## **SELECTMEN'S MEETING – February 10, 2014**

## Present: Margo Connors, John Strasser, Richard Bielefield Jennifer Gaudette

Guests: None

Correspondence was read and acted upon.

## The board will not meet on Monday February 17, 2014. The Town Clerk and Tax Collector's Office will be closed as well.

The board received an estimate from PSNH for the removal of the 25 streetlights. The board requested to have the cost contained in our regular payments but the cost will need to be paid up front. The estimated removal cost is \$4,800 and the expected yearly savings will be \$3,651. The board will add to the streetlight cost for this year and anticipate the work to be completed early so that the savings can begin.

The board reduced the Planning Board Budget to \$2,000 and the Conservation Commission Budget to \$500.

The board received quote for a wood pellet boiler for the Crapo Building. After discussion and review it was agreed that the Crapo Building should have an energy audit completed. Margo will contact Shad Lawton from Whitney's to get a cost for the audit. The board is waiting on a cost from Presby Energy to replace the boiler as well.

The Select Board discussed reducing the Conservation Commission from 7 to 5 members. Jennifer will contact NHMA to verify how this would be done.

The Select Board will ask Attorney Waugh to write two Warrant Articles in regard to a legal fund for Northern Pass. One fund will be for Town money only and will be non-lapsing. The second fund will be a trust fund for monies from private individuals and other towns to donate to for the same use. The board agreed to place \$1,000 in the Warrant Article for the Budget Hearing.

The board received an inquiry from Holly Hayward in regard to having a nature walk on the property next to the Fire Station. Holly would be willing to plant and maintain the walk. Margo will follow up with Holly on the exact location and area she is asking about.

MS. CONNORS made a motion to approve the minutes of February 3, 1014, seconded by MR. BIELEFIELD. The motion passed unanimously.

With no more business and no appointments before the Board, MR. BIELEFIELD made a motion to adjourn; seconded by MR. STRASSER the meeting was adjourned at 6:30PM and the board moved downstairs for the Budget Hearing. The next regular scheduled meeting will be on Monday February 24, 2014 at the Carolina Crapo Building at 6:00PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer P. Gaudette Administrative Assistant