

**New Durham Board of Selectmen  
Minutes of Budget Meeting ~ Thursday, July 5th, 2012  
Fire Station Community Room**

**Members Present:** Theresa Jarvis, David Bickford, Jeffrey Kratovil

**Also Present:** Equipment Mechanic (EM) David Valladares,

The meeting was **called to order** at 9:00 am by Chair Bickford.

*Fireworks:* The selectman decided they had no reason to vote on fireworks because the entire expenditure was coming from the Parks & Recreation Commission revolving account which accrues from fees and dues not taxpayer dollars and the Parks & Recreation Commissioners control per town meeting of 2001 warrant article #17.

*Hiring Policy:* The Board of Selectmen discussed making some minor edits to the policy and decided to give them to Town Administrator Alison Webb to rewrite. The Board decided it should be on the agenda for the next meeting to vote on. Selectman Jarvis recommended when making a motion to pass it we also add to the motion that it be attached to the Personnel Policy.

*Equipment Mechanic, (EM), diesel gelling.* EM David Valladares joined the Board at 10:04 am to explain that the only additional cost associated with purchasing fuel through a contract was the addition of 500 gallons of kerosene to prevent gelling that occurs in cold weather. That additional cost is the difference from the contract price and the kerosene price being \$.80 per gallon or \$400 for the treatment. EM David Valladares left the Board at 11:03 am.

*Dog Ordinance:* The Board realizing the leash law was not being enforced and no one was complaining decided to repeal the two known dog ordinances on the books and rely on state statutes. Selectman Bickford recommended voting to repeal any and all dog ordinances so there is nothing on the town books passed by a governing body. The other selectmen said they wanted to look further for outstanding dog ordinances that may have been overlooked and if none are found come back in early August to do an overall repeal to be certain of a clean slate.

**Motion by Selectman Kratovil to repeal Dog Ordinance TO.03.008. Seconded by Selectman Bickford. 3-0.**

**Motion by Selectman Jarvis to repeal By-Law for the Regulation of Dogs in the Town of New Durham, N. H. dated April 1, 1974. Seconded by Selectman Kratovil. 3-0.**

Discussed working on video and purchase policy next.

**Motion by Selectman Jarvis to adjourn at 11:40 am. Seconded by Selectman Kratovil. 3-0.**

Respectfully submitted,

David A. Bickford