

Minutes of Selectmen's Meeting, Town of Freedom, NH 03836
Monday, March 26, 2018

Present: Leslie R. Babb, Ernest F. Day, Jr., Alan G. Fall, Selectmen; Assistant Fire Chief Justin Brooks; Fire Chief Rob Cunio; Police Chief Josh Shackford; Karen Hatch, Town Adm.; Scott Brooks, Road Agent; and Bill Elliott.

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

Babb asked for any bids for the Chevy Tahoe; being none the Road Agent was instructed to call a local junk yard ó Brooks stated that Rickerø could along with the title pay up to \$250.00.

Mark Bossi a seasonal camper at The Bluffs at Danforth Bay Campground asked permission to get 40-50 golf carts safely and as legally as possible from The Bluffs to Round Pond Road for the Old Home Week Parade. The route was 5.7 miles and didn't know if they could get a police escort. If necessary they could trailers them all. Day was concerned about liability; this was discussed. Babb stated that the board is not allowed to grant permission as they don't have that authority. He did state however, that he had an entry last year and had his son escort. The public do realize that floats and the such for the parade do need to travel to the school and back and are very understanding. Chief Shackford spoke up and it was left that he would work with Bossi to see that this could happen safely.

Being no public comment Chief Shackford gave his department updateí .no major crime waive. They did respond to several alarms; it has been pretty quiet.

Cunio reported the calls and that the rescue had some repairs done and was back in service. Still waiting for a few things on the new engine.

J. Brooks wanted to remind everyone that the Transfer Station is closed this Sunday for Easter. Currently working on getting the new fire truck registered.

The Road Agent reported they are in transition, the roads are still posted. There is 3 more weeks of potential snow events. Babb did ask that he notify Janice when the west side of town road bans are off. There is a time sensitive Zoning Issue that is effected.

Hatch inquired about both her and Janice attending a seminar on HR training on Thursday the 5th; board agreed to training. Day will answer the phones if Amanda is not available to cover. Hatch is also preparing paperwork for the auditors that will be scheduling their time here.

Babb made a motion to enter non public session under RSA 91A:3 II(a) Roll Call Vote: Day yes; Fall yes; Babb yes; entered non public at 7:24pm with Rob Cunio.

Board reconvened to open session at 7:36pm. Babb made a motion to authorize Day to work with Cunio and with NHMA on a clerical issue, Fall seconded, so voted.

Hatch inquired about the reappointment of Bruce Howlett to the FAISC. His term is up and was not sure if he could serve as he was not a town resident. Because of a situation earlier this year state law requires a voting member to be a resident. They don't want to exclude Howlett and possibly he could attend the meeting just not be on the committee. Day will inquire about this when talking with NHMA.

The board discussed the letter of agreement for a timber tax payment schedule. Hatch had incorrectly stated that a lien would not be placed on the property and this was pointed out by the Tax Collector as incorrect. Day made a motion to honor the agreement as written made with Steeves; Fall seconded, so voted. Tax Collector will be made aware of the vote.

Hatch discussed the meeting with Joel from Freedom Computer Repair; he had done a quick overview of what he had installed in the past. He has made a list of recommendations; however, there are two more things he wanted to check to try to figure out the ongoing issues. He would be willing to price out upgrades if the board agreed.

The personnel policy with a list of voted changes and possible changes were quickly reviewed. Babb asked that everyone review the whole policy and this would be addressed at a future meeting.

Babb made a motion to enter non public session under RSA 91A:3 II(e) regarding pending litigation; Babb asked Hatch to leave. Roll Call Vote: Day yes; Fall yes; Babb yes; entered non public at 8:06pm. Returned to open session at 8:34pm.

Babb made a motion to contact John Ratagan to setup time for all three board members to meet with him; Fall seconded, Day agreed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Karen Hatch
Town Administrator

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