

TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN

Minutes of Meeting November 01, 2011

Present: Steve Davis, Francis Muzzey, and Catherine Stover

Also Present: Chief Kevin Kay, Kenyon Karl, Palmer Koelb, Steve & Patti Welch, Ellie Murray, Donna King, Carol Friedrich

Francis made a motion to open the meeting at 6:08 pm, seconded by Steve and approved. Francis stated that the Board uses the first 15 minutes to sign the checks.

Discussion of overtime on the Highway Department's time cards. Steve and Francis discussed signing the payroll. Francis stated that he felt the Highway Department failed to plan ahead and take time off ahead of the upcoming snow storm. Steve stated that he felt the Board did not plan ahead either and did not direct the Highway Department not work on Thursday or Friday in anticipation of the upcoming snow storm. Discussion of Francis' desire to adjust the workweek. Steve stated that this issue has been before the Board in the past, and has been not been approved; Francis stated he felt the decision was postponed as opposed to being denied. Steve stated that we cannot single out the Highway Department to change the work week. Francis suggested moving them to salary. Steve stated he is not opposed to that. No decision was made to change the work week or to change the Highway Department from hourly to salary.

Selectmen discussed costs/expenses related to the repairs of the International, which occurred shortly before it was put up for bid to purchase.

2 sealed bids for the International were received. Both bids were opened. One bid from Steve Coursey of Rumney, in the amount of \$1001.01, and a second bid from Jessie Reed in the amount of \$503.00. Both Steve and Francis agreed that because Randy is not present, they will wait to discuss the bids with him when he is present at next week's meeting. Selectmen stated that all bids are closed.

Chief Kay gave a status update. The cruiser will have snow tires put on in the next 2 weeks. He stated that Halloween was quiet. He told the Selectmen that the department has a busy case load, and are working on closing out some of them. Carol Friedrich asked the Chief what kinds of cases we have had in the last month. Chief Kay stated that we have had illegal dumping, burglary issues, in all different areas of the town, as well as the everyday calls such as speeding, barking dogs. Chief Kay stated that NH State Police have a suspect in the burglary and they are working on wrapping up an illegal dumping case. His advised residents to lock all doors and to report/call in incidents when they happen.

Steve Welch addressed the Selectmen. He stated that he understands the town now has title on the Young property, and has concerns about abandoned vehicles which have been moved from Archie Young's property to Lewis Young's property. Steve is making an official complaint. He stated that the vehicles are in a flood plain and feels they need to be moved as they contain contaminates that can be carried downstream. Selectmen requested the office send a letter to Louie Young of M/L 10-05-07, and request that the vehicles be removed no later than 12/01/11.

Steve Davis stated that he has spoken with Nancy Masterson regarding the Library Safety Form, and repairs/costs that they will need to put into their budget. Selectmen discussed a pot hole out in front of the library. Because it is a state road, selectmen requested that the office contact Cary Wetherbee. Next the Selectmen discussed the need to add an outdoor sensor light, first aid kit, fire extinguishers, no smoking signs, exit signs, and paints. Nancy will take the paints home until the next hazardous waste

event. Steve stated that he feels the total of these updates and purchases will be about \$600.00 which the library will need to budget for in the upcoming year.

Steve made a motion that Francis signs the Provan & Lorber Application for renewal of Groundwater Management Permit. Francis signed the Permit, and the office will forward the application to DES, Waste Management Division in Concord.

Selectmen reviewed the Order received from the BTLA regarding the matter of Comsteller v. Town of Wentworth which requires the parties to meet and attempt to settle prior to the scheduling of a hearing with the BTLA. Steve made a motion that the office write a letter to Mr. Comsteller to schedule a meeting as soon as possible to expedite the process no later than February 27, 2011.

Francis discussed the possibility of a TAN. Stated he has reviewed the printout that the treasurer prepared, and we will likely need to do one.

Selectmen reviewed &/or signed the following:

- Meeting Minutes of 10/25/11
- Highway requisitions, Summary of upcoming events
- Request to transfer from Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund
- MS-1 form & MS-60 from Crane & Bell
- Letter from legal to Paul Fitzgerald regarding WWA closure
- LGC Property Liability Trust renewal rates for Workers and Unemployment comp coverages
- Community Action Report (CAR) from DRA regarding visit of 08/30/11

Francis motioned to go into a Non-Public Meeting at 7:35 pm, per **RSA 91-A:3, II(a)** – Dismissal, promotion or compensation of any public employees or the disciplining of such employee, or the investigation of any charges against him, unless the employee affected (1) has a right to a meeting and (2) requests that the meeting be open, in which case the request shall be granted, seconded by Steve and approved. Selectmen discussed a 90 day review of an employee. Steve motioned to come out of the Non-Public meeting at 7:45 pm, seconded by Francis and approved.

