

SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2010

Present: Selectmen Maxfield, Ives, and Bowles. Also present Fire Chief Jeff Burr and Deputy Fire Chief Rich Edgecomb.

Chairman Maxfield called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

- I. Selectman Bowles moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, December 7, 2010 as presented. Second by Selectman Ives. All in favor. Motion carried.
- II. Selectman Ives moved to approve the Selectmen's Budget Review Minutes of Friday, December 10, 2010 as written. Second by Selectman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried.
- III. Chairman Maxfield noted for the record the Board of Permit portion of the meeting has been cancelled, as there were no items for the agenda this month. He also noted for the record two pistol permits were signed for approval and the Board was in receipt of a letter from Bruce Yeaton. Mr. Yeaton also provided letters to be delivered to the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Adjustment.
- IV. The Board met with Fire Chief Jeff Burr.
 - a. Selectman Ives discussed the annual fire department compensation and advised Chief Burr he has received a number of telephone complaints regarding the process. Chief Burr explained the way the compensation is calculated and said some members did not qualify for compensation when they had in the past. He said the Committee decides on the method used in the calculations and the members had an opportunity to review the numbers before the final list was submitted. He said work commitments and educational classes are considered when the committee meets to review the data. Selectman Ives questioned the method used in the calculations. Selectman Bowles asked Chief Burr to provide the calculations for the past and current years and the criteria for qualifying for compensation so the Selectmen can review it. Selectman Ives told Chief Burr when it comes to money, the standards set for qualifying for the compensation must be adhered to. Exceptions can't be made for other considerations.
- V. The Board began their review of correspondence.
 - a. The Board noted receipt of the Transportation Improvement Program for 2013 to 2022 from Central NH Regional Planning Commission.
 - b. The Board received a letter from Michael Harris regarding scheduling of assessment personnel and abatement application request. Contract Assessor David Wiley has been provided a copy of this letter as well.
 - c. The Board received a request to name a new alternate to the Agricultural Commission. This will be taken under advisement at this time.
 - d. The Board received a proposal from Cartographic Associates Inc. to produce the town's tax maps in digital format.

- e. The Board received the State Education Tax Warrant for 2011 in the amount of \$1,276,474.
- f. The Board reviewed an email from Judy Houston of The Louis Berger Group regarding the landfill post closure inspection for 2010.
- g. The Board noted receipt of a scholarship thank you note.
- h. The Board reviewed compliance reports from Environmental Soils Management for the months of October and November.
- i. The Board was provided the budget hearing dates for Merrimack Valley School District for review. The Selectmen will hold their first budget hearing on Tuesday, January 18th at 7:00 P.M.
- j. The Board received a request from NH Sno Shakers Snowmobile Club to obtain the tax map format that they can use in an overlay for their trail maps. Mrs. Lee will contact Cartographic Associates to verify the format used and what it would entail to provide this program to the snowmobile club.
- k. The Board received an abutter letter for the Decato property special exception application for the Zoning Board of Adjustment.
- l. The Board received the annual dues assessment from NH Municipal Association.
- m. The Board discussed cancelling the Selectmen's meeting on December 28. It was agreed to cancel the meeting.

Selectman Ives moved to adjourn at 7:01 P.M. Second by Selectman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried.

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Roger A. Maxfield, *Chairman*

Steven R. Ives, Selectman

Dustin J. Bowles, Selectman