

SELECTMEN'S MEETING – December 17, 2012

Present: John Strasser, Dick Bielefield, Margo Connors
Jennifer Gaudette

Guests: Chief David Wentworth, Road Agent Doug Glover, Fire Chief Allan Clark

Correspondence was read and acted upon.

CHIEF WENTWORTH met with the board to present his preliminary 2013 budget. The PD will be under budget for 2012 and Chief Wentworth hopes to add the Administrative Assistant Position and still keep his budget with a 1% increase. The Police Department will be buying a new vehicle in 2013 from the Capital Reserve Fund.

ROAD AGENT GLOVER met with the board to discuss Highway Department business and to submit his preliminary 2013 budget. Mr. Glover noted that there is funding left in his budget and the Warrant Article for Sunset Hill Road was also under budget. The State Highway Block figures show a considerable drop in funding for the next year. Mr. Glover is very pleased with the work being done by the Highway Committee. There will be a public meeting for the committee to present their findings to interested residents sometime in January 2013.

FIRE CHIEF ALLAN CLARK met with the board to update them on Fire Department business and to present his preliminary 2013 budget. Chief Clark reported on the fire that occurred today on Crane Hill Road and gave the board copies of a press release about the fire. Chief Clark is working on multiple grants; reimbursement for FF II from the State of NH; \$20,000 for additional hose with 19,000 from a Federal grant that will be funded in 2013; and a grant for forestry uniforms that will be a 50-50 split out of the operating budget. Chief Clark discussed the funding of his Capital Reserve Funds for future expenditures. He would like \$50,000 for the apparatus CRF and the building CRF can be dropped to \$5,000 this year. The building maintenance is almost complete and Chief Clark feels that the new insulation etc. will pay dividends with fuel consumption immediately. The 2012 budget will come in under and the 2013 will have an increase of \$625. Chief Clark also noted that there may be Hazardous Mitigation Funds for roadwork available to the Town.

The Select Board received a donation from the Pine Hill Singers for the use of the building.

The Select board will not meet on December 24th and December 31st. The board will meet on December 27th at 2:00 PM.

The Town Offices will be closed on December 25, 2012 and January 1, 2013.

MR. BIELEFIELD made a motion to approve the public and non public minutes of December 10, 2012, seconded by MR. STRASSER. The motion passed unanimously.

With no more business and no appointments before the Board, MR. BIELEFIELD made a motion to adjourn; seconded by MS. CONNORS the meeting was adjourned at 6:45 PM. The next regular scheduled meeting will be on Thursday, December 27, 2012 at the Carolina Crapo Building at 2:00PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer P. Gaudette
Administrative Assistant