

**TOWN OF ALLENSTOWN  
SELECTMEN'S OFFICE  
16 SCHOOL STREET  
ALLENSTOWN, NH 03275**

Sandra McKenney, Chairperson, opened the meeting at 6:30 pm. Present at the meeting: Carol Merrill, Selectperson; Thomas R. Gilligan, Selectman.

### **Non-Public Session**

Sandy made a motion to go into non-public session at 6:31 p.m. under RSA 91-A: 3, II (a). Carol seconded. Motion passed 3-0. Roll Call Vote: Chairperson McKenney – yes; Selectman Gilligan – yes; Selectperson Merrill – yes. Sandy motion to go back into public at 6:54 p.m. Tom second. Motion passed 3-0. Roll Call Vote: Chairperson McKenney – yes; Selectman Gilligan – yes; Selectperson Merrill – yes.

### **Public Hearing**

Sandy opened the public hearing at 7:00 p.m. on proposed January 1, 2008 changes to Transfer Station fees. For a complete list of the new fees contact Town Hall. Dump permits will be \$1.00.

### **Jasper Drive**

Mr. Dick Verville met with the BOS to discuss the relocation/acquisition grant for properties on Jasper Drive. Mr. Verville explained the process and town needs to be the one who does paper work, Town will own the property. Coop will donate other land in the area. Community Action Program will be administers. Mr. Verville will email the application tomorrow to Sandy and Sandy will forward the application to town counsel for review.

### **Library**

Cathy Vincevic, Librarian and Library Trustees, Laura Raymond and Kim Carboneau met with the BOS to discuss library warrant article. Motion made by Tom to accept the Library warrant article as written. Carol second. Motion failed 0-3. Roll Call Vote: Chairperson McKenney – no; Selectman Gilligan – no; Selectperson Merrill – no.

### **Fire Chief**

Fire Chief Chaput discussed receiving the balance of his Fire Chief pay. BOS will be discussing this on December 20, 2007.

### **Heads Pond Project**

BOS discussed the Heads Pond project with Fire Chief, Police Chief and Road agent Chris Roy. They have concerns with this project one being traffic concerns. Department Heads and Town committees will meet January 14, to express their concerns with the project. CNHRPC will be invited to this meeting. Landowners who abut the property will also be notified.

### **Police Chief**

Chief Mulholland met with BOS to give a briefing on last week's search on the missing hunter in Bear Brook State Park. Chief presented maps of the search areas that were covered. Chief also would like the BOS to sign a letter thanking Lt. Jordan from NH Fish and Game who did a very well coordinated job. He also kept the family very well informed, he took the extra effort. Fire Chief also stated his gratefulness to the Ladies Fire Auxiliary for everything they had done to help they are always here to help in every way. Fire Chief also informed the BOS that Associated Grocers had donated food for the searchers and volunteers.

**Public Hearing**

Sandy closed the Public Hearing at 8:18 p.m. on the changes for the Transfer Station fees. Motion made by Tom to revised the dump permit sticker cost to \$1.00 and all other fees as outlined in the public hearing. Carol second. Motion passed 3-0.

**Conservation Meeting**

Sandy stated that the Public Hearing for the conservation meeting on the 36,800 for the buy-out will be December 19, at 6:30 at Town Hall.

**Curbside Collection**

Sandy stated that the Public Hearing on curbside collection will be January 7, at 7:00 p.m. at Town Hall.

**Casella**

Bob Lee talked to Rick from Casella he stated that a check will be received by January 4, 2008.

**Sewer Commission**

James Rodger, Dana Clement, and Charlie Martel from the Sewer Department met with BOS to discuss the Sewer bond warrant article. Sandy asked if a guarantee from the septage money could go towards the bond. Mr. Rodger said no. Mr. Armand Verville is very concerned with this warrant article and can not support it. Considerable discussion took place. Motion made by Tom to recommend the warrant article from the Suncook Waste Water Treatment Facility upgrade as written. Carol second. Motion passed 2-1. Roll Call Vote: Chairperson McKenney – no; Selectman Gilligan – yes; Selectperson Merrill – yes.

**Road Agent**

Sandy asked Chris if he has a figure from Penacook for the solid waste. Chris stated no figures as of yet. Tom asked Chris why the tire for the packer was so much money (\$519.00) Chris stated it was a brand new tire plus delivery, it was not a recap. Tom asked Chris about the PO for preheat oil burner. Arrow equipment fixed the burner.

**Police Software**

Tom asked about the PO for the anti-virus software in the amount of \$736.97. Chief Mulholland stated it is an annual renewal and updated ant-virus software.

**Safe Routes to School**

BOS and Police Chief discussed the safe routes to school and what needs to be done to implement this safe route to school.

**Grant Writer**

Laura Scott left as the Town grant writer, Laura submitted a bill for \$1,000.00 however she did not fulfill her obligation that bill should not be paid. Jane Hubbard is now the new grant writer. Motion made by Sandy to pay Ms. Scott the \$1,000. Carol second. Motion failed 0-3. Roll Call Vote: Chairperson McKenney – no; Selectman Gilligan – abstained, Selectperson Merrill – no. Sandy withdrew her motion. Carol withdrew the second.

**Minutes**

Motion made by Sandy to accept the meeting minutes of 11/26/2007. Carol second. Motion passed 2-0. Roll Call Vote: Chairperson McKenney – yes; Selectman Gilligan – abstained; Selectperson Merrill – yes. Motion made by Sandy to accept the meeting minutes of 12/03/2007 as amended to *add Mr. LaValley being at the 12/3 meeting. Add Tom stated that they should do a warrant article compelling Sate and DES to take control of the Dam.* Tom second. Motion passed 3-0. Roll Call Vote: Chairperson McKenney – yes; Selectman Gilligan – yes; Selectperson Merrill – yes.

**Municipal Assessment Data Sheet**

BOS reviewed the MADS form for the equalization ratio that is due by December 17, 2007 to the Department of Revenue.

**Hardship Abatement**

BOS is reviewing an application for hardship abatement. Tom would like more information and would like someone from town get more information for the abatement.

**Planning Board Budget**

Motion made by Sandy to re-open the planning board budget for 2008. Carol second. Motion passed 3-0. Roll Call Vote: Chairperson McKenney – yes; Selectman Gilligan – yes; Selectperson Merrill – yes. This is re-opened due to the change in the escrow accounts. Legal changed to \$2,000.00, Planning Consultant to \$600.00 and Planning Engineer to \$1000.00 for a new bottom line of \$8251.00. Motion made by Sandy to accept the changes. Carol second. Motion passed 3-0. Roll Vote: Chairperson McKenney – yes; Selectman Gilligan – yes; Selectperson Merrill – yes.

**Town Hall Roof**

BOS discussed the leak in the Town Hall roof. BOS would like an update from Kelley.

**ADJOURN**

Sandy motion to adjourn at 10:15 p.m. Carol second. Motion passed 3-0.

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SANDRA A. MCKENNEY, CHAIRPERSON

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CAROL M. MERRILL, SELECTPERSON

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THOMAS R. GILLIGAN, SELECTMAN