FRANCESTOWN BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Meeting Minutes October 20, 2008

The meeting being properly posted, and Hardwick and Anderson present constituting a quorum, Anderson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Public Present:

BJ Carbee, Polly Freese, Ben Watson and Jason Martel.

PA Inventory Forms -

Tabled until all three Selectmen are present.

Space Downstairs –

BJ Carbee acting as Supervisor of the Checklist stated that there is a real need for more space downstairs for the upcoming election. She suggested that various items could be removed to make more space.

Halloween Road Closure -

Jason Martel, owner of the Francestown Village Store expressed concern about loss of business during the time that Main Street is closed for trick or treating. He stated that this initially started due to road construction therefore safety was a concern. Now that the road construction is over and the sidewalk is in place he would like the Board to consider keeping the road open. It was suggested to position a Police cruiser at each end of Main Street along with a couple of fire trucks with all the lights on. This should slow traffic creating a safe environment for the kids and not causing undue hardship to the Mr. Martel. It was agreed that as long as Police and Fire are available this would be ok.

Hillsborough County Meeting -

The Selectmen have selected Monday, November 10th to meet with Carol Holden from the Hillsborough County Commissioners Office.

HWY Radio Frequency Change -

Gary Paige has requested permission to change the radio frequencies that he uses due to interference. The Board unanimously agreed to grant him permission to make the necessary change.

Gary Paige requested to extend the Highway Departments summer hours to December 1st. After a brief discussion, the Selectmen unanimously agreed to end at the previously agreed date of November 2, 2008.

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PSNH Tree Removal –

Hardwick moved to consider the tree at the corner of Oak Hill Road an immanent danger and a hazard to the public therefore grant permission for PSNH to remove the tree. Anderson seconded. Passed 2-0.

Scott Jackson Property -

It was brought to the Selectmen's attention that a driveway permit has not been received for new construction on Old County Road. A building permit and septic approval is on file, however, no driveway permit. The Road Agent has some concerns with possible drainage issues. The Selectmen agreed to contact the Building Inspector to schedule a meeting when he returns from vacation.

Auditors Report -

Hardwick explained that the auditors report and letter to Attorney Mayer must be signed ASAP. Hardwick and Anderson agreed to authorize Chairman McAuley to sign both when he returns.

SWRPC -

Hardwick and Anderson agreed to authorize Chairman McAuley to sign the letter of agreement with Southwest Regional Planning Commission.

The September 29, 2008 meeting minutes were approved as amended.

Items Signed -

Intent to Cut AP/Payroll Manifests for 10/20/2008

7:15 p.m. Meeting moved downstairs to meet with the Budget Advisory Committee.

Budget Advisory Committee meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

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