TOWN OF RICHMOND
N E W H A M P S H I R E
Office of Selectmen

January 22, 2015 Time: 7pm
PRE-WARRANT 2015
Selectmen in attendance: Sandra Gillis, Carol Jameson and Kathryn McWhirk.

Meeting opened at 7:09pm by Selectman Gillis.

The Selectmen presented the information by power point. Gillis presented the 3 bond articles that may be on the Warrant. The first is for a TAP grant and if the Town receives notice that they were not awarded the grant, this article will not be on the warrant. Gillis explained that once these articles are presented the legislative body will have one hour to cast vote.

K. Mattson represented the Municipal Building Committee by explaining the article to purchase land and building at 132 Old Homestead Hwy. It is the Committees belief that this purchase would benefit the town in its need for future expansion. It was noted that a recommended/not recommended notation was not on the slide. Gillis stated that this is recommended by the Selectmen and the Warrant will reflect that.

Selectmen Jameson spoke to the article to increase the Selectmen's stipend from $1500.00 annually to $2500.00 annually. She noted that she researched back to 1999 and there has not been an increase since before that date.

Selectmen Gillis explained the changing the Treasurer's position from elected to appointed. The Board stated it is their duty to ensure the Town's funds and it is difficult to do that when the position is elected and no real qualifications are noted during the election process. It was stated that the current Treasurer has all the necessary qualifications for the job.

Selectmen Gillis reviewed the proposed Operating budget, Non-Operating budget, and Trust additions. There were no amendments made to any proposed figures during the Pre-Warrant. Total proposed appropriations for 2015 = $1,078,106.00, an increase of $52,926 over 2014 approved budget.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35pm