

and supply fuel and in response to Fenton's questions, averred that they also would be financially responsible for any damage to the machine associated with its use on the rail bed.

Thompson identified his concerns regarding the vehicle's maintenance and the potential impact to his budget. Gup-till questioned whether or not state statute might bar Town forces from working on property not owned or maintained by the Town. The Board told the group that it would make a decision after further discussion at a later time.

Fenton recessed the Selectmen's meeting and opened a public informational meeting relative to the planned drawdown of Highland Lake. A number of spectators were in attendance for this portion of the meeting.

Stetson recited the Board's decision to lower the water level by approximately 2.5 feet starting on Monday, September 12, and to return it to the normal winter level in mid to late October, weather permitting. Fenton declared the informational meeting closed and the Selectmen's meeting resumed.

The Board approved an intent to cut for logging on Emery Road.

With Police Chief Laramie present, the Board then met with Carmelita Moe who asked the Board to hear her complaint regarding the length of time that it took the Chief to complete a report for an automobile accident that she had been involved in. She also expressed concern that information about individuals who she believes witnessed the accident was not included in the report and that the report indicated she was not injured in the accident. She also complained that Laramie had not returned her call after she left messages with the dispatch operator.

She alleged the delay was related to a dog complaint that she had filed with the department some years back. Laramie apologized for the tardiness

of the report and explained that the only message that he had received was that she was looking for the report, not that she wished him to call her.

He offered that witnesses can only be included in the report if they, and not someone else, state to the investigating officer that they were witnesses. He also told her that when someone refuses transport to a local hospital by the Rescue Squad after being involved in an automobile accident, it is standard procedure for the accompanying police report to reflect that there was no injury to that person.

Fenton opined and Laramie agreed that should she want to discuss the matter further, she and Laramie should meet at the police station to do so.

Laramie reported that he has received three applications from individuals seeking part-time employment. He also reported that the new police cruiser is awaiting installation of the light bar and should be in service within a couple of weeks.

Because the next regularly scheduled meeting falls on the Labor Day holiday, the Board decided to change the meeting date from September 5 to September 6. However, the Selectmen reserved the right to cancel the meeting if they determine there is no significant business to conduct.

The Board discussed the FNRT committee's request for the donation of the use of the Town's grader. The Board denied the request, citing the precedent that would be set for other groups that might want to use the grader or other Town equipment and the potential for mechanical problems that could take it out of service for an undetermined length of time.

The Selectmen did note that, as a matter of policy, publicly-owned assets should be used for essentially private projects only where they have been approved by the voters at Town Meeting, and therefore that the committee could seek a contrary result from the voters at next year's Town Meeting.

Planning Board

July 26

Condensed from approved minutes.

Present: Don Gould, Chair; Eric Johnson, Vice-Chair; Roger Godwin; Keith Pfeifer; Wood Sutton, alternate appointed to position of Joe Stearns.

Preliminary Non-Binding Consultation: Cersosimo Industries for a major subdivision on property abutting Salisbury with access from Andover. Tim Hanson of Cersosimo and Bob Stewart, Jr. presented a proposal for a major (4-lot) subdivision on a parcel of land situated in both Andover and Salisbury where Flaghole Road enters Franklin with the road frontage for all lots being on Flaghole Road. The proposal is for four lots, each approximately five acres, and an additional larger area, which is part of one lot and located in Salisbury behind the four lots, to be under a conservation easement.

The applicants indicate that as two of the homes will be located in Andover, the frontage regulations are more restrictive in Andover and will be applied, and as the other two homes will be located in Salisbury, the setbacks requirements are greater in Salisbury and will be applied.

The applicants have met with the East Andover Fire Chief and, as major subdivision regulations require fire protection, they state that there is satisfactory access to a fire pond just over the Franklin border. The applicants state that test pits have been done and acknowledge that it is necessary to apply for driveway permits from the Road Agent.

Godwin advised the applicants that it is necessary for the Board to consult with the Salisbury Planning Board to determine how the applicants should proceed.

Continued Non-Binding Consultation: Revision of Minor Subdivision for Howard M. Jelleme on Emery Road.

As agents for Howard Jelleme, Ricker and Lisa Jelleme-Miller presented a proposed revised minor subdivision plan. The applicants recently received approval by the Zoning Board of Adjustment for the creation of a lot with no road frontage, abutting and behind the two lots with road frontage, the new lot to be used specifically for "greenspace," not to be developed.

As the previously approved plan was registered at Merrimack County Registry of Deeds, it was determined that the former subdivision was completed but in the present circumstances the requested change can be treated by the Board as a lot line adjustment. The Board has requested proposed deed language reflecting the restrictions to be placed on the new back ("greenspace") lot, a letter from the East Andover Fire Chief approving the division, a copy of the Zoning Board approval, driveway access permits, and an application for a minor subdivision since that application form covers all questions pertinent to both minor subdivisions and lot line adjustments.

Zoning Board Of Adjustment

July 19

Present: Katherine Stearns, Chair; Susan Schnare; Jeff Newcomb; Don Gross; Paul Fopiano, alternate.

Continuation of Public Hearing: Request for a variance from Howard Jelleme to allow for the creation of a lot through subdivision that will not have frontage on a Town- or State-maintained road. The property is located on Emery Road.

Chairperson Stearns advised Howard Jelleme that the Board had reviewed the proposed division that Ricker and Lisa Jelleme-Miller brought before the board in June, and as he is the property owner, his presence and approval of the

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