



DRAFT MINUTES
BOARD OF SELECTMEN & STAFF MEETING
FEBRUARY 25, 2014 6:30 P.M.

Meeting called to order at 6:37 PM

Present: Select Board Chair Charles Moser, Selectmen R. Pete McGinnity, Road Agent Fred Greenwood, Librarian Sue Wolpert, Police Chief Barry Hutchins, Town Clerk Deb Morrison, Fire Chief Dave Baker, citizens

Department Status Reports

Librarian Sue Wolpert:

Budget okay due to wise spending; personnel and safety okay. The librarians are working on disaster plan with Hillsborough County Cooperative; a floor plan is done and will be posted in each room. Story time and lunch time book club continue. The crash bar on the exterior door has been repaired.

Police Chief Barry Hutchins:

IMC training for all officers will take 3 1/2 days. Part-time Officer Slocum is giving CPR class for school personnel, officers and any other interested adults. Firearms and associated equipment have arrived; final payment is still pending. Overtime and part-time budget lines are being taxed due to Chief Hutchins on doctor-ordered light duty due to injuries received in an assault last month.

Fire Chief Dave Baker:

All gear purchased with a 2013 warrant article has been received. Another house has been donated for a variety of training. A dummy is being borrowed from the State for training; three props per year are provided. The house needs to be certified asbestos free and paperwork filed with EPA before the practice burn takes place. Tentative date of 3/23/14. A radiator fitting blew out of the radiator of the 1990 firetruck; a used one was found in Manchester; a new one would have cost \$3,000. Work has been done on the fire department furnace; work on flue continues. Chief Baker questions oil delivery amounts; Fred Greenwood will follow-up with company.

Town Clerk Deb Morrison:

Preparations for elections are progressing well. Ballots are ready for printing after approval from Moderator Catherine Schwenk. Budget and personnel are okay.

Road Agent Fred Greenwood:

Four loads of salt are available for fall and winter 2014. Diesel price is \$3.90 to \$3.75. No personnel issues. Day to day issues are encountered with equipment. New stainless steel sander is great, but freezes; it is the only sander with a screen. Regarding safety, the underground tank is okay, according to the inspector. Mud signs will be going up. Frost heaves and pot holes are Biblical. Pot holes on Wilton, Starch Mill and Greenville Roads are filled. Every year weight limits need to be voted by selectmen. Part-time and overtime budgets are killers as they are a lot of money. Only one contract

person is left; overtime rate is cheaper than a contract rate. Heat bill for the garage, at 50 degrees, is through the roof. Resident John Deifenbach, radio repairman, found it difficult working there.

From Selectman R. Pete McGinnity:

Chief Hutchins and Road Agent Greenwood should prepare for town meeting. Police cruiser warrant article will be purchased with money from the K-9 fund and capital reserve fund, so there will be no tax impact. A new backhoe has been needed for four years. As this was his last meeting, Pete thanked everyone for their cooperation.

Adjourned at 7:07 PM.

Notes taken by Barbara DeVore, volunteer, as Interim Administrative Assistant Carlotta Spini struggled with the seriously ill copy machine