

Minutes of the Selectmen's Meeting 15 November 2011

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

The meeting was called to order at 5:57PM

In attendance: Chris Berry, Donald Coker, Clarinda Donle, and Paul Stover

Minutes from November 1, 2011 meeting were read and approved as written.

Items of correspondence were reviewed and signed as necessary and payment of bills was authorized.

Chris Berry asked whether Strafford has a road acceptance policy. The Selectmen responded that the Town does not have an "acceptance policy" as such; however there is a procedure for a road to be accepted by the Town. The road must, first of all, be built to Town specifications. The request for the acceptance is presented to the Selectmen by petition of 25 registered voters and then presented for an up or down vote at Town Meeting.

The Selectmen appointed Don Coker as an alternate member to the Planning Board. The current alternate member, Terry Hyland, will be asked to fill the vacancy left by Don Rhodes who is not able to complete his term on the board.

One resident pointed out that the Town beach was in need of cleanup. The Selectmen felt this might be an excellent community service opportunity for a Coe Brown student and are going to pursue that.

The Selectmen authorized Mr. Leighton to sign the lease agreement for the new ambulance on behalf of the Board of Selectmen. Paul Stover, Strafford Fire Chief, hopes to have it the week after Thanksgiving. Paul also reported on Fire Department operations. He feels they have adequate ambulance coverage during the day. They would like to purchase a generator and have postponed the driveway repair until the spring. The Selectmen asked Paul to have his budget prepared by December 12 and his job descriptions completed by the end of the year.

The Town offices will be closed Monday, December 26, 2011.

At this time a motion was made by R. Stephen Leighton and seconded by Lynn Sweet to enter into a non-public session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3 II (a). Roll call was taken as follows:

R Stephen Leighton – Aye, Lynn Sweet – Aye, JoAnn Brown – Aye.

The Board entered non-public session at 6:45 P.M.

A motion was made by R. Stephen Leighton to leave non-public session and seconded by Lynn Sweet to return to public session. Roll call was taken as follows:
R Stephen Leighton – Aye, Lynn Sweet – Aye, JoAnn Brown – Aye.

No votes were taken during non-public session.

Public session reconvened at 7:00 P.M.

There being no further business to be brought before the Board a motion was made, seconded, and voted to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:05.