## **Minutes** Albany NH Selectmen's Meeting January 2, 2013

At 3:30 p.m., the Selectmen's meeting was called to order. In attendance were Joe Ferris, Jack Rose and Sara Young-Knox. Also present were Lee Grant and June Johnson. The following business was conducted.

## **Regular Business:**

- Reviewed & approved December 19 minutes-Jack made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted, Sara seconded the motion and all were in favor.
- Signed checks totaling \$10,944.37.
- Reviewed & approved one timber intent.
- Reviewed letters from New Hampshire Municipal Association & Local Government Center.
- Reviewed bid from A. Jay VanDyne-Joe suggested constructing a wall in the Selectmen's office where the counter currently is, adding a service window rather than cutting a hole in the side wall. Sara liked that suggestion and added that two of the three office windows would remain in the public way. The AA noted the project will now have to wait for town meeting approval in March.
- Reviewed request for appeal-Sara made a motion to have Jae Whitelaw, town counsel, review the appeal and give her opinion.

## **Miscellaneous:**

Jack left the meeting at 3:35 p.m.

Joe noted he thinks Nancy Drew has moved from the camper on her property into the house. Peter Carboni has approved the occupancy of the house.

Lee Grant would like to see more people interested and attending the Selectmen's meeting. It would be in the Board's best interest as it may avoid the possibility of a he said, she said situation when decisions are being made by the Selectmen. He would like the Board to reach out to members of the public to accomplish this.

Sara would like to begin the budget process. Joe thought the Board was waiting for the advisory committee to submit their opinion. June Johnson, a member of the advisory committee told the Board one meeting was held where they reviewed three years of budgets. They are comparing pay scales of all the different employee positions with surrounding towns. Sara would like the budget meetings to be scheduled in the morning like last year. Joe agreed.

At 4:30 p.m., Joe made a motion to adjourn, Sara seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathleen Vizard Administrative Assistant