#### Francestown Board of Selectmen

Meeting Minutes December 20, 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: BJ Carbee, Police Chief Bell and Fire Chief Kullgren.

Hardwick moved to enter non-public session under RSA 91-A: 3 II (a), McAuley seconded. The Board entered non-public session at 7:00 p.m.

Motion to reconvene the public session made by McAuley, seconded by Hardwick. The Board reconvened the public session at 7:15 p.m.

The Board met and reviewed the proposed 2011 budget. Abigail Arnold submitted a letter (attached) with recommendations. The Board reviewed the letter and recommendations and some changes being considered are:

## Administrative Services -

AA to 35 hours per week with benefits. Town Office hours will change: Closed to the public on Tuesdays. Office hours for Monday, Wednesday and Thursday will be reduced to 9 am to Noon.

## General Gov't -

Remove the purchase of a computer for downstairs.

## Highway Department -

Reduce payroll (overtime) by 7,180.

## **Police Department –**

Reduce payroll by 10,000 by changing coverage.

## Library -

Cut 4,035, which includes 400 for lawn (its in Gen Gov't).

#### Solid Waste -Decrease by 4,072.

## **Recreation** –

Reduce payroll by 3,500 by making Recreation Coordinator a volunteer position.

## Social Services -

Remove Grapevine appropriation. Do as a Warrant Article.

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Planning Board – Decrease by 1,000.

Heritage Commission –

Decrease by 1,800.

7:45 p.m. Chief Bell joined the audience. The Board asked him to explain his part-time coverage and payroll, as it appears that he is budgeting far more hours than Officers are actually working. After a discussion, the Board made it clear that they would support a reduction of least 10,000. Chief Bell will review his budget and report back to the Board.

# Other business -

McAuley moved to approve the building permit application for Dennis and Jodi Wells. S. Carbee seconded. Approved.

The Board unanimously agreed to have Gary sign a contract with Maine Oxygen Group for acetylene, argon and oxygen.

Upon the recommendation of Cross Country Appraisal Group McAuley moved to approve the Assessment Settlement Agreement with Deb Adams. Hardwick seconded. Approved.

McAuley moved to approve the check manifest for December 20, 2010. Hardwick seconded. Approved.

McAuley moved to accept and sign the Milfoil Grant. Hardwick seconded. Approved.

McAuley moved to approve the minutes of 12/13/2010. S. Carbee seconded. Approved.

McAuley moved to adjourn, seconded by Hardwick. Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherry Miller