

Town of Francestown

Board of Selectmen

Minutes of Meeting

Monday, December 18, 2017

Members present: Chairman Brad Howell, Abigail Arnold and Henry Kunhardt

Others present: Town Administrator Jamie A Pike, Public Assistance Administrator Thomas Anderson, Police Chief Fred Douglas

Chairman Howell called the meeting to order at 5:30pm.

A motion was made by Ms. Arnold and seconded by Mr. Howell to enter into a non-public session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, II(c) at 5:30pm. Howell, Aye; Arnold, Aye; Kunhardt, Aye. **Motion passes.**

A motion was made by Mr. Kunhardt and seconded by Mr. Howell to exit the non-public session at 6:25pm. Howell, Aye; Arnold, Aye; Kunhardt, Aye. **Motion passes.**

A motion was made by Ms. Arnold and seconded by Mr. Kunhardt to seal the minutes of the non-public session indefinitely, because it was determined that divulgence of the information likely would affect adversely the reputation of a person other than a member of this board and render a proposed action ineffective. Howell, Aye; Arnold, Aye; Kunhardt, Aye. **Motion passes.**

Chief Fred Douglas was present to speak about the newly amended legislative bill HB561. Mr. Pike provided a brief overview. This bill, as drafted, reduces the number of hours a retiree may work, for a member employer of NHRS, from 32 hours to 20 hours per week. If the employee works over 20 hours per week, the employee would not be eligible to receive their employer funded portion of their pension. Letters will be drafted to local legislatures regarding the bill.

Consent Agenda

- a. Check Manifest dated 12/19/2017
- b. Heritage Fund Donation Acceptance \$200
- c. Cap. Res. Fund Disbursement Request – Library Windows \$15,689
- d. Police Prosecutor 2018 Contract \$7,036

A motion was made by Mr. Kunhardt and seconded by Ms. Arnold to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. **Motion passes.**

A motion was made by Ms. Arnold and seconded by Mr. Kunhardt to approve the contract with Winn Mountain Restoration in the amount of \$1,020 and to further encumber remaining funds from the 2016 Warrant Article #17. **Motion passes.**

The Board signed an additional Manifest dated for 12/20/2017 in the amount of \$2,885.68.

Mr. Kunhardt stated that Jim Hennessy of Precision Temperature Control will be working on the Geo-thermal system at the Library to finish up some outstanding items. Mr. Hennessy was recommended by Doug Waite the mechanical engineer for the PD Renovations. The Board approved up to \$2,000 for this work.

Mr. Kunhardt provided an update to the Board regarding the PD renovations. The architect has requested an additional bid deadline to allow another contractor to bid on the project. The Board denied the request and will stay with December 28th.

The Board reviewed the recommended cuts from the proposed 2018 budget. No decisions were made.

Mr. Kunhardt stated that there is an environmental meeting scheduled with DOT for the SNBR Bridge project on Wednesday at 9:30am.

Ms. Arnold discussed the brush and limb cutting that is occurring on Old County Road North. She has received complaints about the appearance of the work. The remainder of the Board was asked to look at the work that has been completed.

Mr. Pike was asked to look into a price for a projector screen for the Town Hall for use at Town Meeting and other events.

At 8:30pm, Chairman Howell continued the meeting until Tuesday, December 19th at 3pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jamie A Pike

Approved 1/8/18

Brad Howell

Abigail Arnold

Henry Kunhardt