

Town of Bartlett Office of Selectmen

Meeting Minutes: July 25, 2008

Attendance: Chairman Gene Chandler, Douglas Garland, Jon Tanguay

Reporters: None

Meeting opened at 08:45 AM.

Fire Chief L. Pat Roberts discussed the following with the Selectmen:

- 1.) Special Article #14 for air packs (SCBA's) still has money left after the purchase of the air packs. Roberts can only spend the money for air pack related items and he would, therefore, like to spend the money for a RIT (Rapid Intervention Team) pack. The RIT pack is used to refill air packs inside a building if someone is running out of air, trapped, etc.. Chairman Chandler inquired what the cost of the RIT pack would be. Roberts stated that it would be approximately \$3500.00. Chairman Chandler also inquired as to whom the grant was from. Roberts replied FEMA and he has checked with them and is allowed to purchase other related air pack equipment with the left over funds. Chairman Chandler inquired if we should purchase accessories or another air pack? Selectman Tanguay stated that the RIT pack is a life ring. Chairman Chandler made a motion to purchase the RIT pack as long as it was within the approved grant money. Selectman Tanguay seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
- 2.) Roberts inquired if the Selectmen would be interested in applying for other grant money or in USDA low interest loans. Chairman Chandler stated that no loan program could compete with the interest rate that we have now. Roberts stated that the USDA grants are a 65% (town's portion) and 35% (USDA portion) split towards equipment up to \$50,000.00. Selectman Garland inquired what the grants could be used for and Chairman Chandler asked just what it will cover. Roberts will check into this further and get back to the Selectmen
- 3.) There are classes for Fire Fighter I and Fire Fighter II becoming available in Conway and the cost for the training is \$435.00 for Fire Fighter I which is 230 hrs. and \$280.00 for Fire Fighter II which is 80 hrs. The classes will run from September – February and will be held on weekends and nights. Selectman Tanguay inquired as to how many people were interested in taking the classes. Roberts stated that he has had interest from three people for each class. Chairman Chandler and Selectman Tanguay agreed and Selectman Garland was thinking

- for Roberts to go ahead and sign these people up for the classes.
- 4.) Roberts reminded the Selectmen that he still has his building repair list that needs to be done. Selectman Garland will contact Mike Dewar to see if he would have any interest in doing the repairs.
  - 5.) Roberts informed the Selectmen that Engine 2 had a problem with the heat protector unraveling on the exhaust pipe and the regular service maintenance needs to be done. Roberts stated that he believes that most of the exhaust pipe situation will be covered by warranty even though the year warranty has expired. Engine 1 is also having the annual service maintenance done and that Tank 3 would be the next one to go down for servicing. Selectman Garland inquired as to the cost to service the tank. Roberts replied that it would be around \$350.00 and the tank is the last one to have servicing done.
  - 6.) Roberts discussed briefly the new inspection sheets and how and who would be doing the inspection and how it would work. Lynn Jones, AA, stated that if it is decided that Shawn Bergeron, Engineer, would do the inspection a contract is sent out to the person/business requesting the inspection that clearly states that further contact should be with Bergeron and not the Fire Chief. Chairman Chandler requested that a copy of these documents be given to Roberts.
  - 7.) Chairman Chandler inquired about the ongoing lock issue at the fire station in Glen. The price quotes were reviewed by the Selectmen and the Fire Chief. It was determined that one swipe lock would cost approximately \$2200.00. Selectman Tanguay inquired if Roberts would take a few minutes to write up the plans for what type of locks were going on each door. Chairman Chandler and Selectman Tanguay agreed to put the key card on one door and locks on the other doors, Selectman Garland is still thinking. It was agreed that when the new doors are hung that this would be coordinated with the locksmith. Selectman Tanguay stated that maybe if the swipe card system works that perhaps we should have one installed at the town hall.

David Roode (1DNDHI-28-R00) inquired from the Selectmen if there was anything that could be done to prevent the sand from dumping into his yard every time it rains. Roode stated that because of the hard winter there was a

lot of sand used and even though the highway department cleaned up the best that they could that the way the road is graded all the sand dumps into his yard. Roode has to go out and shovel the sand off his tarred driveway. Roode inquired if it would be possible to put a culvert under his driveway to help with this problem or a spur in the road to divert the water. Chairman Chandler stated that it will have to be looked at by the road agent. Selectman Garland inquired if a culvert would even work. Roode stated that he didn’t know and would leave that up to the Selectmen.

Selectman Garland stated that he had been speaking to Terry Miller, Saco District Ranger for the US Forest Service, and Miller inquired if the Selectmen would be willing to chip in around \$200.00 towards a survey to be done at the Blackfly Ball field in Bartlett Village to confirm where the corner of the lot is located. The Selectmen all agreed to this and Selectman Garland telephoned Miller informing him of their decision.

Chairman Chandler informed the other Selectmen that the town’s loader was having rear end problems and would probably be expensive to repair. In the meantime R.C. Hazelton Company has lent us a loader to use.

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

Meeting adjourned at 12:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Medeiros, Sec.