

# Town of Lisbon, NH

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## Board of Selectmen Minutes 12/12/2013

### TOWN OF LISBON, NEW HAMPSHIRE

#### SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES December 12, 2013

SELECTMEN PRESENT: Mike Carver (MC), Conrad Farnham (CF), SELECTMEN'S OFFICE: Suzanne Tavernier

Opened the meeting at 3:00

Bills and Payroll Manifest were approved. MC made motion to accept minutes of CF 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted

PUBLIC: Members of the Nazarene church came in to ask about the property's current assessment. MC told the group they would have to talk to the Assessor first. They were told that the Assessor will be in the office on the 17<sup>th</sup>. Gene Fitchette asked if he could be contacted when he arrives on the 17<sup>th</sup> so he can come in to speak to the Assessor;

DEPARTMENT HEADS: Police-Chief Tavernier (JT) and Highway-Kevin Clement (KC) JT spoke to the board about concerns in regards to several current issues now plaguing the town. He spoke about the budget and the twenty five thousand the life squad is over budget, the law suits, real estate, closing that have been delayed and other current Life squad issues. He went on to say the board they have been making decisions that only the legislative body of the town can make. He cited the Board had voted to split the proceeds from the life squad revenue 60/40. With 40 going to the Fire Dept. and 60 going to the life squad, that they had no authority to do so. CF questioned this; they reviewed the minute from that meeting. JT said several mistakes have been made and suggested they need assistance to get through the pile of issues the town now faces. He asked if they considered increasing the scope of duties for Greg Colby, from Carol Coppola's office. MC said he agreed the amount of issue that needs to be addressed seems to be growing and they need help. KC gave input, stating he believes the town needs assistance and it would help all areas of concern. CF agreed. MC made motion to have Greg Colby take a larger roll to help out the town CF 2<sup>nd</sup> so voted.

CF brought up the Buffington Fund and the application process. MC and CF discussed requiring the applicants pick up the applications in person, so they can be reviewed before being turned in. There have been several applications coming from outside source that have been incomplete. MC stated he wanted the hospital notified that applications need to be picked up from the town by the individual. Those applications for assistance cannot come from a third party. The Lisbon Life Squad applications for Buffington Fund assistance will no longer be accepted. The individual must apply themselves the Board needs to see a complete application with all the financial information included. MC made motion to require the individual to apply in regards to the Life Squad. CF 2<sup>nd</sup> so voted.

DEPARTMENT HEADS: Highway-Kevin Clement. KC spoke to the Board about the remainder of the Highway Block grant and using the remainder to purchase material. He went on to state he is trying to level fund his budget, with that being said if his department has to give money toward the Life Squad 's budget he will not be able to purchase some of the material for next year and his budget will increase slightly. He went on to state that he has "given money" back the last two years and his budget is bare bone. KC stated if there were several storms before the end of the year his department would be looking for help to come in under budget. MC told KC to do the best he can and the Board will review the budget when complete.

Kevin stated he needs to speak to the Board in non-public in regard to a personnel issue. MC made motion to go into non-public CF 2<sup>nd</sup>

PUBLIC INPUT: Barry Lucas came in to speak to the Board about the building that collapsed and the time frame for removal. Mr. Lucas stated he was waiting because he wanted the river to freeze over first. The Board stated they had

concerns about debris falling into river. Mr. Lucas stated he could put up a snow fence to catch falling debris. He went on to state he was working on the crane and was hoping to have it delivered soon and would keep the Board up on the progress of the removal.

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Tax Collector-Jennifer Trelfa. Jenny spoke to the Board in regards to the town web page. She has a quote for a company out of Littleton, Notch Net. The current web page has a cost of around 1,400.00 a year, the new company will set up the web page and update its features for 1,800.00 but going forward it only cost around \$350.00 a year to maintain. CF made a motion to go with the new company MC 2<sup>nd</sup> so voted

NON-PUBLIC: Buffington Fund applications (RSA 91:a3III) CF made motion to go into nonpublic to review Buffington Application MC 2<sup>nd</sup> so voted.

PUBLIC: CF made motion to adjourn MC 2<sup>nd</sup> so voted