

Minutes of Selectmen's Meeting, Town of Freedom, NH 03836
Monday, January 21, 2019

Present: Leslie R. Babb, Ernest F. Day, Jr., Alan G. Fall, Selectmen; Karen Hatch, Town Adm.; Fire Chief Rob Cunio and Bill Elliott.

Meeting was called to order at 12:10pm manifests were signed and mail was reviewed.

Vice Vaccaro of Tri Tech met with the board regarding the King Pine Triathlon which is being held June 1st this year. After a brief review of the event the board agreed and signed the required paperwork so he can acquire the state permits.

There was no public comment but there was an update on the Fire Dept.'s fishing derby which Elliott and Cunio both spoke to. The event was a success and a very fun family day.

Chief Cunio reported two medical aid calls; the compressor with the cascade has been ordered. He also reported that he had contacted 12 departments regarding hose testing and unless they do it themselves they use Failsafe. Babb made a motion to enter into a three year agreement for hose testing, seconded by Day, voted yes unanimously.

There was a brief discussion on the Conway property remaining a horse farm; agriculture is allowed in all zones so this is not an issue.

At 12:26pm the board entered the budget workshop to review the 2019 proposed budget. There was discussion on the road crack sealing monies and that was not an article but part of the general highway budget. Babb made a motion to have Hatch correct the minutes to depict the encumbrance of the hot top article and sealing article, seconded by Fall, voted yes unanimously.

Fall made a motion to move monies for CASA into the regular budget and not a separate article, seconded by Babb, voted yes unanimously.

There was a discussion on the Library increase and it was agreed that it be its own separate article this year for the people to vote on.

Babb proposed that the upgrade of the office and computer systems article come from fund balance, all agreed.

Also the proposed capital reserve articles the board agreed to have funded from fund balance if allowed by the Department of Revenue, Hatch to check into.

There was also discussion on an article for addressing the needs of the town offices along with securing old town documents. This will be decided next week. Fall is to look into the costs of fire proof safes in the interim for some of the documents.

Meeting adjourned at 2:44pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Karen Hatch, Town Administrator

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