Steve made a motion that based on the merits of her work, they give a pay increase of .75/hr to Darlene Oaks, the Town Clerk/Tax Clerk Assistant, seconded by Francis and approved. It is agreed that this increase will be made retroactive to take effective as of August 15, 2011. This decision is based on the fact that the 90 day review should have occurred August 15, 2011.

Francis motioned to go into a Non-Public Meeting at 7:48 pm, per **RSA 91-A:3, II(a)** – Dismissal, promotion or compensation of any public employees or the disciplining of such employee, or the investigation of any charges against him, unless the employee affected (1) has a right to a meeting and (2) requests that the meeting be open, in which case the request shall be granted, seconded by Steve and approved. Selectmen discussed Police Department schedules. Francis motioned to come out of the Non-Public Meeting at 8:10 pm, seconded by Steve and approved.

Steve motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:11 pm, seconded by Francis and approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine Stover

Minutes accepted by _____, _____, _____

**TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN**

Non- Public Minutes (1) of November 01, 2011 Meeting

Present: Steve Davis, Francis Muzzey and Catherine Stover

Also Present: Donna King

Francis motioned to go into a Non-Public Meeting at 7:35 pm, per **RSA 91-A:3, II(a)** – Dismissal, promotion or compensation of any public employees or the disciplining of such employee, or the investigation of any charges against him, unless the employee affected (1) has a right to a meeting and (2) requests that the meeting be open, in which case the request shall be granted, seconded by Steve and approved. Selectmen discussed a 90 day review of an employee. Steve motioned to come out of the Non-Public meeting at 7:45 pm, seconded by Francis and approved.

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**TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN**

Non- Public Minutes (2) of November 01, 2011 Meeting

Present: Steve Davis, Francis Muzzey and Catherine Stover

Also Present: Chief Kevin Kay

Francis motioned to go into a Non-Public Meeting at 7:48 pm, per **RSA 91-A:3, II(a)** – Dismissal, promotion or compensation of any public employees or the disciplining of such employee, or the investigation of any charges against him, unless the employee affected (1) has a right to a meeting and (2) requests that the meeting be open, in which case the request shall be granted, seconded by Steve and approved. Selectmen discussed Police Department schedules. Francis motioned to come out of the Non-Public Meeting at 8:10 pm, seconded by Steve and approved.

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TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN

Minutes of Meeting November 08, 2011

Present: Randy Morrison, Steve Davis, Francis Muzzey, and Catherine Stover

Also Present: Chief Kevin Kay, Kenyon Karl, Palmer and Deb Koelb, Ellie Murray, Donna King, Bobby Cass, Jay Hutchinson

Francis motioned to open the meeting at 5:35 pm, seconded by Randy and approved.

Francis motioned to go into a Non-Public Meeting at 5:35 pm, per **RSA 91-A:3, II(a)** – Dismissal, promotion or compensation of any public employees or the disciplining of such employee, or the investigation of any charges against him, unless the employee affected (1) has a right to a meeting and (2) requests that the meeting be open, in which case the request shall be granted, seconded by Steve and approved. Selectmen discussed a 60 day review of an employee. Steve motioned to come out of the Non-Public meeting at 5:47 pm, seconded by Francis and approved.

Selectmen agreed, that based on the merits of his work, they give a pay increase of \$1.00/hr to Joshua Thibault, Transfer Station attendant.

Selectmen told those that were in attendance at the meeting, that the Selectmen were waiting for a call from legal, and when/if they should receive that call, they would need to immediately go into a non-public meeting.

Selectmen discussed the possibility of needing a TAN. The town has received quotes from 2 banks, one for 1% interest, and one for .75% interest. Discussion of TAN amount, time frame of when needed, etc. Selectmen requested the office to call MSVB and see if they might be able to lower their quoted interest rate to .75%.

The Legal office called, and Randy motioned to go into a Non-Public Meeting at 6:10 pm, per **RSA 91-A:3, II(e)** – Discussion of pending or threatened (in writing) litigation against the Town or Town Officials, Board Members or employees, seconded by Steve and approved. Selectmen discussed legal issues. Randy motioned to come out of the Non-Public Meeting at 6:27 pm, seconded by Steve and approved.

