

**Minutes of Selectmen's Meeting, Town of Freedom, NH 03836  
Monday, September 9, 2013**

Present: Neal Boyle, Leslie Babb, Ernest Day, Jr., Selectmen; Road Agent Scott Brooks; Justin Brooks, Fire Chief; Karen Hatch, Town Administrator; and Arlene Knight.

Meeting opened at 6:30pm. Manifests were signed and general mail was reviewed.

Babb gave an update on the call to C.N. Brown for the town's heating and road fuels. Brown will be providing all fuels which work out to \$400 more for heating fuel but a saving of \$8,400 for the bio diesel.

Contract was signed to lock in fixed price of the biodiesel at \$3.429/gal; #2 heating oil at \$3.325 and midgrade gas will be \$.22 over Portland low rack price.

Custodian Mark McKinley met with the board to review the repair to the town hall ceiling over the stage area. After discussing several options Babb made a motion for the repair to be whole ceiling with blue board and plaster for \$2,885.00; Day seconded; so voted. Babb wanted to insure that this repair would indeed hold up the area that was failing.

Pat Hatfield from the Parks and Recreation Committee along with McKinley discussed ideas for the old tennis court and roller rink. Hatfield is looking at something for the elderly population. Several ideas were tossed around but in the end it was decided to poll the residents to see what they would want to see. Hatfield and McKinley will work up a short poll which will be sent out through the town's notifications email along with several other individual's email lists.

As there was not public comment Boyle asked for department head updates. Hatch was just asking where the cistern was at and Babb explained that they had rejected the bids received and had turned it over to the Road Agent and Fire Chief to coordinate.

Brooks reported that the new tank truck was back after being out for several recalls. He also reported that the call volume was way down not that it was after Labor Day. The Transfer Station is now on the winter hour schedule and is preparing for the winter months.

Babb asked if the town's rep Teddy had called AT&T yet about our equipment on the cell tower. Brooks will have Cunio check into this tomorrow. Day reported that the Fairpoint had installed their fiber optic cable.

Brooks also indicated that with the unforeseen repairs of other vehicles he would be requesting monies from the Capital Reserve Fund, but was uncertain how much and will wait until October/November to determine.

Boyle stated that the reported mess at 411 Eaton Road was being cleaned up under arrangements made by the owner.

Babb made a motion to enter non public at 7:48pm under RSA91-A:3 II(e) returned to open session at 8:40pm and meeting adjourned.

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Neal E. Boyle

Leslie R. Babb

Ernest F. Day, Jr.