

Tuesday, October 25th 2011

Town of Woodstock
Selectmen's Meeting
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Selectmen: Jim Fadden, Joel Bourassa, Gil Rand
Staff: Judy Welch, Douglas Moorhead, Steve Welch
Public: Deb Reynolds

Joel called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Jim seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

Deb Reynolds/Local Government Center:

Deb Reynolds reviewed a report that was filed by the Bureau of Security and the Secretary of State's Office against the Local Government Center concerning the appropriate reserve levels to be maintained by a risk pool. The report charges that the Local Government Center improperly used the excess surplus from the health and property insurance pools to subsidize a worker's compensation pool and many other things. Deb feels there needs to be some accountability and wants municipalities to be aware that this is taxpayer money and the excess surplus needs to be returned to them.

Storm Damage/List of Damage Sites and Estimates:

The Board reviewed the list of damage sites and estimates that Doug Moorhead submitted to FEMA. There are five sites that have been submitted. Doug has not heard back from FEMA as to whether they are going to cover any of them.

Sign NRCS Real Property Acquisition Form & Direct Deposit Form:

The Board reviewed and signed the Natural Resources Conservation Service Real Property Acquisition form and Direct Deposit form concerning the Lost River Riverbank Stabilization Contract.

Building Permit/O'Connell:

The Board reviewed and signed the Building Permit for Kurt O'Connell.

Minutes of the October 4, 2011 Meetings:

Gil motioned to accept the minutes of the October 4, 2011 Selectmen's Meeting. Jim seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

Jim motioned to accept and seal the minutes of the October 4, 2011 non-public meeting. Gil seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

Personnel Policy/Lawyer's Suggestions:

Joel explained that we had some employees refuse to sign and read the Personnel Policy that was revised on August 15, 2011. Given that, the Board of Selectmen took the step of sending

the town's Personnel Policy to the lawyer's office and asked that they review the policy and make all necessary changes and suggestions. The policy has been returned to the Board and a revised policy will be distributed based on these recommendations.

Budgets:

The Board reviewed the budgets for: Building Inspector, Emergency Management, Planning Board, Police Department, and Tax Collector. Jim motioned to approve these budgets and to present them to the budget committee. Gil seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

Other Business:

Signed Checks.

The Board reviewed a material estimate to replace our boiler. Joel motioned to table this and revisit at a later date. Gil seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

The Board reviewed the 2012 package pricing from Time Warner Cable.

Steve reported that there were problems with the water reader guns and he had sent them out for repair. He went on to say that the guns are working for now but he is not sure how long they will last. Our readers and guns are outdated and no longer manufactured. Steve stated that we need to start planning to convert all the obsolete meters to the touchpad meters.

Jim motioned to adjourn the Selectmen's Meeting at 8:42 p.m. Gil seconded and the vote was affirmative.