Francis made a motion to re-open the public meeting at 6:30 pm, seconded by Steve and approved.

The public was called back in, and the public meeting continued. Donna King stated that she wanted to talk with the Selectmen regarding the kiosk for credit card payment of taxes for residents. Avitar has contracted with a company called Invoice Cloud. The Board stated that following their discussion with legal, that they revisit the issue next week. The Board stated that legal will be contacting her tomorrow regarding the contract review.

Donna said she has spoken with the Local Government Center, (LGC) regarding the dog licensing fees and penalties. Discussion regarding whether the town can increase the penalty for failure to license the dog by the deadline of June 20th. Currently the late penalty is \$25.00. Selectmen authorized to increase the penalty from \$25.00 to \$50.00. No change in the licensing fees at this time.

Chief Kay gave a status update, stated that they are taking complaints as they come, and working on cases currently before them. The department has ordered some ammunition, and he stated we will see a billing for that shortly.

Selectmen discussed truck bids. Francis discussed Randy 's recommendation to refuse all bids on the truck, as the bids were very low. Selectmen and Bobby also discussed putting the truck and sander on Craig's List with an advertised price of \$4,000.00. Selectmen approved.

Selectmen reviewed an Event application Form submitted by Martha Morrill for the Historical society. The Christmas Craft event will take place on December 3 from 9 am to 4 pm. Francis made a motion to have Randy sign the event application for the Board, seconded by Steve and approved. Selectmen waived fees.

Bobby Cass-gave a status update of the Highway Department. They have started on Atwell Hill, one culvert in today, will begin the gravel next. The mowing is completed, and the equipment has been returned. 30.5 hours were placed on the mower, which Bobby finished up mowing. Bobby and the Board discussed the sander that goes onto the 93 international. Also discussed the sander from the old truck, costs of recent repairs of the old truck. Francis asked if there is anything on the truck that can be used on our current fleet. Bobby said no. Board also asked about the new truck, Bobby said it is still being built.

Francis mentioned the old law books that the office recently updated with new replacements. Randy approves that Francis may have them.

Selectmen signed a Septic Design for Jay Hutchinson . M/L 05-01-08

Selectmen reviewed &/or signed the following:

- Vouchers
- Meeting Minutes of 11/01/11
- Highway requisitions, Summary of upcoming events
- Letter to Young re: removal of abandoned vehicles

Francis announced that Department budget workshops will begin on Tuesday, December 6, at 5 pm, and continue each following Tuesday in December until completed.

Selectmen discussed a letter/notice from Dubois & King regarding scheduling a site visit at the bridge to obtain field data. The will be meeting with Town Officials and abutters at the site to discuss alternatives and identify issues. Selectmen requested the office to contact D&K and give a meeting date preference of either Monday November 14th at 9:00 am or Tuesday, November 15th at 9:00 am. Kenyon Karl told the Selectmen he would like to be informed so that he could plan to attend as well. The office will notify him once a meeting date has been selected.

Steve motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 pm, seconded by Francis and approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine Stover

Minutes accepted by _____, _____, _____

**TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
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Non- Public Minutes (1) of November 08, 2011 Meeting

Present: Randy Morrison, Steve Davis, Francis Muzzey and Catherine Stover

Also Present: Joshua Thibault

Francis motioned to go into a Non-Public Meeting at 5:35 pm, per **RSA 91-A:3, II(a)** – Dismissal, promotion or compensation of any public employees or the disciplining of such employee, or the investigation of any charges against him, unless the employee affected (1) has a right to a meeting and (2) requests that the meeting be open, in which case the request shall be granted, seconded by Steve and approved. Selectmen discussed a 60 day review of an employee. Steve motioned to come out of the Non-Public meeting at 5:47 pm, seconded by Francis and approved. Selectmen discussed a 60 day employee review

Respectfully submitted,

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**TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
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Non- Public Minutes (2) of November 08, 2011 Meeting

Present: Randy Morrison, Steve Davis, Francis Muzzey and Catherine Stover

Also Present: Adele Fulton, of Gardner, Fulton and Waugh PLLC Law Offices

Randy motioned to go into a Non-Public Meeting at 6:10 pm, per **RSA 91-A:3, II(e)** – Discussion of pending or threatened (in writing) litigation against the Town or Town Officials, Board Members or employees, seconded by Steve and approved. Selectmen discussed legal issues. No decisions were made. Randy motioned to come out of the Non-Public Meeting at 6:27 pm, seconded by Steve and approved.

