

Town of Bartlett Office of Selectmen

Meeting Minutes: April 23, 2010

Attendance: Chairman Gene Chandler, Douglas Garland, Jon Tanguay

Reporters: None

Meeting opened at 08:35 AM.

Fire Chief L. Patrick Roberts met with the Selectmen to go over the following items: 1.) Updated pricing for the new Chief' truck. The pricing is 2010 Ford Expedition \$26, 187.00/radio, lighting, etc. \$12,592.05/pull out storage rack \$2,700.00/letter, striping \$800.00 for a grand total of \$42,279.05. The Selectmen need to send a letter to Hillsboro Ford to order the vehicle. Roberts went over the pricing for the single head mobile radio unit that the fire department now owns as the present mobile radios are out dated and there is no conversion parts being manufactured by Motorola nor are any available. Ossipee Mountain Electronics can convert the single head radio to a dual head radio for \$12,592.30 or to purchase a new dual head radio would be \$15,354.08 from Ossipee Mountain Electronics or \$16,175.00 from Lilly Pond Communications. The Selectmen chose to go with the \$12,592.30 price from Ossipee Mountain Electronics. 2.) Roberts stated that Peter Villaume is in need of a new helmet as his current one is ten years old and cracked. The helmet he uses is not the standard helmet and he is willing to pay the difference in the price. Selectman Tanguay stated that Villaume uses his helmet for car racing events and if it is damaged who would pay for it. Roberts stated that he assumes that Villaume would. Chairman Chandler is concerned that others might also want this helmet and would they want to pay the difference. Roberts stated that he doesn't believe that would be a problem. It was decided at the present time to wait on this decision. 3.) Roberts questioned if it was still in the plans that old Engine 3 would be taken to the Bartlett Jackson Transfer Station. They have taken off any viable equipment but there are still some hoses, etc. on it. The Selectmen agreed it should still be taken to the transfer station and they would like to have the water tank full when it goes to the transfer station. Selectman Garland inquired from Roberts if he had looked at the bill from Power Products for when they came up to look at the generator at the school to check on the problem of smoke from the engine exhaust and the fluctuating voltage as he feels the bill is high. Roberts suggested that Selectman Garland call them directly and ask as he doesn't know why it was so high. Chairman Chandler stated that they were suppose to set the

generator up a certain way and they didn't do it so they should have come up to fix the problem. Selectman Garland will telephone them as he has been told from the manufacturer of the generator that it shouldn't be started up for testing under a load which is what Power Products set it up to do so they should correct the error they made for no cost for that portion of the bill. Power Products believes that there is air in the fuel supply to the engine. Roberts informed the Board that Jesse Lyman's crew had checked out the fuel line from the tank to the boiler room and there are no air leaks. Earl Medeiros, head maintenance at the school, had suggested to Roberts that a tiger loop be installed.

Selectman Tanguay made a motion at 09:30 AM to enter nonpublic session to discuss a request for aid under NH RSA 91-A: 3 II (c). Chairman Chandler seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Selectman Garland made a motion at 09:45 AM to end the nonpublic session and to seal the minutes. Selectman Tanguay seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Police Chief Timothy Connifey went over the following with the Selectmen:

- 1.) The new officer, John Sutton, has passed the firearms qualifications. Sutton has also purchased t-shirts, sweatpants and sweatshirts for the academy and the t-shirts need to have his name on them and the Chief would like for the Town to pick up half of the cost. The Selectmen agreed that they would pay half the bill which will be about \$128.00.
- 2.) Connifey inquired if Chairman Chandler had heard anything in reference to the ATV grant as the police department has heard nothing yet. Chairman Chandler placed a call and discovered that no decisions would be made until the meeting on May 6th. Connifey has done some research and would prefer to get a motorcycle that can be used off and on the road and he would like to take the money from the drug account to purchase the motorcycle. Chairman Chandler replied, "No".

Connifey explained that they would like to be able to track down some of the ATV's that they have had problems with and with a motorcycle they wouldn't have to worry about trucking it to the location whereas an ATV they would need a trailer for. Selectman Garland stated that he has some concerns such as the liability aspect if an officer should get hurt on the motorcycle or if someone that was

being chased struck a tree as those are things we don’t want to get into. Selectman Garland is concerned that the end results may not be what the Chief is looking for. Connifey stated that there would be strict rules about pursuits. He would have one officer on regular patrol and one on the trail. Chairman Chandler inquired as to what exactly does the grant pay for. Chief Connifey explained that it pays for man hours only and that we would be responsible for providing either an ATV or motorcycle. Selectman Garland would like to look at this further and check with our insurance carrier about the additional costs, etc. Connifey inquired for the Jackson Police Departments firearms instructor, Sean Cowland, if the Selectmen would have a problem if they cleaned up the firing range and made it actually look more like a firing range. The Selectmen stated that procedurally they don’t have a problem but they would need to see a plan and prices involved. This would also have to be approved by the Jackson Selectmen.

The Selectmen reviewed correspondence, building permits, signed letters and checks prior to and throughout the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 11:10 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Medeiros, Sec.