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Selectmen's Meeting, Monday, January 13, 1992

Present: Edwin Rowell, Chairman, Phil Dwight, Dave Boule', Betty Shaw, Secretary.

Meeting called to order at 7:00

A question was raised as to the date the Town will celebrate Civil Rights Day. This day is to replace Fast Day which is a holiday for Town Employees.

Brian Brown, Police Chief, submitted a revised budget for his department. The salary line was reduced allowing for a special officer in place of the vacancy created upon the Sgt. resigning. There is also enough funds in the line item to permit hiring a full time officer mid-year if it becomes necessary to do so.

Brian discussed the remote repeater and bay station with the proper antenna, it would be possible to transmit as well as receive. He will look into Government surplus as the cost would be minimal. To purchase the system it would cost from \$1,500 to \$3,000.

Phil moved to accept the minutes of Jan. 6th as written. Second Ed. So moved.

Phil moved to executive session to discuss legal issues. Second Dave. All in favor. So moved. Minutes will be kept and released after legal matters settled.

Selectmen reconvened their regular meeting.

Due to the many abatement request resulting from the Town's equalized value, Phil met with the DRA to see what the Selectmen can do as far as the equalized valuation of the Town. He was informed the Selectmen, as Town Assessors, can increase or decrease the value of property in Town. They can reduce the assessment value to the equalized value if they so wish before the tax rate is set.

Phil also spoke to an assessor who estimates the cost to assess the College to be about \$6,000 to \$8,000. Selectmen agreed to meet with someone from Avatar to see what they would charge to assess the College on Friday, at 9:30 AM.

A window in the rear of the building has been broken. Dave will check it out and make the required repair.

Dave and Phil will make the handicapped booth for election.

Selectmen will be checking what the cost will be to purchase fuel oil in advance.

Don Chambers and Bill Nichols have been reappointed to the serve on the Fire Department. Selectmen will be meeting with the Fire Chief to discuss the department practices. Selectmen accepted, with regrets, the resignations of Joe Timko and Mariann Moery, from the ZBA.
Selectmen reviewed possible candidates to fill the positions vacated on the ZBA.

Selectmen will be sending out Inventories this year.

Insurance application for Public Officials was signed.

Dave moved to adjourned at 9:26. Second, Phil. All in favor. So moved.