

Minutes of Selectmen's Meeting

15 January 2008

Members present: R. Stephen Leighton, Chairman, JoAnn Brown and Lynn Sweet.

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M.

After short discussion Board voted, unanimously, to appoint Kevin Lacroix as the Deputy Health Officer. He had been recommended by our Health Officer, Duncan Chaplin.

Reviewed notice for February Community Calendar pertaining to proposed Town Office building.

Discussed 2007 Article 23, pertaining to feasibility of implementing a "pay per bag" program at the Recycling Center/Transfer Station. Board noted the increase in people actively recycling and consequently the increase in the revenues from the same. The Board's appreciation of the work being done by both the Recycling Center employees and the townspeople was acknowledged.

Board also discussed the reduction in volume of tonnage and number of trips by Waste Management. Board will reduce this line item accordingly in the 2008 proposed budget..

Ben is still working on an updated estimate for the fencing work needed at the facility. He is also checking into purchase of some of the containers as opposed to continuing to rent them.

Loren Pierce and Paul Stover attended to present the proposed 2008 budget for Fire & Rescue. Last year's expenditures, along with areas of increase were discussed. Some of the increases are due to training and vehicle repairs. Articles for equipment & forest fire fighting equipment to be partially funded by grants were discussed. They are contingent on receipt of the grants. Re-allocation of the revenues received from ambulance services was discussed. The Board intends to create a "revolving fund". There will also be an article re-allocating 50% of the revenues received from ambulance services to go into the ambulance fund as they now do, and 50% to go into a "revolving fund" pursuant to 31:95 (h) to be used to help fund future ambulance services (i.e. position/wages/associated costs). New truck was discussed, no firm delivery date.

After review and consideration, a motion was made, seconded and voted to approve the minutes taken at the December 18th meeting of the Board.

Correspondence was read.

There being no further business before the Board, a motion was made, seconded and voted to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:40 P.M.