Respectfully submitted,

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Minutes accepted by _____, _____, _____

TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN

Minutes of Meeting November 15, 2011

Present: Randy Morrison, Steve Davis, Francis Muzzey, and Catherine Stover

Also Present: Kenyon Karl, Deborah and Megan Gelsi, Lisa and Olie Ames

Randy motioned to open the meeting at 6:04 pm, seconded by Francis and approved.

The Board signed bid notice letters regarding the 1993 Truck. No bids have been accepted.

The Board has received the preliminary tax rate from the DRA. Francis stated that he sees no reason to change it. It has been preliminarily set at \$20.00. Francis stated that this is an increase of 13%.

Steve Davis made a motion to use \$123,760.00 from the Fund balance to lower the tax rate. No second was given. Francis made a motion to leave the tax rate as set by DRA, at \$20.771, seconded by Randy and approved. Steve Davis reiterated that he is opposed to this motion and it was his desire to lower the tax rate by using a portion of the fund balance, as was done last year.

Francis stated he would like to get the complete DRA tax rate page in the upcoming town report, as last year, some parts were not included.

Selectmen discussed the 2012 renewal from the LGC regarding medical and life coverage.

Steve Davis made a motion that we publish all the names of those that are delinquent in taxes in the 2012 town report. Francis stated that he would also like it, but feels that it will be too many pages. Steve modified the motion to identify delinquent tax payers on a separate paper that will be handed out at town meeting and also placed on the website. Steve stated that he will volunteer the supplies and time to do so. Motion seconded by Francis, and approved.

Selectmen discussed the notice from the Ladies Aide that they are making holiday baskets, and would like to know if the Selectmen might know of anyone to be considered to receive one. The Selectmen gave the Administrative Assistant some suggestions, and Steve stated he will also give the office some suggestions.

Randy reviewed paperwork submitted by the Road Agent for a clutch repair for the truck. Selectmen approved the quote from We Fix It.

Selectmen discussed the Evans Bridge meeting. Dubois & King have scheduled the meeting for November 22 at 9 am to meet at the bridge with abutters, Highway Road Agent & Selectmen regarding schedule of events. Both Randy and Francis stated they will be there.

Deb Gelsi addressed the Selectmen with several concerns. She inquired about a large pot hole on Red Oak Hill and clearing the road during bad weather (she stated that the school bus has a hard time getting up the road in bad weather) Steve said he will speak with Bobby regarding these issues. The Selectmen asked her to let them know if this gets taken care of.

Deb Gelsi also stated that she received a letter some time ago regarding the removal of trees. She wanted the Selectmen to know, she gives her permission for the Town to do so, and requested that they leave the wood. Francis stated that Bobby has not yet obtained quotes; the Selectmen will let her know when a subcontractor has been scheduled to remove these trees.

Deb Gelsi inquired about the Transfer not being open on Sunday's anymore. She said she was very disappointed that it is closed on Sunday's. She stated that she was not previously aware that it would be closed on Sunday's. The Board stated that the public has been notified in many different ways – a notice in the paper in the Talk of the Town section, Wentworth's website, a survey was done (this was noted in the paper, as well as handed out at the Transfer Station), notice posted in the Town office lobby, Selectmen noted at the selectmen's meetings over a month prior to the closure. Selectmen asked if perhaps a friend/neighbor might be able to help her out. She stated that having the Transfer station only open on Saturday is a hardship, as she is not home on Saturday's. The Selectmen reminded her that this closure will be revisited again in the Spring. Deb Gelsi also inquired of whom she could file a FOIA with. The Board stated that she can do so to any sworn official.

Selectmen discussed pot hole in the road in front of the Library. Steve will check the pot hole, and update the Board. The Selectmen wondered if the State has fixed.

Selectmen reviewed and/or signed the following:

- Meeting Minutes of 11/08/11
- 2012 LGC Medical & Life Coverage and Rates
- Bid notice letters regarding the 1993 Highway Dept Truck

Francis motioned to go into a Non-Public meeting at 6:55 pm per RSA 91-A:3, II(c) – Matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person, other than a member of the body or agency itself, unless such person requests an open meeting, seconded by Randy and approved. Selectmen discussed issues related to a deeded property. No decisions were made. Randy motioned to come out of the Non-Public meeting at 7:10 pm, seconded by Francis and approved.

