TOWN OF ANTRIM BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING AGENDA November 20, 2000

6:00 p.m. CALL MEETING TO ORDER -

6:00 p.m. Meet with Police Chief Brian Brown

- Accept Resignation of Officer Brian Giammarino
- Discuss the Board's position regarding the decision made by the Planning Board (Rank)
- Fire Department applications (2)
- Dredge & Fill Permit Application
- DES / Application for annual installment of State Grant
- Approve letter to be submitted to the Limrik
- Letter regarding West Street property (subdivision)
- MCT Telecom
- Personnel Policy

7:00 p.m. Library Trustees 2001 budget

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PRESENT: Chairman Eric Tenney, Selectman Tim Seeger, Selectman Phil Dwight and Sherry Miller.

6:00 p.m. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER -

6:00 p.m. Police Chief Brian Brown

Police Chief Brian Brown met with the Selectmen to notify them that he has received a resignation from Officer Brian Giammarino effective December 1, 2000. The Selectmen accepted his resignation with regret. Chief Brown stated that he has began to run ads and will accept resumes/applications until December 8, 2000. Chief Brown did state that with today's economy he's not sure how many he will receive, he has also spoken with some of the surrounding towns to compare salaries and said that he may have to adjust the pay to be more inline with other towns.

Chief Brown brought up that the Town of Bennington is considering using State Police after hours. Chief Brown has concerns regarding this. He's concerned that Bennington may rely on Antrim for supplemental coverage. It was pointed out that Antrim Police could only respond as mutual aid if requested by the on duty Senior Officer. Chief Brown will be contacting Chief Campbell to address his concerns and will keep the Selectmen advised.

Appeal to the ZBA -

The Zoning Board of Adjustment will be hearing an appeal on November 21, 2000 regarding a decision made by the Planning Board for a Change of Use. The zoning ordinance states that the Selectmen are to interpret the zoning ordinance. After review of the zoning ordinance and the appeal the Selectmen unanimously agreed with the plaintiff that the Planning Board misinterpreted the definitions in the zoning ordinance and agreed that Gasoline Service Stations and Automobile Repair Shops are not synonymous with one another.

Fire Department Applications –

Fire Chief Mike Beauchamp submitted two applications for the Fire Department one from Dave Rix of Antrim and one from David White also from Antrim both are interested in becoming firefighters with the Company 1 Station. The Selectmen unanimously agreed to accept both applications.

Dredge & Fill Application –

The Selectmen reviewed a Dredge & Fill Permit Application received from Paul & Rosa Young.

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D.E.S. Annual Installment of State Grant -

We have received the application of scheduled payments for the wastewater grant for the year 2001. Chairman Tenney signed the application.

MCT Telecom -

The Selectmen reviewed a letter received from MCT Telecom regarding some new poles going in on Elm Ave. The intent of the letter is to keep the Selectmen advised of their progress.

West Street land -

The Selectmen received a letter from Robert Cloutier regarding land he has on West Street. Mr. Cloutier stated that his land is for sale and seeing that it abuts town land wanted to know if the town would be interested in purchasing it. The Selectmen will send a letter stating that they are not interested at this time.

7:00 p.m. Met with the Library Trustees regarding the 2001 proposed budget -The Trustees submitted a proposed budget, which had an overall increase of about 5%. There was a brief discussion regarding the possible request for an additional \$60,000 to be placed in Capital Reserves for the Library expansion. Selectman Dwight stated that there was a sizeable increase in the tax rate this year and next year the first payment will be due on the Town Hall bond which will put \$1.44 on top of the tax rate. We need to keep the tax rate from increasing anymore. The schools portion will most likely be going up next year and if we put an additional \$60,000 into Capital Reserves it will add .66 cents to the tax rate. The Selectmen agreed that before they make any definite decisions they want to see what the overall budget of the town will be.

Lyman Gilmore stated that they have been working with Bruce Armer regarding the Library expansion and they are considering hiring Tom Weller and if they do that they will need to draw some funds out of the money put into Capital Reserves last year. At this time they do not have any definite figures but hope to have something soon.

Review and approve minutes

The minutes of November 6, 2000 were unanimously approved.

There will be no Selectmen's meeting November 27, 2000. The next meeting will be December 4, 2000.

Respectfully submitted, Showy Muley herry Miller