TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN

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BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES

June 25, 2012

Meeting called to order at 7:02 PM

Betsy Hardwick, Scott Carbee, Abigail Arnold and the Budget and Advisory Committee; Charlie Pyle, Nick Wilder, Abbey Dawson, Henry Kunhardt, Bill McCauley in attendance, and Christine Lavery (taking minutes)

BOS approved and Betsy Hardwick signed the permit for the Labor Day Parade.

Crotched Mountain Wireless Communication Tower, WiValley, is requesting the antennae tower to be increased by 20 feet. BOS agreed that they need to go to the Planning Board for Approval. Peter Hopkins, Building Inspector, will notify them of the decision.

Review of YTD Budget with Budget Advisory Committee

Administrative Assistant noted that over all, the expenses YTD were generally in line and the remaining %'s appeared adequate. A few questions by A. Dawson, Budget Advisory Committee, were answered regarding heating budgets, General Government building furnishings expenses and noted a mis-posting to General Government telephone. It should have been to Executive telephone budget. Charlie Pyle asked about any large expenses that we may not be prepared for and Abigail Arnold noted several issues of concern. The cost of taking down the old building on East Road at Crotched Mt., total estimated costs between \$5,000 and \$6,000; the bridge replacement on Driscoll Hill Road Bridge, materials will cost between \$700-\$800 not including labor; also legal fees for the PSNH abatement case could run up to \$5,000. The BOS agreed they would revisit these issues later in the budget year.

Charlie Pyle asked how we will structure the budget hearings and would like to do them before the holidays. Betsy Hardwick spoke about having better communication regarding changes between the budget committee and the BOS. The BOS and Budget Advisory committee agreed to meet again September 10, 2012.

Transfer Station Fence

Becky Moul and Sara Cox were in attendance from the Waste Disposal Committee to discuss the inadequacies of the front gate on the new transfer station fence. They spoke about the two types of gates that can be used in accordance with the DES and the need to widen the current gate opening. They decided to make a decision about the gate later in July when the Waste Disposal

committee meets again. The BOS approved partial payment on the \$7,800 invoice (\$7,000) and the complete payment on the additional \$300 invoice. The remaining \$800 will be held back until the gate issues have been satisfied.

Correspondence

BOS reviewed the delinquent dog list and decided to wait until next week's meeting to go over it.

A letter from LGC was received alerting the town of their annual town report contest.

BOS prepared a rating on a Timber wood cut for map 6-67

Signature Approvals

BOS Approved and signed payroll manifest for w/e 6/23/2012 BOS approved and signed A/P manifest dates 6/25/2012 BOS verbally approved the release and payment of the Derr Timber tax bond BOS signed the current use penalty tax warrant for map 8-47-2 & 2 and Map 8-47

BJ Carbee asked why the town took only 2 condominiums under tax deed. Betsy Hardwick noted that all other property owners had paid their taxes.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm.

Approved on October 8, 2012

Board of Selectmen Chair Betsy Hardwick

Selectman Scott S. Carbee

Selectperson Abigail Arnold