Steve motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:11 pm, seconded by Francis and approved.

Respectfully submitted,

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Non- Public Minutes (1) of November 15, 2011 Meeting

Present: Randy Morrison, Steve Davis, Francis Muzzey and Catherine Stover

Francis motioned to go into a Non-Public meeting at 6:55 pm per RSA 91-A:3, II(c) – Matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person, other than a member of the body or agency itself, unless such person requests an open meeting, seconded by Randy and approved. Selectmen discussed issues related to a deeded property. No decisions were made. Randy motioned to come out of the Non-Public meeting at 7:10 pm, seconded by Francis and approved.

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TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN

Minutes of Meeting November 22, 2011

Present: Randy Morrison, Steve Davis, Francis Muzzey, and Catherine Stover

Also Present: Kenyon Karl, Joshua Thibault, Ellie Murray, Palmer Koelb, Chief Kevin Kay

Randy motioned to open the meeting at 6:00 pm, seconded by Francis and approved.

Steve Davis signed vouchers, but due to a prior commitment, was unable to stay for the remainder of the meeting. Steve and Francis requested that the subject of Highway Department hours be placed on the Agenda for discussion at next week's meeting.

Selectmen reviewed and signed the Meeting Minutes of 11/08/11 and vouchers.

Francis discussed a letter received from Rumney regarding continued first response coverage of south end of Wentworth. Rumney requests that we contact them to discuss continuing coverage, and associated costs. The Selectmen discussed with Chief Kay. The Board requested that we contact the Fire Chief, Jeff Ames and discuss.

Kenyon discussed the meeting which he attended that was held today at Evans Bridge with Dubois & King. No Selectmen were present, but the Road Agent, Bobby Cass did attend. Kenyon stated that there was discussion in regards to repair of an existing "road" as an alternative option rather than the restructure of the temporary bridge. Francis discussed concerns-that this is not a class 6 road. Kenyon stated that the meeting is recorded and available to listen to.

Chief Kay stated that he has been notified that the 2012 price of NH DOT fuel will be \$3.13. He stated that in general, it is usually cheaper than on the outside, but should the local price drop lower than the state cost, they will buy locally. Also noted - Sgt Pivrotto is recovering from a back injury and will come back on board when able; Chief Kay will need to order some items such as patches, uniform replacements etc.; The cruiser will have snow tires put on soon; A computer in PD appears to have some issues, and he is unsure if it can be fix, may need to replace.

Chief Kay requested a Non-Public meeting tonight per RSA 91-A:3, II(b) – Consideration of the hiring of a public employee following the regular meeting.

Josh Thibault was in attendance and addressed the Board with issues/concerns that he has become aware of as a result of attending the certification workshop which he attended on November 10. He stated that the Transfer Station needs to have an active permit posted, the hours of operation need to be updated, the need for an operation plan that matches the permit with regards to the types of materials that are accepted at the Transfer Station. He stated that signage signs are needed , which can be ordered through NH the beautiful. He will look at the website and coordinate with the office in ordering. Says we need a roof coverage over the oil container. Other items needed: spill kit for oil (kitty litter would be acceptable). He stated that in his down time he has been separating the batteries- the alkaline need to be separated and can be disposed of for free. He has made a container for mercury –ie thermometers to be put in and can be disposed of for free; he will give the office the contact numbers. He also stated that starting Jan 2014 we will not be able to burn any construction items, only brush.

Josh asked about antifreeze- whether the town wants to accept. Josh stated that we will need a drum for collection, which can be provided by the State. Also asked where the materials (oil) goes to. Randy said that he believes Whitcher was doing this; that we were pumping and delivering to Whitcher. Josh stated that if they are certified to collect then that is acceptable. He also asked about oil that is there that has water in it, which makes it contaminated. Kenyon stated that he feels Pemi Baker will take it. Randy stated that he believes that Bobby has the metal which could be used to build around the oil container. Kenyon stated we should talk to Dan Woods of Pemi Baker Solid Waste. The Board thanked him for his time and the info, and he stated he will coordinate with the office in obtaining the needed supplies.

Board of Selectmen approved the purchase of 4 Christmas wreaths (\$9.00/ea) from Ray Welch for the Town Offices.

Francis motioned to go into a Non-Public Meeting at 6:50 pm per RSA 91-A:3, II(b) – Consideration of the hiring of a public employee, seconded by Randy and approved. Selectmen discussed the possibility of hiring a part time officer. No decisions were made. Randy motioned to come out of the Non-Public Meeting at 7:00 pm.

