

**FRANCONIA BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, January 19, 2017**

A meeting of the Franconia Board of Selectmen was held at 3:00 pm on Thursday, January 19, 2017 at the Franconia Town Hall. Regular members in attendance were Bernie Costa, John Lachapelle, Eric Meth and Holly Burbank.

Other Guests: Russ Cumbee, Lydia Cumbee, Peter Grote, Mary Grote

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| Discussion/Review |
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The Board met to review and discuss the request for donations submitted by 17 various charitable organizations.

There are three organizations that have requested money in past years that have been line items in the overall budget. The Board discussed whether or not they wanted to keep them as line items, or have them as a warrant article. After a brief discussion, it was decided to keep the Franconia Notch Chamber of Commerce, North Country Council and Tri-County CAP requests as line items.

The Board next reviewed the remaining requests. After a discussion regarding combining all requests into one article as last year, or having them as separate warrant articles, it was unanimously decided that each request should be a separate warrant article.

The Board also decided that those requests without the proper Request for Donation Application must submit a petition in order to be included on the warrant. The Board asked Town Administrator Burbank to call those organizations to let them know they will need to petition in order to get on warrant. February 7th is the last day to petition the Select board to include an article in the warrant, per NH State RSA 39:3.

The Board asked Town Administrator, Holly Burbank to let Town Moderator, Bill Mead know that each of the charitable organizations would be separate warrant articles, so that he can prepare for a longer than anticipated meeting.

With no further discussion regarding the charitable organization requests, Town Administrator Burbank advised the Board that she would be attending training on the

Tax Rate Setting System at the Department of Revenue Administration on Tuesday, January 24th at 10:00am.

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| PUBLIC INPUT |
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Lydia Cumbee - asked if one of the charitable organizations did not have an application, would they have to submit a petitioned article.

Russ Cumbee - stated that all of the charitable organizations should be held to the same standard.

With no further public input, the Board voted to enter non-public session at 4:00pm.

The Board came out of non-public session at 4:14pm, and with no further discussion, the Board adjourned on a unanimous voice vote at 4:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Holly Burbank
Town Administrator