

## **FRANCESTOWEN BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

Meeting Minutes

October 27, 2008

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

**Public Present:** Polly Freese.

### **Meeting House Activities –**

Polly Freese expressed concerns with regard to excessive traffic and parking issues when weddings are held at the Meeting House. She feels that the Town should have some regulations in place requiring a Police Officer to be on duty at the event to assist with traffic and parking. The Selectmen will talk with Chief Bell.

### **Assessment Booklets –**

Yearly the Selectmen's office creates and sends an assessment booklet that contains all property owners' current assessed values. The Selectmen discussed whether or not to have this booklet printed and mailed to each resident, which is what has been done in the past. Anderson feels that in an effort to cut back on expenses, maybe we can have the information available at the town office and the library instead of mailing the booklets. Hardwick expressed concern that this booklet as well as the Town Report is traditionally mailed and may create conflict if changes were made. It was agreed to put a comment in the Selectmen's Corner letting residents know what their (the Selectmen) thoughts are in an effort to generate feedback.

### **2009 Assessing Contract –**

We have received the proposed 2009 Assessing Contract from Granite State Assessing. The Board agreed to schedule a meeting with Jim Rice.

### **Primex –**

McAuley made a motion to enter into another multi-year contract with Primex. Hardwick seconded. Passed 3-0.

### **Highway Truck Purchase –**

The Road Agent would like authorization to look into the purchase of a new 10 wheeler. Currently a Mack dealer is offering significant savings with a lease purchase. The Selectmen unanimously agreed to authorize the Road Agent to explore pricing and purchase agreement options.

### **Halloween Road Closure –**

As a follow up to a meeting on Friday, October 24, 2008 the selectmen signed a road closure application for Main Street on Friday, October 31, 2008.

**FBOS meeting minutes cont.**

**Auditor's Meeting –**

Hardwick gave an update of her meeting with the Towns Auditor, Dave Clukay. Overall things ok, mainly accounts need to be cleaned up with some adjustments that are forthcoming. Anderson moved to authorize the Administrative Assistant to make necessary adjustments for the purpose of “cleaning up” accounts at the recommendation of the Auditor. McAuley seconded. Passed 3-0.

**Jackson Property –**

The Selectmen were once again made aware of erosion concerns for property located at 68 Old County Road North owned by Scott Jackson. Initially the Board agreed to schedule a meeting with the Building Inspector when he returned from vacation because a driveway permit was never applied for and there were concerns about drainage issues, but due to the seriousness of the erosion, it was agreed that a cease and desist should be issued immediately.

Hardwick moved to adjourn at 7:23 p.m. and reconvene downstairs to meet with the Budget Advisory Committee. McAuley seconded. Passed 3-0.

Anderson moved to adjourn. Seconded by Hardwick. Meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

W.T. Miller