Selectmen's Meeting, Monday, December 20, 1993

Present: Phil Dwight, Chairman, Dave Boule', Tom Davis and Betty Shaw, Secretary.

Meeting called to order at 7PM

Brian Brown, Police Chief, gave a run down on some activity that took place within the town in the past few weeks.

Selectmen discussed a proposal for a part time welfare officer. In place of creating a part time position, they agreed to put a warrant article in to increase the welfare officers pay to \$700 a year, they will also add \$1,500 to the budget for assistance in drawing up a good set of welfare guidelines and to seek advise as to what the town can and can not do.

Selectmen signed two abatements.

Dave made a motion to have a warrant article to raise \$5,000 to do a joint study with Bennington, to see what the financial and educational impact would be for both towns to withdraw from the Conval School System. Second by Tom. All in favor. So moved.

Selectmen agreed to increase the legal expenses for the Planning Boards proposed budget to \$1,000.

Selectmen discussed a change to the personnel policy. Tom moved the town pay the difference between insurance coverage and the actual pay employees receive while out on short term disability. Heads of departments to be covered up to six months, all other employees to be covered two week per year of continues service, with a maximum of six months. Second, Dave. All in favor. So moved.

Selectmen discuss hiring Joe Smith at a rate of \$10 per hour to do plowing while Bob is out. Salting, sanding and clean up can be done by the regular crew. The foreman, Bill Gutgesell will be informed that only one man is to be in a truck as they are equipped with radios and can get assistance if they run into a problem. If there is a road problem, dispatch can call Tom, Dave or Bill.

Selectmen made a resolution to authorize any one of the Selectmen to transfer town funds from the Peterborough Savings Bank and authorize the PSB to wire transfer the funds to the town's account at N.H. Public Deposit Pool.

Selectmen reviewed the proposed budget. It was agreed to propose a 4% pay increase for employees as of April 1 and the town will pick up the increase in insurance, less the 15%. It was also agreed a notice will go to all employees forewarning them that as of 1995, they will be expected to pick up a larger portion of any increase in coverage.

Abatements signed on outstanding 1987 and 1989 tax sale lien, (\$3,986.04) and interest and cost amounting to \$346.02 on the Chase, Brooks, O'Leary and Lakes Region properties.

Meeting adjourned 8:55

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