

**MINUTES
FRANCONIA BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING**

Monday, April 23, 2012

A meeting of the Franconia Board of Selectmen was held at 3:00 pm on Monday, April 23, 2012 at the Franconia Town Hall. Regular members in attendance were, John Lachapelle, Rollie Barnaby, Ted Hoyle and Suzy MacDonald.

Guests of the Board –Scott Leslie

Also: Jack Kennedy

John Lachapelle called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm.

SELECTMEN'S TIME:

BOS Minutes 04/16/2012: Formal readings of the April 16, 2012 BOS meeting minutes were waived. The minutes of April 16, 2012 were approved as written.

FOR CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL:

Checks and Transaction List for 04/26/12 - The Board reviewed and signed the checks and transaction list for 04/26/12.

Forest Fire Report Bill (2) – The Board reviewed and signed two Forest File Report Bills.

Vacation Requests (3) – **Sally Small** – The Board reviewed and signed three vacation requests for Sally Small. Suzy will not be on vacation then and is expected to be here.

APPOINTMENTS:

3:00 – Jeff Phillips – Jeff will be rescheduled as he was not at work today.

3:15 – Scott Leslie 1st Q Budget Review – B&G, HW, Cemetery, Parks – Discussed with Scott the Highway, Building & Grounds, Cemetery and Parks Budgets. Uniforms were again discussed and The Select Board is going to research what the Transfer Station does with their uniform line item.

Scott spoke of the poor condition of Sunset Lane. The Select Board will go and physically look at the road after today's meeting. Scott will get a quote to have some work done on the road.

Scott also discussed the gravel pit on Sunset Road. In speaking with a local contractor he was told that provided testing came out good up to 8000 yards of gravel could be taken from that pit and used for Town purposes.

The Park and the Cemetery budgets were reviewed and discussed. In the future it may be a benefit to have Kim also present when discussing the Park Budget.

The Building and Grounds budget, along with the Highway Budget need to be more realistic in terms of actual numbers. Sally will work with Scott to achieve this.

The Select Board reviewed with Scott the quotes for Wallace Hill Paving. The money has been set aside and this will be verified with Sally when she returns from vacation.

Gene Young has been awarded the Roofs for the Mittersill Fire Station and the right side of the Town Hall.

The new representatives for North Country Councils Transportation Advisory Committee will be Scott Leslie and Ted Hoyle.

Performance Appraisals were given to Scott and reviewed with him. They are due back by December 1, 2012. Also discussed was the "bonus" system to go along with the Performance Appraisals.

John would like to see parking lines put into the Town Hall parking lot.

Only one local contractor has shown any interest in bidding on the front steps although a bid has not yet been received. Suzy will run an ad in The Caledonian Record on the next available Wednesday.

Scott would like to purchase some safety road signs as the Highway Department has very few roadside signs. He can order a sign package. Scott is asked to get an estimate on replacing missing STOP signs. It seems there should be a training/workshop line in every budget.

The tanker truck is now at the Highway Department. The registration is missing and will need to be replaced.

TO DISCUSS/REVIEW:

Regarding the property at 258 Old County Road; John has sent a packet to the Towns Attorney for review.

The minutes from the Annual Meeting were distributed. John will be contacting the Town Attorney regarding Article 12, Franconia Children's Center now that meeting minutes are available.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION:

Meeting regarding the Mittersill Fire Station 4/24/2012 @ 3:00pm

LGC – Community Planning Grant Program Writing 5/3/2012 1pm-3pm

Selectman Lachapelle adjourned the meeting at 4:19 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Suzanne MacDonald, Executive Secretary