Francestown Board of Selectmen

Meeting Minutes November 29, 2010

The meeting being properly posted, and McAuley, Hardwick and S. Carbee present constituting a quorum, McAuley called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Public Present: Kitty Houghton, Lisa Bourbeau, Sarah Pyle, Charlie Pyle and BJ Carbee.

McAuley moved to approve the check manifest dated November 29, 2010. Hardwick seconded. Approved.

McAuley moved to approve the timber tax warrant for H. Blair and Jennifer Hardwick. S. Carbee seconded. Approved.

7:05 p.m. Maureen Von Rosenvinge, Benefits Committee Chair – Maureen presented the Board with the report of the Benefit Study Committee. The Board agreed to look at it this week and forward any questions or changes to Maureen and have the Committee come back before the Board next Monday to discuss.

McAuley moved to approve the intent to cut request from Prescott and Elizabeth Tolman. S. Carbee seconded. Approved.

McAuley moved to approve the building permit request from John Macinnes. S. Carbee seconded. Approved.

McAuley moved approve the building permit request from Pat Nelson. S. Carbee seconded. Approved.

BJ Carbee and Sarah Pyle questioned how values were arrived at for non-profit properties and the Elementary School, stating that they are grossly inflated. She will be submitting something in writing to the Board and they (the Board) will talk with the assessing firm. Sarah Pyle will research surrounding Town's to see if they have experienced the same issue.

McAuley asked if he should continue pursuing the cost for a Pitney Bowes machine. It was agreed to continue.

S. Carbee advised that when decorating the Christmas tree they ran into some issues with electrical stuff. The tree is very unhealthy and it is believed that the tree may not make it another winter. Scott talked with George Lohmiller who installed the tree in the late 70's early 80's and he could provide a replacement for possibly less than \$2000. He (Mr. Lohmiller) would not have a firm price until January 2011. Scott will make contact with him in January.

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BJ Carbee will review the Conval census report to verify residency.

Sherry reported that the LGC has confirmed that while property owners own to the center the line, the Town has a transportation easement that allows for signage, snow, vehicles etc. The Board agreed that as long as Real Estate directional signs are permitted within the ordinance they could be placed along the side of the road.

Non-Public Session –

Motion to enter non-public session under RSA 91-A: II (c) made by McAuley. The Board entered non-public session at 7:35 p.m.

Motion to reconvene the public session made by McAuley seconded by S. Carbee. The Board reconvened the public session at 7:50 p.m.

Sherry advised that there is an issue with the Selectmen's agenda being removed from the Post Office. The Board asks that if anyone sees it being removed to please let the Selectmen know. The Board talked about putting money in the budget to purchase a posting board for notices.

The Board will meet with Pat Terry at Crotched Mountain Ski area in Bennington next Monday, December 6th at 6:00p.m.

McAuley moved to approve the minutes of November 22, 2010. S. Carbee seconded. Approved.

McAuley moved to adjourn, seconded by Hardwick. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherry Miller