

**TOWN OF ANTRIM
BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 18, 2001**

PRESENT: Chairman Eric Tenney, Selectman Phil Dwight, Selectman Dave Penny and Sherry Miller.

6:30 p.m. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER –

At the beginning of the meeting Selectman Dwight submitted his formal resignation effective immediately. Chairman Tenney and Selectman Penny regretfully accepted his resignation. Mr. Dwight offered to continue to provide financial advisement, which the Selectmen agreed to.

6:30 p.m. Fire Dept. Budget –

Fire Chief Beauchamp and Asst. Fire Chief Edmunds submitted an estimate from Valley Fire Equipment for a pumper to replace the 1974 reel truck, which is now permanently out of service. The estimated cost is \$161,000. Selectman Penny noted that the specifications were considerably different than those of the current reel truck. He asked how the specifications were developed. Chief Beauchamp and Asst. Chief Edmunds indicated that the specifications were developed by assessing the needs of the department and the requirements of the NFPA standards. Selectman Penny would like to obtain a copy of NFPA Codes/Specifications so that he can have a better understanding of the requirements. Chief Beauchamp stated that they would be looking to replace the 1979 GMC in 2004. With this in mind there was some concern with the amount of money going into capital reserve.

Asst. Chief Edmunds would like the Selectmen to consider an agreement with the Nashua Fire Department for terrorist and hazardous material coverage. For \$500-\$1000 year the Antrim Fire Department would receive a gas meter and class A&B suits and response (currently the firefighters of Antrim are Class C response) and the Nashua Fire Dept. would respond to any terrorist and or hazardous material incident. Asst. Chief Edmunds will be meeting with the Hillsborough Fire Dept. sometime in January and will submit further information after that meeting.

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7:30 p.m. Pay as you Throw Committee –

Committee Members present: Dottie Penny, Jim Bingham, Kelly Pale, Mike Genest and Bob Lovering.

The Selectmen asked the group to research the Pay as you throw program, which is used, by many other towns in the state. The committee has been looking at the operations of other towns as well as the current ARTS operation. In addition they have been receiving comments from Antrim citizens. The committee indicated to the Selectmen that they felt that several improvements to the ARTS operation should be considered prior to any consideration concerning instituting the Pay as you Throw program. They felt that the recycling program could be improved with additional equipment. They asked the Selectmen to include in the 2002 ARTS budget an additional \$10,000 for equipment. It was noted that the original 1993 ARTS legislation stipulated that a permanent committee be appointed to work with the ARTS operator. That committee was never appointed. The group suggested that the committee be appointed in the coming year and several members offered to serve. They also indicated that one of the major concerns expressed to them was a possible increase in the litter on Town roads. They suggested that the Town adopt an anti-littering ordinance so that littering fines would revert back to the Town.

Primex multi-year agreement –

The Selectmen unanimously agreed to extend the agreement to the year 2004.

Southwest Regional Planning Commission update –

Reviewed.

Dredge & Fill application –

Reviewed.

State of NH DOT Regional Meeting –

The State of New Hampshire Department of Transportation would like to schedule a meeting with the Hillsborough and Antrim Selectmen to discuss their upcoming project along Route 9. The preferred date is January 16, 2002 at 7:00 p.m. Both Selectmen agreed to this date.

Review Budgets –

The Selectmen began to address several unsettled issues concerning various parts of the budget and possible warrant articles. No decisions were made.

Review and approve minutes –

The minutes of December 10, 2001 were reviewed and unanimously approved.

The next Selectmen's meeting will be December 26, 2001 at 6:30 p.m.

