

Town of Bartlett Office of Selectmen
Meeting Minutes: November 14, 2008
Attendance: Chairman Gene Chandler, Doug Garland, Jon Tanguay
Reporters: None

Meeting opened at 08:30 AM.

Selectman Tanguay made a motion at 09:00 AM to enter nonpublic session for a request for aid according to RSA 91-A: 3 (c). Selectman Garland seconded the motion. Motion carried. Selectman Garland made a motion at 09:15 AM to end the nonpublic session and to seal the minutes. Chairman Chandler seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Police Chief Timothy Connifey informed the Selectmen that he was in need of doing a tire change over from summer tires to winter tires for three of the cruisers as the Ford explorer is all set. Selectman Tanguay inquired if they aligned the tires when they changed them over. Connifey replied that the tires are mounted and balanced. Connifey stated that the town of Carroll starts their police officer out at \$36,000.00 a year and he would like our officers to receive more money. Connifey stated that he would give up other things such as the fourth cruiser and not purchasing a new cruiser in 2009 to look at the possibility of spending more on personnel. The Selectmen inquired if the \$36,000.00 was base rate or did it include the health/dental insurance. Connifey didn't know and will check into this further. Connifey also let the Selectmen know that on Monday the police department would be at the Josiah Bartlett School to do the finger printing for those interested in teaching skiing for the Eastern Slope Ski Club. Chairman Chandler replied that he doesn't have a problem with that but the local paper says that you have to and if the school district wants to that is ok but it is not a law.

Fire Chief L. Pat Roberts spoke to the Selectmen about the training trailer that was donated to the Town of Jackson. Roberts stated that it is in decent shape and worth keeping for fire and rescue training. Roberts stated that when it comes time for disposal it would be put mostly in the bulk metal pile and rest in construction debris. Selectman Garland replied that it was not that easy as there could be asbestos, lead paint, etc. Chairman Chandler inquired if it was effective and beneficial to train in a trailer if a fireman has to go to a house fire. Roberts stated yes as we have quite a few trailers in town and they can change the concept of the trailer. Chairman Chandler

inquired how the trailer was going to get to the Bartlett Jackson Transfer Station. Roberts

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stated that the Town of Jackson was taking care of that. Selectman Tanguay was concerned that when he went to the transfer station that he was informed everything was all set and he wasn't aware of that. Roberts replied that it got placed on the back burner and he thought it was taken care of. Selectman Tanguay replied that he would like the decision to be with joint towns (Bartlett & Jackson) as right now there is not support from both town boards. Roberts explained that they would like to get the trailer up there before winter. Chairman Chandler voted yes to placing the trailer at the transfer station for training purposes, Selectman Garland also voted yes. Selectman Tanguay voted no as he has concern of the congestion at the transfer station. Vote carries. The breakdown of illegal fires report was reviewed with Roberts. One subject had a burn permit but had started the fire too close to buildings and another subject had the option to extinguish the fire themselves or get billed. Selectman Tanguay inquired if someone violated the permit does Roberts cite them for violation of the law. Roberts stated that he gives verbal warnings but he believes that citations are issued by Forest Ranger, Robert Boyd. Roberts would like a policy to be written for illegal fires. Selectman Tanguay inquired if other towns fine people and do fire chiefs have the authority to issue citations. Chief Roberts will check into this further.

The Selectmen placed a call to the town attorney for clarification on a land use issue and was given guidance as to how to proceed.

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

Meeting adjourned at 11:50 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Medeiros, Sec.