

**Selectmen's Meeting Minutes**  
**Tuesday, December 8, 2015**

Present: Chairman Krieger, Selectman Ives and Selectman Maxfield.  
Also present was Fire Chief Rick Wright and Police Sergeant Kris Burgess.

Chairman Krieger called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

- I. Selectman Ives moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, December 1, 2015 as written. Seconded by Selectman Maxfield. All in favor. Motion carried.
  
- II. The Board met with Chief Rick Wright.
  - a. Chief Wright submitted memo's regarding issues the Code Enforcement Office has been working on. Chairman Krieger explained that the first was an update regarding the sapping operation on Lower Ridge Road, the second is in regard to issues with a shelter and light on Berry Road and the third is a boundary dispute on Wales Bridge Road.
  - b. Chief Wright said a meeting has been scheduled for Tuesday, December 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:45pm to discuss the gift of a fire engine. Chief Wright explained that Jeff Jenkins has offered to donate the engine to the town. Chief Wright gave the Board a "Donation and Transfer of Ownership" letter for their review. Mr. Jenkins will attend the meeting on December 15<sup>th</sup>. Selectman Maxfield asked if this is the first fire truck the town owned. Chief Wright clarified that it is the first factory built fire truck the town owned. Chief Wright said the Jenkins family bought it at auction in 1973 with the idea that it would get back to the town. Selectman Ives said it is very generous of them to donate it to the town.
  - c. Chief Wright explained that they have looked into grant money from the Assistance to Fire Fighters, a grant program from FEMA. He said this program allows Fire Departments and other emergency service organizations to apply for grant money. Chief Wright said with the Selectmen's support they would like to apply for money from this program. Chief Wright said they would like to apply for extrication equipment and upgrade the HVAC system at station 2.
  - d. Chief Wright said they received six applications for the soon to be available full-time position. Discussion ensued about who would interview the candidates. It was decided that Chief Wright, Deputy Lake, Selectman Ives and a volunteer member of the department would sit in on the interviews.
  - e. Chief Wright said he spoke to Dominic at NH Volunteer and Faith Stevens regarding the CERT Team. He said he spoke to them as well as the Chichester Fire Chief about a joint Loudon-Chichester CERT Team. They will be meeting to discuss it further. Chairman Krieger asked that the town insurance company be contacted to be sure the team is covered whether they are in Chichester or Loudon.
  - f. Chief Wright explained that he and Deputy Lake attended the Loudon Agricultural Commission meeting last week. They had a discussion about how the Agricultural Commission can help local farms.
  - g. Selectman Ives said there is an election coming up and the Supervisors of the Checklist are concerned about whether the town hall is big enough to handle the

crowds. He asked if Station 1 be used for the election if necessary. Selectman Ives asked Chief Wright to think about it.

- h. Selectman Ives read an invitation to the employees of the town of Loudon. He explained that every year the Fire Department puts on a breakfast for the town employees on Christmas Eve morning.
- i. Selectman Maxfield stated that he saw the old cruiser with its new red paint job and said it looks good. Chief Wright said it is running good.

III. The Board met with Sergeant Kristoffer Burgess.

- a. Sergeant Burgess thanked Chief Wright for having him over for Thanksgiving when he was on duty.
- b. Sergeant Burgess said Eastern Propane repaired their furnace on Friday.
- c. Sergeant Burgess said they had the overhead door in the garage repaired.
- d. Sergeant Burgess said they received a couple of quotes for new carpet/vinyl tile at the Station. Chairman Krieger said they will review the quotes and talk about them next week.
- e. The Board reviewed and signed pistol permits.
- f. Sergeant Burgess said Officer Martel is going to Concord PD to see their evidence system. Sergeant Burgess explained they seem to have a great, relatively cost effective system and Loudon might be able to utilize something like it.
- g. Selectman Ives commended the police department. He explained that he called them the other night because he heard shots down the road from him. Selectman Ives said Officer Martel answered the phone; a few minutes later the bank robbery happened. Officer Martel called after the incident at the bank to apologize for not getting right up there. Selectman Ives said he fully understood; the bank robbery was the priority and he appreciated the fact that Officer Martel took the time to call him back afterwards.

