The Planning Board Town of Francestown, NH **Meeting Minutes** November 29, 2018

Karen Fitzgerald called the meeting to order at 6:30pm

Members Present: Karen Fitzgerald, Linda Kunhardt, Robert Lindgren, Betsy Hardwick, Selectmen Representative Abigail Arnold

Members Absent: Sarah Pyle, Lisa Stewart, Alternate Gerri Bernstein, Alternate Ruth Behrsing, Alternate Tom Anderson

In attendance: Judi Miller, Stewart Brock, John Thalhauser, Selectman Bard Howell, Chief Lawrence Kullgren, Deputy Chief Dave Hanlon, Lt. Colin Rogers, Captain Celeste Lunetta, Mike Beisang, Alana Samuelson, minutes clerk Kaela Law

Public discussion and review of CIP - Capital Improvement Program

Replace the fill tank for the SCBA. Grant received for SCBA, but not the fill tank. Current fill tank will not be compatible with the new packs. Radio replacements, support for the type of radios is coming to a close. Could be as much as \$200,000 to replace them all. Stewart Brock asked a question about how often the replacements for the air packs take place. Chief Kullgren answered the fire house is on about a 15 year rotation. Bottles purchased last year and the year before can be sold back to the suppliers or traded for equipment with another department. Will go through the proper channels. 30 Motorolla Radios were purchased in 2006 and all radios are still in service. They are making radios to become obsolete sooner to encourage turn-around and more purchases. Kenwood radios are being considered also. They are less expensive, however they have less sound quality and more static. John Thalhauser – how long does it take to fill a bottle and how much do they weigh? Could we possibly partner with a neighboring town and their cascade system? Chief Kullgren responded – We currently do not have a vehicle that holds the cascade system to fill the bottles and bring them back to town to fill the air packs. As a volunteer aspect, it is not logistically possible. The 1995 truck that will be replaced could be recycled within town to a different department, possibly the Highway Department. Recreation Department would like to build a storage shed at the ball fields. 16X24 shed, cost is for materials only and construction will be in house headed by Bub Roches. \$5000 from taxation and \$5000 from the recreation fund. Shed location is pending FIHS approval. Motion: (Kunhardt / Lindgren second) to accept the Capital Improvement Program as presented with a single line change item in the 2019 year to increase the fire and rescue line item from \$40,000 to \$45,000. **Vote**: (5-0-0) The motion carries.

Next meeting: December 4, 2018 Meeting Adjourned at 7:20pm