

Minutes

Albany NH Selectmen's Meeting

December 15, 2010

At 3:00 p.m., the Selectmen's meeting was called to order. In attendance were Jack Rose, Sara Young-Knox and Joe Ferris. Bob Babine joined the meeting at 3:40 p.m. The following business was conducted.

Regular Business:

- Reviewed & approved December 8 minutes-Jack made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted, Joe seconded the motion and all were in favor.
- Signed checks totaling \$271,104.27.
- Reviewed & approved one pistol permit
- Tabled the sign violation letters to World Fellowship and Chocorua, LLC.
- Reviewed & signed summary of material modifications for Flex Benefit Plan.
- Reviewed Sales Ratio Survey submitted to Department of Revenue.
- Reviewed letter from NHDOT regarding Scenic Byways letter of intent.
- Reviewed update e-mail from June Garneau regarding Multi-Hazard Mitigation/Community Wildfire Protection Plans.

Old Business:

The AA informed the Board that town counsel, Jae Whitelaw, will prepare a letter of violation to Jon Munroe by the end of the week. She will also draft the petition for the Hardy Family Trust violations.

The AA informed the Board she received attendance confirmation from Conway Chief Ed Wagner, Freedom Chief Josh Shackford and Tamworth Chief Daniel Poirier to be part of the local law enforcement panel. Sergeant Michael Santuccio of Carroll County Sheriff Department and Sergeant Kevin Duffy have also said they would be a part of the panel. The AA left a message for Ossipee Chief Donald Grow and Madison Chief James Mullen. A date of Tuesday, January 11 or Tuesday, January 18 at 7:00 p.m. has been set depending on the availability of the law enforcement agents. This meeting will be set up for law enforcement and local citizens to attend and discuss and brainstorm solutions to recurring crimes in our towns and the possibility of setting up neighborhood watches.

Miscellaneous:

Jack would like a letter of appreciation drafted to Kathy Carrier for creating such a successful Albany Christmas party. He added it was a smashing success. Jack would like another letter of appreciation drafted to Sutt Marshall for the use of his sleigh.

Bob Babine:

Jack told Bob the Selectmen are interested in the possibility of hiring a code enforcement officer on a per diem basis. Duties would include the issuance of driveway and building permits and the inspection of such. Jack noted however, the town is not responsible for the enforcement of the state building codes for one and two family residential dwellings. Bob thought it was possible that the town could be liable as fees are received for building permits. He added he has sat in on numerous court hearings where the town has lost their suit. Bob said the town should have a building inspector to enforce the town's ordinances. The first step would be to have it approved at the next town meeting.

Joe asked Bob if he inspects plumbing and electric also. Bob said yes. Joe asked Bob if he has licenses in both of these areas. Bob replied no, it was not required in order to be an inspector but he did have them at one time in Massachusetts. Bob told the Board he worked in Conway for seven and a half years starting in 1986. He has been in Madison for 12 years and also works for the town of Freedom. Bob added he has 22 years experience as a code enforcement officer/building inspector. Joe asked Bob how his income is facilitated. Bob replied by the hour. Joe asked if this fee could be incorporated into the permit fee. Bob replied in the other towns, he turns his hours in then he is paid in addition to the town adding him to their liability insurance policy. Bob went on to say the building permit fees could be raised in order to cover his fees and insurance. Bob's fees are \$25.00 per hour to start plus mileage. The Board thanked Bob for coming in and would like to interview other prospects.

Jack suggested calling Eaton and Tamworth to see who they use for inspectors and interview them. Joe said he would research other inspectors also.

At 4:12 p.m., Jack made a motion to adjourn, Sara seconded the motion and all were in favor.

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SYK____
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Respectfully Submitted,

Kathleen Vizard
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