IV. Selectman Ives moved to go into nonpublic session per RSA 91-A: 3, II (a) at 6:21 PM.; seconded by Selectman Maxfield. Roll call vote: Krieger – yes; Ives – yes; Maxfield – yes. All in favor. Motion carries. Selectman Ives moved to come out of non-public session at 6:37 PM.; seconded by Selectman Maxfield. Roll call vote: Krieger – yes; Ives – yes; Maxfield – yes. All in favor. Motion carries. Selectman Ives made a motion to seal the minutes for five years because it is determined that divulgence of this information likely would affect adversely the reputation of any person other than a member of this board. Seconded by Selectman Maxfield. All in favor. Roll call vote: Krieger – yes; Ives – yes; Maxfield – yes. Motion carries.

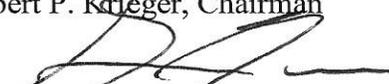
V. Chairman Krieger recognized Kathy Whedon from Greenview Drive. Ms. Whedon said she looked back at the minutes from the meeting the Selectmen had with Bryan Christensen from Comcast back in February of 2014. She said he said there could be a mechanism put in the franchise agreement that said something like if you have ten-fifteen people willing to sign up for service Comcast will install it. Ms. Whedon said she did that and he doesn't have the authority. Ms. Whedon said she has done everything they have asked and then some. She said the agreement the town is operating under now is for 20 houses per aerial mile and 25 per underground. Ms. Whedon said with the new house being built up there they should be in that range. She said the new agreement has the 25

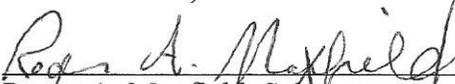
pped to 40 houses. Ms. Whedon asked the Selectmen why they can't say everybody in town gets cable or we don't sign the agreement. Chairman Krieger said he will discuss that change with Attorney Miller. He also said Attorney Miller said they can't push too much because that is a private road. Ms. Whedon said that the town has never sent a tax bill to Comcast, she said Bryan seemed to think a tax bill from a town our size would be about \$10,000 per year. Ms Whedon suggested that in lieu of the money they haven't paid they could do the infrastructure to the places that need it. Selectman Maxfield said he spoke to Bryan Christensen who said there are 75 houses in town without cable. George Hunton from Currier Road explained that they are in the same situation; they don't have the conduit. He explained that his neighbor paid \$6,000 to get it. Discussion ensued about the 40 houses per underground mile. Chairman Krieger will contact Attorney Miller to get clarification regarding that number being increased from 25. Ms. Whedon explained that it became apparent that they weren't going to be able to get this so she started working with Carol Miller, Director of Broadband Technology from the Division of Economic Development. Selectman Ives explained that they had intended to sign the agreement tonight but they are going to put it on hold for awhile longer.

- VI. The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.
- a. The Board received a letter from the Department of Labor stating that there are no outstanding violations and the Safety inspection audit is complete.
  - b. The Board received the November 2015 Property Transfers.
  - c. The Board received and invite to the employees Annual Christmas Breakfast from the Fire Dept.
  - d. The Board received that Maxfield Library Trustee's Meeting Minutes for November, 2015
  - e. The Board received the Agriculture Commission September 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting Minutes.
  - f. The Board received the Agriculture Commission November 5<sup>th</sup> Meeting Minutes.
  - g. The Board received miscellaneous correspondence
- VII. The Board received the following reminder.
- a. Thursday, December 10<sup>th</sup> at 6pm is a meeting with School Board.
- VIII. Selectman Maxfield moved to adjourn at 7:20 PM. Seconded by Selectman Ives. All in favor. Motion carried.

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Steven R. Ives, Selectman

  
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Roger A. Maxfield, Selectman