

Minutes of Selectmen's Meeting, Town of Freedom, NH 03836
Monday, March 23, 2015

Present: Leslie Babb, Neal Boyle, Ernest Day, Jr. Selectmen; Karen Hatch, Town Adm.; several town residents.

Meeting called to order at 6:30pm, manifests were signed and mail was reviewed.

Babb asked for public comment and Art Robinson questioned the cistern that was on the agenda; Babb explained that this was just to encumber monies that had been encumbered in prior years but not spent yet.

Hatch asked if the mowing bid could be for three years instead of the one. Board agreed to three years. Hatch also mentioned the bidding to update the tax maps and the difficulty of housing the town's records if we need to acquire them back from Bergeron. This will be discussed at a future meeting.

A proposal had been received from Steeplejacks in Limerick to fix around the chimney and repair the inside damage at town hall caused by water damage. Babb made a motion to accept the proposal of \$2,118.00; seconded by Day, so voted.

A clerical correction was needed to re-encumber prior balances; motion was made by Babb to re-encumber for the Kidder Drive Cistern \$20,021.37 and the Danforth Bay Bridge \$15,389.75, seconded by Day; so voted.

The town's investment policy had not been readopted in 2014 and has to be done annually. Being there were no amendments, Babb made a motion to readopt the investment policy, Day seconded; so voted.

The board agreed that the draft purchasing policy was ready to be sent to department heads and committee chairs for their review. There will be a meeting on April 27th at Town Hall starting at 7pm to meet with the department heads and chairmen to address any questions, comments or proposed changes. The board will meet at the office first for mail and manifests.

Paul Elie did ask about a more cost effective way of getting information packets to the various board members. Hatch felt this would be up to the department heads on how they may want it handled and suggested that it be discussed at the April 27th meeting; board agreed.

A regional meeting is being scheduled for the signing of the ambulance contract; Babb asked that town council contact Atty. Sager for his review prior to them signing.

Boyle asked that the auditors come in and meet with the board. He had reviewed the most recent audit and they had offered to come in. Hatch will set up a date.

Babb made a motion at 7:35pm to enter non public under RSA 91A:3 II(a). Returned to open session at 7:45pm and meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,
Karen Hatch
Town Administrator

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Leslie R. Babb

Neal E. Boyle

Ernest F. Day, Jr.