SELECTMEN'S MEETING – December 19, 2011

Present: Richard Bielefield, Margo Connors, John Strasser

Jennifer Gaudette

Guests: Chief David Wentworth, Chief Allan Clark

Correspondence was read and acted upon.

The Selectmen will not meet on December 26, 2011.

The board will meet with the Franconia and Easton Select boards on January 9^{th} to discuss transfer station and recreation budgets at 4:00 pm.

The Sugar Hill Northern Pass Advisory Committee will meet on December 30, 2011 at 4:00 PM at the Crapo Building.

The Select board signed the 2011 DRA equalization survey certification.

The Select board signed the necessary paperwork to have the Crapo Building Fire Alarm system monitored by the Grafton County Sheriff's Department at no charge to the Town.

CHIEF ALLAN CLARK presented the Select board with the 2012 fire department budget and reviewed the final standing on the 2011 budget. The 2011 budget should come in under and the 2012 budget shows a 5% increase over last year. The department is looking to install additional hydrants in fire ponds at four locations. The Federal Grant monies that would have been used in Article 10 last year were not made available this year and the article for additional 4" hose will be requested again in 2012. Chief Clark has met with Tirey & Associates in regard to an insulating plan for the roof at the Fire station. The roof cost approximately \$15,000 will come out of the FD Building Capital Reserve Fund in 2012. The new fire truck has an anticipated delivery of May 2012. The town will be receiving some addition funding from FEMA do to the recent road wash outs that occurred from Hurricane Irene. Chief Clark and Road Agent Glover worked together to submit the information.

The Selectmen opened the public hearing for the Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan at 6:30 PM. Chief Clark presented the completed plan and general discussion with the board followed. It was agreed that the Town Engineer should draw up a plan showing all the culverts in Town that need replacement. In addition the dredging of Gale River was discussed. MR. BIELEFIELD made a motion to accept the 2011 Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan, seconded by MR. STRASSER. The motion was approved unanimously.

MR. STRASSER made a motion to accept the minutes of December 12, 2011 seconded by MR. BIELEFIELD, the motion was approved unanimously.

The next regular scheduled meeting will be on Monday, January 2, 2012 at the Carolina Crapo Building at 5:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer P. Gaudette Administrative Assistant