

**Selectmen's Meeting Minutes**  
**January 12, 2015 - Kimball Hall @ 6:00 p.m.**

Selectmen present: Rheaume, Ladd and Brooks: Charles King, Nicole King, Michael Brauer & Suzanne Goulet  
Robin asked if one of the other Selectmen would run the meeting, since she was still feeling the effects of her surgery and Tim Volunteered.

Tim started the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Charles & Nicole King/property closing.

Chuck Stinson spoke first to let the Selectmen know that the FD has been without phone service since last Thursday and they are still waiting.

Chuck also told the Selectmen that he has an interested Firefighter that will be moving to Stratford, is already on a Fire Dept. in a neighboring town and was wondering if the Selectmen would be requiring this person to have a physical or is the one that this person took in the other town okay. The Selectmen said the physical would carry over.

Charles Goulet asked who this person is and Chuck said it is Brad Woodward from Colebrook.

Michael Brauer said that a couple of meetings ago it was mentioned that if RSA's don't say it, it can't be done. Mr. Brauer gave the Selectmen copies of information on this issue.

Larry said that he has received information from Belmont on how they have refurbished their Bandstand. Larry also said that he will be looking into Grants. Tim told Larry that when he starts working on the Grants to go to the Fantastic Fridays Committee since they have a lot of history and information that they used for the Tillotson Grant and that he will be needing.

Suzanne told the Selectmen that Wendy did inquire at the First Colebrook Bank about the Credit Card for the town and that they only do Debit Cards. Suzanne also told the Selectmen that Citizens Bank called and said that the town would need to have a relationship with the bank in order to get a Credit Card with them. The Selectmen agreed to go with the Debit Card from First Colebrook Bank.

Brooks/Ladd (3/0 approved) motion to go with the Debit Card from the First Colebrook Bank.

Suzanne talked to the Selectmen about the Budget consisting of Town Buildings and Executive. With very few changes it was agreed upon to increase the Handyman position from 3 hours to 4 hours a week.

Suzanne told the Selectmen that Mike Lynch would like a key for the Town Garage so that he may store town signs, cones, etc. The Selectmen decided that he could store things in the Town Garage but he is a contracted service and they would like him to go through Chester to get the key when he needs to put something in or take something out and if this doesn't work they will revisit the issue.

[Ladd/Brooks (3/0 approved) motion to sign the Manifest and ordered the Treasurer to sign P/R Check #33999-34002 in the amount of \$938.98, DD P/R Payments in the amount of \$2,056.35 and A/Payable Checks #34003-34027 in the amount of \$14,021.95 at the Selectmen's Office on 12/29/14 (last week's manifest).

[Ladd/Brooks (3/0 approved) motion to sign the Manifest and ordered the Treasurer to sign P/R Check #34059-34061 in the amount of \$93.27.11, A/Payable Checks #34055-34058 & #34063 in the amount of \$2,049.10 at the Selectmen's Office on 12/30/14 (last week's manifest).

[Ladd/Brooks (3/0 approved) motion to sign the Manifest and ordered the Treasurer to sign P/R Check #34031 + 34032 in the amount of \$764.79, DD P/R Payments in the amount of \$1,878.88 and A/Payable Checks #34034-34042 in the amount of \$12,335.57 at the Selectmen's Office on 12/31/14 (last week's manifest).

Ladd/Brooks (3/0 approved) motion to sign the Manifest and order the Treasurer to sign P/R Check #34064 + #34080 in the amount of \$764.78, DD P/R Payments in the amount of \$1,874.16 and A/Payable Checks #34065-34079 in the amount of \$61,269.97 as presented on Agenda.

Recessed at 6:30 for the Informational Meeting on the Police Department.

Reconvened at 7:15 pm.

Suzanne spoke about a Grant the Chester is trying to get to do some repairs to the Town Garage since the roof needs to be replaced, Garage Doors need to be refurbished and their needs to be some insulation, all in the Garage area. Tim asked how much the Grant would be for and Suzanne said that it would be a \$30,000.00 Grant with 75%-25% Match which would cost the town about \$7,500.00. The Selectmen said that if we're going to keep the building than it needs to be kept up so go for the Grant and see if it's approved.

One of the Selectmen mentioned that maybe Chief Platt should come to the Town Meeting in case someone has questions for him.

Suzanne went over the Warrant Article with the Selectmen and it was decided that they would need to meet sooner than two weeks in order for this years Warrant Article to be done on time. The Selectmen decided to hold a Work Session next Tuesday at 3:30 at Fuller Town Hall (since Monday is a Holiday).

Documents signed between Meetings: Intent to Cut for Frances Ruch/Dawn & Mitchell Eskew/Richard Dupuis.

Signed by Robin only, Grant update from USDA.

Ladd/Brooks (2/0 approved) motion for Robin to sign the Grant as Chairman of the Board.

Signed Reservation Forms for Coos County 4-H/Cohos Historical Society.

Ladd/Brooks (2/0 approved) motion to approve minutes from December 29, 2014 with changes. Robin abstained since she was not present at the last meeting. Minutes from Library Trustee's Meeting were also available for review.  
Reviewed Resignation Letter from Claire Martineau as Library Trustee.  
Discussed Budget Hearing Date which will be Feb. 4, 2015 at 6:00 pm at Fuller Town Hall and if needed a second one on Feb. 9, 2015 at 3:30 pm at Fuller Town Hall.  
Reviewed Closeout Visit of Jan. 29, 2015 at 1:00-2:30 pm for Bordeau Rd. and Christie Rd. Grants.  
Reviewed Email from George Sansoucy.  
Discussed a note that a returning student will be going on DC Trip. The Selectmen decided to contribute more money to the Kiwanis for this student.  
Brooks/Ladd (3/0 approved) motion to donate to the Kiwanis for the returning student for DC Trip.  
Brooks/Ladd (3/0 approved) motion passed to adjourn meeting at 7:40 p.m.

Prepared by B. Ladd