Randy motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:02 pm, seconded by Francis and approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine Stover

Minutes accepted by _____, _____, _____

**TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
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Non- Public Minutes (1) of November 22, 2011 Meeting

Present: Randy Morrison, Francis Muzzey and Catherine Stover

Also Present: Chief Kevin Kay

Francis motioned to go into a Non-Public Meeting at 6:50 pm per RSA 91-A:3, II(b) – Consideration of the hiring of a public employee, seconded by Randy and approved. Selectmen discussed the possibility of hiring a part time officer. No decisions were made. Randy motioned to come out of the Non-Public Meeting at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine Stover

Minutes accepted by _____, _____,

TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN

Minutes of Meeting November 29, 2011

Present: Randy Morrison, Steve Davis, Francis Muzzey, and Catherine Stover

Also Present: Kenyon Karl, Ellie Murray, Doug Muzzey, Palmer Koelb, Chief Kevin Kay, George Morrill, Larry King, Paul Smith

Randy motioned to open the meeting at 6:00 pm, seconded by Francis and approved.

Selectmen reviewed and signed the Meeting Minutes of 11/22/11 and vouchers.

Francis discussed that he had previously mentioned that the town could have delayed the transfer of funds to the Capital Reserve funds, suggesting that we could encumber the funds. However, he stated that per the RSA 35:12, December 31 is the Last day to transfer funds appropriated for capital reserve funds to trustees of trust funds.

Francis readdressed last week's topic regarding the Evans Bridge restoration which is currently under study by Dubois & King. Francis stated that per his research, it would not be possible for the town to use the access road discussed last week as an alternative route in place of restoring the bridge. He stated that it is not a Town owned road, but rather a privately owned road and as such the owner of the road would have to bear the costs of maintenance and care. Steve stated that he believes this to be a town owned road. Selectmen also discussed with Kenyon the concerns regarding the need to have resident and emergency access during the project. Steve stated that he would like to explore the options and alternatives with residents and come to a resolution. Selectmen discussed waiting until Dubois & King have completed their Engineering Study.

Solid Waste Training. Francis stated that he and Randy Rugar will be going together. Frank Karcher's training has been rescheduled for Dec. 15.

Selectmen signed a letter of support on behalf of North Country Council in support of their application to the US Dept of Agriculture for a Technical Assistance Grant.

The Board discussed a letter received from Bernie Waugh. Bernie stated that he would be willing to come to a meeting and discuss with the Selectmen the Statute changes and changes in laws that occurred in 2011, which will have an impact on Municipalities. The Board asked the office to see if Bernie is possibly available on Dec. 13.

Randy announced that the Holiday pot luck for our Departments is scheduled for December 13th, at 5:00-6:00 pm, followed by Selectman's Meeting.

Paul Smith was in attendance and asked the Selectmen about obtaining a 911 number for one of his family members. The Board directed him to speak with Chief Kay. Paul also inquired about signage on his road, Ellsworth Hill. He would like a speed limit sign and a Slow Children sign. The Board directed him to check with the Road Agent, Bobby Cass and determine if these signs are already on hand and if not to let them know so they can be ordered.

Chief Kay stated that he is still looking into replacing a computer that is no longer working in the Police Department. Also, snow tires still need to be put on the cruiser.

Doug Muzzey was in attendance and asked the Selectmen what could be done about the lack of high speed internet/broadband service in the town, as many areas do not have. The Selectmen suggested he talk with Chief Kay, as they stated that Chief Kay has done quite a bit of research on the topic. Steve Davis stated that while he has written to many legislative individuals to obtain support such as Jeanie Forrester, Kelly Ayotte, and Jeanne Shaheen, the Selectmen's hands are tied. Steve stated that he would be more than happy to support Mr. Muzzey, but at this point any efforts will have to go through the state, that the town has no power to resolve this issue on their own. Also discussed was the current Time Warner Cable contract that the town currently has with TWC. The board stated that although they had reservations when signing it, there were no other options at the time in terms of competitive companies offering cable/internet service. The Board stated that they are hoping that there will be some other options by the time the contract period is up 2019.

Francis discussed a light bulb that is out on the front porch of the Town Office building; we will need to purchase replacement bulbs.

Randy motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:02 pm, seconded by Francis and approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine Stover

Minutes accepted by _____, _____, _____.