

TOWN OF RICHMOND
NEW HAMPSHIRE
Office of Selectmen



DATE: February 4, 2013 Time: 7:00 PM

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes

Attending: Deborah Boncal, Sean McElhiney and Sandra Gillis

Read mail and signed checks

Cemetery trustees Marcia Lee and Beverly Hart addressed the board and submitted a petition warrant article regarding purchasing an excavator for the cemeteries. The request is for \$39,000.00. The board will give the article to the town clerk to verify all signers are registered voters and then it will be placed on the warrant.

Gillis gave an update from West Rindge Builders regarding the repairs at the town hall. During the work they discovered that the roof needs repairs the North side of the building. Mr. Harper will give the board an estimate.

Gillis spoke with Peter Thayer from Hamshaw's regarding the Veteran's Hall attic energy retrofit that will be done. He will begin work soon.

The board reviewed and discussed the budget in preparation for Thursday's budget hearing. The total request is six thousand less than last year. The board discussed creating a capital reserve fund for the purchase of town property. There are two options to pay for property that has been offered for sale to the town. The whole \$113,000.00 can be a warrant article or the amount can be bonded and a capital reserve fund can be established and monies can be added to it annually to pay back the borrowed amount. The board will put the amount on the warrant as a bond and establish a capital reserve account.

Members of the planning board and the zoning board addressed the board and discussed the proposed budget for planning and zoning board (land use department). The requested amount is \$11,288.00. The selectmen and pb/zba discussed the budget and agreed to the amount.

Jonah Ketola addressed the board on behalf of the Cheshire County YMCA and applied for a building permit. The plan is to build an art center. The board discussed the state requirement of handicapped accessibility and Mr. Ketola will check with the state regarding the requirements and will get the information to the board for next week. There was also a voluntary merger application and the planning board will review the application.

Gillis informed the board that the deed that Mr. Edward Methe purchased in November from the town for the "Baker" property included the house. The town owns the land and the board will decide what to do with it in a future meeting.

The board discussed junkyards and the regulating of the junkyards. The board will work on it this coming year.

The board discussed the employee/volunteer recognition dinner. Gillis and Boncal will contact caterers.

There being no other business, the Board adjourned at 9:15 pm.