

The Alstead Board of Selectmen met in open session on Tuesday December 27, 2016 at 6:30 at the municipal offices. Chairman Chris Rietmann called the meeting to order at 6:30. Present members were Chris Rietmann, Rock Wilson and Tim Noonan. Tim led the pledge of allegiance. The minutes were read and approved. Chris moved to accept the Minutes as read and Rock seconded.

There was a brief discussion about the 2016 budget and possibly going over the budget. This is not the case and once the Warren Brook Restoration and Vilas Wages was deducted the 2016 budget was where it was supposed to be.

Chris Rietmann reviewed the possible warrant articles for the 2017 ballot. The board requested an electronic copy of the Capital Reserve Funds. Kelly will email them one tomorrow. The initial warrant articles that were discussed are:

1. A new capital reserve fund for Bell Hill
2. 10-wheel dump truck, either purchase or lease
3. Police Cruiser, either purchase or lease
4. ATV side by side. The AABC would like to start funding for this next year.

There wasn't a definite decision made on any of the warrant articles. The board is reviewing how much they plan to use from Unassigned Fund Balance and CRF. They initially discussed using \$150,000 out of unassigned fund balance but will finalize the exact amount in the near future.

The board asked if we had further information about the cemetery budget. Kelly answered Bruce hasn't met with Terry Knowles yet and he plans to meet her sometime in early January.

Carol spoke on behalf of the AABC and asked about the Town Clerk, Tax Collector's budget. The AABC feels the increase hours for the deputy would be beneficial and the remaining budget should stay as it is.

2017 Building Repairs were discussed and the Board plans on increasing the maintenance budget line and prioritize the work that needs to be done.

The Board and Kim Kercewich decided to establish a base line and add physicals for the fire department. \$3,000 will be added for active members only.

Kim also requested an additional \$3,100.00 to finish equipping the new fire truck. The Board agree to this.

Chris Rietmann spoke on behalf of the EMS grant. Carol Reller asked if Chris needs some volunteers to help write a grant. Carol feels it may be worth paying Southwest Regional to write the grant so the Town will avoid the risk of losing future FEMA money.

Tim asked why does the Town had to wait until the end of the year to receive the Vilas Pool wage reimbursement. Kelly answered this is when the treasurer starts to do the year end paperwork.

Carol spoke on behalf of having the AABC's opinion on the ballot. If the Board wasn't comfortable making a decision, then the AABC will petition for this. The Board felt it should be voted on at the deliberate session.

The new website was addressed and Kelly reported it is ready for the board to look at. It is scheduled to go live as of January 1st, 2017, and will include E-Reg, vital and dog licenses. Chris wants to see it first before anything is done. Kelly asked him to come in and look. The vendor is scheduled to finalize the E- Reg, vitals and dog licenses by Jan 1st.

Kelly asked the Board's permission to look into the Fall Mountain Dental plan for the employees. They agreed.

Chris Rietmann made a motion to enter into non-public RSA 91-A:3(b) Rock Wilson seconded. The board entered non-public at 8:27.

Respectfully submitted

Kelly N Wright