the NH House, 24 in the NH senate.

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