

**MINUTES
FRANCONIA BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING**

Tuesday, February 18, 2014

A meeting of the Franconia Board of Selectmen was held at 4:00 pm on Tuesday, February 18, 2014 at the Franconia Town Hall. Regular members in attendance were Ted Hoyle, John Lachapelle, Bob Montagno, Sally Small and Suzy MacDonald

Guests of the Board – Trevor & Thad Presby

Also attending: A reporter with The Courier

Ted Hoyle called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm.

SELECTMEN'S TIME:

BOS Minutes 2/3/2014: Formal readings of the February 3, 2014 BOS meeting minutes were waived. The minutes of February 3, 2014 were approved.

FOR CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL:

Transaction List for 2/20/14 - The Board reviewed and signed the transaction list for 2/20/14.

2014 Warrant (3) – The Select Board reviewed and signed three copies of the 2014 Warrant to be posted.

MS-636 (3) – The Select Board reviewed and signed three copies of the MS 636 to be posted.

Arbogast Energy – Safety Services Changes - It has been recommended that some improvement be made with the heating ducts at the Safety Services Building. The Board approves spending \$550 for this. It is an item that can be moved should construction of a new building happen.

Regarding the Stantec/P & R Issues – John Lachapelle made a motion, which was seconded by Ted Hoyle, based on the advice of the Town's Attorney to accept the P & R Lawsuit Mediation Proposal as a full and final settlement in the amount of \$80,000, \$65,000 being the Town of Franconia's portion. The motion passed unanimously.

APPOINTMENTS:

4:00 – Trevor and Thad Presby – Gas Station – The Presby's brought in a Building Permit that has been filled out. They are looking for approval of new tank/ pumps, a 10x10 building and a canopy over gas pumps. They have been in contact with Allan Clark and have received a letter addressing some items that will be needed to meet code. They are hoping to go with unbranded fuel. This will be a self service station which will be unmanned. They do plan on building a new building at a future date. They are not sure what will be housed in the building but the intention is to build in the same footprint. The building will be flatted during the pump/tank construction as it is beyond repair.

Thad has had an informal with the Planning Board and the Planning board waived the site plan review. The canopy did come into discussion. The Select Board will be the one to approve the Building Permit. The Presby's have also obtained all DES permits as well as shoreline permits. The Select Board is the last stop. The Select Board signed the Building Permit.

Presby's would like to have a loyalty system and create accounts. They will be able to monitor the station from their office.

TO DISCUSS/REVIEW:

Quarterly Budgets – The Select Board would like to review budgets by quarter. The Department Heads are asked to prepare budgets by quarter. They are asked to discuss their 2014 budget at the next department head meeting and we will review the new procedure for figuring each quarterly budget.

Cemetery Fees were adopted as written. The Select Board voted and all were in favor. New rates go into effect as of February 18, 2014.

Septic Permit – UGO Enterprises Inc – Map 19/Lot 10-17 Notchway Drive – A Septic Permit for UGO Enterprises Inc – Map 19/Lot 10-17 Norchway Drive was reviewed and will be sent to the State for their approval.

CALEX has sent a flier to residents offering a “membership” to guarantee transport by CALEX should the need arise to them. The Select Board would like to look further into this matter. They will invite CALEX to a meeting after Town Meeting. The Life squad should also be present at the meeting.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION:

NCC – New Transportation Programs

Selectman Hoyle adjourned the meeting at 4:50 pm

Respectfully submitted, Suzanne MacDonald, Executive Secretary