

February 4, 2008

Present: Selectmen McAuley, Griffin, Anderson, AA Ricci

7:00 PM Chief Bell introduced Donald Sims from New Boston, a former Police Officer who had been employed with the New Boston Police Department up until recently since 1980. He should not have to go to the Academy. He has not had any longer lapse in service then any other officers in the past. McAuley made the motion that Donald Sims be appointed a Police Officer effective immediately, Griffin seconded, unanimous by voice vote 3-0.

McAuley discussed the Tony Clark property on Greenfield Road. Audience members present for the discussion: Peter Hopkins, Building Code Enforcement Officer, Rick Connor, and Police Chief Bell. Issues pertaining to the towing of cars to the property, and the repairing of cars on the property. We have had letters asking that the Selectmen address the situation. McAuley talked to Bart, and he is in violation of our zoning ordinance. He has never applied for a special exception to operate such a business there, and our zoning would not allow it. By towing vehicles back to his property he is in violation of our junk yard ordinance. The unregistered vehicles are the ones that are in violation of our ordinance. The towing of vehicles there and later crushing them up are in violation of RSA 236:112. Bart suggested that the Selectmen write him a letter putting him on notice, followed shortly thereafter by issuing a notice of violation to him with a fine of \$275.00 for the first day, \$500.00 per day after that. Then Bart goes to court to petition for a declaratory injunctive release, the Selectmen go on the property, clear it out, put a lien on the property. Bell stated you will probably find that 70% of those vehicles on his property are legally registered. Hopkins stated they needed proof from someone that their vehicle was repaired on his property. Bart recommends write the letter have the Police Department deliver it or send it certified. Bell stated you would probably not catch him operating a junk yard, you would catch him operating a business without the proper variance. Connor stated the sign usually goes up on the weekends, hangs on the garage door. McAuley will draft a letter and have Bart review it.

7:30 PM Budget Advisory Committee members presented their copy of their operating budget to the Selectmen. (copy attached) Modifications made by the Selectmen to medical insurance line item to 61510.32, planning board copier line item to 1000.00, and general government building line item copier to 3000.00.

Anderson compiling compensation packages from other towns.

McAuley made the motion to accept the 2008 operating budget as \$1,416,124.63, Griffin seconded, unanimous by voice vote 3-0. (copy attached)

Selectmen and Budget Advisory Committee voted on warrant articles. (copy attached)

B. Moul stated there was a vote at town meeting where the town would follow a formal bid process for projects/purchases that exceed \$5000.00. She stated she would like to hold the Selectmen to this process.

Selectmen voted 2-1 to not allow payment of the Ossipee Mountain invoice submitted by the Fire Department for \$1018.23, based on a prior decision of the Board.

Check manifest signed.

9:45 PM McAuley made the motion to adjourn, Griffin seconded, unanimous by voice vote 3-0.







Selectmen of Francestown