

Telephone (603) 673-8855, ext. 213 Fax (603) 673-8136

TOWN OF BROOKLINE, NEW HAMPSHIRE SELECTBOARD

P.O. BOX 360 – 1 Main Street BROOKLINE, NH 03033-0360

Selectboard@brooklinenh.us

http://www.brooklinenh.us

Non-Public Minutes-6 Selectboard Monday, October 18, 2021

Selectboard members present: Drew Kellner, Brendan Denehy, Eddie Arnold, Dana Ketchen and Steve Russo. Also attending: Town Administrator Tad Putney.

Draft Ordinances

Steve said at the last Planning Board meeting the School and Town Services Study Committee presented three draft ordinances – one each for workforce housing, growth management and well water. He said builders were at the meeting as well as Attorney Bob Parodi and all were against the growth management and well water ordinances. Steve said that Bob Parodi suggested if a person has owned their lot for five years, they should be exempt from the ordinance. Steve also said Ben Chandler advised if sufficient water cannot be found on a lot, then the owner should be given a reduction on their taxes as it is a non-buildable lot. **Steve** said there was a belief that it is not up to the builder to find out if there is sufficient water on the lot. Steve said he will forward the latest ordinance drafts to Tad and he will send them to the Board members. **Steve** said that the Building Inspector said he felt the new well water ordinance would put more demands on him and that he may not have enough time to address it. Steve said **Peter D'Agostino** believes the well water ordinance should be passed at town meeting, but Valerie maintains that the Selectboard can adopt it. Steve said Roger Skillings said at the meeting Windham has good well water regulations and we should follow them. **Steve** said in Windham, it was the Selectboard that adopted the well water regulations, not town meeting. Steve said he contacted Windham's Town Administrator, Dave Sullivan, and Dave confirmed that the regulations were passed by the Selectboard seven years ago, there have not been significant complaints and it is working well. Steve asked Tad to contact NHMA for clarification if a well water ordinance can be adopted by the Selectboard or if it requires town meeting approval. Steve said he also asked Mr. Sullivan about the Building Inspector's role in their regulations and he was advised that the builder does the testing and sends a report to the Building Inspector for review and filing. Minutes submitted by Tad Putney.

Drew Kellner		Eddie Arnold	
Brendan Denehy		Dana Ketchen	
	Steve Russo		