

SELECTMEN'S MEETING – January 9, 2012

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

Guests: Road Agent Douglas Glover

Correspondence was read and acted upon.

The board met today with the Franconia and Easton Select boards and reviewed the 2011 expenditures and the 2012 budgets for the transfer station and recreation department.

DOUG GLOVER met with the Board to update them on highway department business and to review his 2011 expenditures and 2012 budget. The Board and Mr. Glover discussed the rising cost of diesel fuel and the impact on his budget. Among the costs added for 2012 will be a line item for tree removal and the cost for pumping & dumping of waste water from the Town garage as mandated by the State. Mr. Glover is currently working out logistics. In addition the State Highway Block Grant money is down this year approximately \$10,000. Mr. Glover also met with the DES Director Gallagher, two DES river specialist and Andy Tuthill from the Corps of Engineers to discuss the Gale River Water Bars. Both groups will work on a future plan that could remedy the situation. Until then, Mr. Glover can call and get same day permission from DES to work in the river if an ice jam occurs.

MR. STRASSER updated the board on an estimate given by North Country Council for assisting with the Master Plan. More details will come at the next Planning Board meeting. The current Master Plan was done in 1993. It was agreed that the cost would be on a Warrant Article and not part of the Planning Board budget.

Chief Clark submitted plans from Tirey Associates for the roof work at the Fire Station. He will get the plans out for bids.

MR. BIELEFIELD made a motion to appoint William Pinney to complete the 2011 audit with Ralph Brigida, seconded by MR. STRASSER. The motion was approved unanimously.

The Board discussed the North Pass Ordinance review that was completed by Attorney Waugh. The board will share Attorney Waugh's opinion with the advisory group.

MR. BIELEFIELD made a motion to accept the minutes of January 2, 2012 seconded by MS. CONNORS, the motion was approved unanimously.

The next regular scheduled meeting will be on Monday, January 23, 2012 at the Carolina Crapo Building at 6:00 PM to be followed by an informational meeting about the removal and repair of the sidewalk on Sunset Hill Road at 6:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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