

**MEETING MINUTES
BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

NOVEMBER 17, 2015

TOWN OF ALSTEAD

The Alstead Board of Selectmen met in open session on Tuesday November 17, 2015 at 6:00 pm at the Municipal Offices. Members present were Joel McCarty, Rock Wilson and Chris Rietmann. Approximately 11 residents were in attendance.

Joel announced the meeting was being broadcasted.
Minutes were amended then approved and accepted.

Mike Gordon reported he noticed two men hanging around the building next to his business. When Mike approached these men and asked if they were police officers and to identify themselves, they responded they did not have to. They were police from Bellow Falls. Joel will look into this.

Joel has requested a proposal from two former DOT employees who have started their own business to design a plan repair on two of Alstead's bridges that are on the red list. After the selectmen review the designs they will make a decision about which direction will best suit the towns needs and if the town qualifies for state reimbursements.

David will be attending the meeting about the Boat Landing erosions concerns and what the Fish and Game grant can offer.

Joel reported that Mackenson, who we use for the Capital Reserve Funds and Trusts Funds was fined. The town's and library's money is safe at an investment bank in Kansas.

The Selectmen have met with all of the full time employees to review a change in their health care coverage. The selectmen are recommending going to a high deductible HSA plan. The selectmen will meet again with the employees to finalize their plan.

Joel reported there is a possible tower change for cell phones. The planning board will help as needed. It is a different tower and different company.

Joel and Priscilla Sawa have sent out job descriptions to the administrative office and plan to review these with staff next week.

Joel and Rich Nalevanko met with Lyndeborough's town administrator to discuss how this position would benefit the Town of Alstead. Chris and Joel agree they should continue to look into this position. Rich explained a Town Administrator is an at will employee hired by the selectmen.

Chris Rietmann reported in the course of reviewing the requirements for an out of state applicant to become a New Hampshire Certified Police Officer, it was determined that the applicant would not be eligible for Academy training set by the New Hampshire Police Standards and Training until August, 2016. The select board has decided they will not actively search for another candidate but if a trained officer who has all the NH requirements is interested in the position they would be interested. The selectmen and state police are working on a memorandum of understanding to assist in police coverage for the town.

Joel is working on a spreadsheet for distributing the remaining \$12,000 the voters agreed on for employee wage increases. He will share his thoughts once he has completed this.

Marge Noonan stated she hoped the police department will get their wage increases as they proposed.

Bobbie Wilson asked if the Patriotic line on the budget would pay for some of the Vilas Pool activities. Joel asked that she put together a proposal for the selectmen to review.

Jesse Moore report he will email his proposal to all the selectmen. Chris asked if this would address the ambulance billing concerns.

Meeting adjourned at 7 pm.