

**MINUTES
FRANCONIA BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING**

Monday, April 1, 2013

A meeting of the Franconia Board of Selectmen was held at 3:00 pm on Monday, April 1, 2013 at the Franconia Town Hall. Regular members in attendance were John Lachapelle, Ted Hoyle, Bob Montagno, Sally Small and Suzy MacDonald.

Guests of the Board- Deb Maes, Chief John Monaghan, Ray Whitney - Asplundh

Also –

Ted Hoyle called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm.

SELECTMEN'S TIME:

BOS Minutes 3/25/2013: Formal readings of the March 25, 2013 BOS meeting minutes were waived. The minutes of March 25, 2013 were approved.

FOR CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL:

Transaction List for 4/04/13 - The Board reviewed and signed the checks and transaction list for 4/04/13.

Driveway Permit – Aaron – Map 4/Lot 11-3 – Summit Drive –A Driveway Permit for Aaron, Map 4/Lot 11-3 Summit Drive was reviewed and signed by the Select Board.

Building Permit – Aaron – Map 4/Lot 11-3 Summit Drive – A Building Permit for Aaron, Map 4/Lot 11-3 Summit Drive was reviewed and signed by the Select Board.

Application for Tax Exemption (BTLA Forms A-9&A-12) – An Application for Tax Exemption for the Catholic Church was reviewed and signed by the Select Board.

Conservation Commission Appointments – Appointments for the Conservation Commission were reviewed and signed by the Select Board.

Recreation Committee Appointments – Appointments for the Recreation Committee were reviewed and signed by the Select Board.

Building Code Inspector Appointment –An appointment, appointing Allen Clark of Sugar Hill Building Code Inspector, was reviewed and signed by the Select Board.

Emergency Operations Plan Memo of Understanding was reviewed and signed by the Select Board.

APPOINTMENTS:

3:00 – Deb Maes – A question was placed on the Ballot at Town Meeting asking if the townspeople were in favor of moving forward on the Safety Services Building. The consensus, from the vote and speaking with the three Chiefs is to stay together and to move forward looking at the current location for repairs or

a rebuild. The Select Board is asking Deb to help us find our way and to make this work. There is a lot of history on this project which Deb has been given.

The Select Board would like for all to keep in mind this is about Town needs, not wants. It's time to start planning ahead and moving forward.

The first order of business will be to see if the current site can be expanded upon. Is the current building sound or not? These questions will be answered before the committee is formed and starts to meet.

After some discussion, Deb is willing to take on this project. She expects that talking with wetlands and a building inspection could take several weeks. Bob is also looking for past plans – possibly 3 different sets. The committee should have no more than 9 people which would include the three Chiefs, a Select Board representative and a representative from the Energy Commission. Deb will be paid for mileage plus \$100 for expenses, which will be billed at the end of the study.

3:30 – John Monaghan – PD 1st Q Budget Review – The 1st Q Budget for 2013 was reviewed between Chief Monaghan and the Select Board.

Chief Monaghan has a few minor things to do in relation to the DOL audit which was just done.

4:00 – Ray Whitney – Asplundh – Some tree work for PSNH is being done by Asplundh. Trees alongside power lines and under power lines will be cut on 4 pieces of Town owned property. Three properties are in the area of the Safety Services Building and the other is at the Stone Furnace. At the Stone Furnace there is a bigger tree and more extensive ground cut. Ray will mark the bigger trees with a green ribbon so we can see what will be cut. The Select Board will look at what will be cut but they see no problem as this is routine maintenance.

TO DISCUSS/REVIEW:

CIP Committee Members were discussed and appoints will be ready for next week.

Septic Design – TTW, LLC – M14/L79 & 80 was reviewed and will be sent to the State of NH for their approval.

Roof & Steps Ads were reviewed. Bob Montagno will look at further and will rework both ads.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION:

LRH Director of Development

Selectman Hoyle adjourned the meeting at 4:23 pm

Respectfully submitted, Suzanne MacDonald, Executive Secretary