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Town of Randolph
OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN
MINUTES OF MEETING – January 25, 2016

Members Present: Ted Wier, John Turner, Michele Cormier, and Linda Dupont

Guests: Kevin Rousseau, Lauren Bradley, Barbara Arnold

The meeting began at 7:05 PM.

Minutes of the January 11, 2016 meeting were reviewed and signed with corrections.

Vouchers were reviewed and signed.

DISCUSSION ITEMS AND MOTIONS:

Barbara Arnold appeared before the board on behalf of the Randolph Foundation. Barbara presented a letter to the board, dated January 24th 2016, stating the Randolph Foundation Board agreed unanimously at their quarterly meeting, held on October 18, 2015, to solidify its offer of financial assistance to the cost of dredging the Ravine House Pool area. The Foundation is willing to match up to \$20,000.00 towards the completion of the project. The Randolph Foundation Ravine House Pool committee would like to be present at all meetings relating to the project. Barbara provided contact information of committee members, so they may be notified of upcoming meetings.

The Randolph Foundation provides monetary help to our older residents in town by paying 50 % of the costs of their lifeline. Michele asked Barbara what the costs were and how many residents were provided with this service. Barbara estimated that 8 year round residents receive this benefit and it doubles in the summer months.

The board reviewed the 2016 Dispatch agreement with Gorham. There is a slight increase to \$ 16.35 per call over last year's \$ 16.12 per call. The agreement was signed and will be delivered to the Gorham Town Offices.

For budget purposes Ted reviewed the figures forwarded to the board in December on the upcoming EMS agreement with Gorham. The figures show an increase being passed on to the towns and the county. Final figures have not been sent and a 2016 - 2017 contract has not been received. This information is only for budget purposes.

Kevin brought in the signs picked up at the sign shop requesting truckers be considerate using engine brakes on Rte. 2. Kevin will contact the State for permissions and locations to place the signs and will post them when the ground thaws.

Linda contacted Troop F, inviting an officer to Randolph to speak with concerned residents regarding the recent break-ins in town. Troop F was very responsive and Trooper Jonathan Stevens will be contacting the town to set a date and time.

The board reviewed an application of a new resident for a Veterans credit. The term resident is defined as “resident of the State of New Hampshire for at least one year preceding April 1st, in the year in which the tax credit is claimed”. The board tabled the application.

Ted informed the board, he has been in communication with the town’s attorney regarding the letter received from NH DOT on the Class 6 bridge in town. The attorney is very familiar with this issue and he will review this again.

The board reviewed the 2016 budget line by line in preparation for the public budget hearing scheduled for February 8th at the Town Hall meeting room.

Kevin spoke to the board regarding residents with private alarms. There has been a rash of false alarms in recent weeks costing the town a dispatch call plus the time of an officer to investigate. He requested a policy be approved to handle the extra cost involved with these calls.

John Turner made a motion “Due to the high volume of false alarms with home security systems – the Town will pass the cost of the false alarms to the resident after the second false alarm”. Michele Cormier seconded the motion. All agreed.

John Turner made a motion to adjourn at 9:37 PM. Michele Cormier seconded. All agreed.

Randolph Board of Selectmen

Frederic Wier, Chairman

John Turner

Michele Cormier

Linda Dupont, Assistant to the Selectmen