

The Alstead Board of selectmen met in open session on January 5, 2016 at 6:30 at the Municipal Offices. Joel announced the meeting would be broadcasted by resident, Michael Gordon.

Joel McCarty, Chris Rietmann, and Rock Wilson were in attendance along with 12 residents. Minutes were approved with corrections.

Anne Cartwright gave a report about Silvo O.Conte. There is currently several bills that are being addressed through the legislation to determine changes RSA 121 and how it may affect the town and taxes. Anne is willing to be the town's voice if anyone is concerned with how this could potential affect Alstead.

There is currently two applications for police officers and interviews will begin next week.

Joel reported we have received one RFP for road siding mowing.

We received 4 fire truck proposals. A copy was given to each of the selectmen, one copy was left in the office and one copy was given to Carol Reller.

1. 3 copies were received for Ferrara Fire Apparatus.
2. 2 copies were received from Bulldog Fire Apparatus.
3. 2 copies were received from Valley Fire Apparatus
4. 4 copies were received from Lakes Region Fire Apparatus

Joel asked Kelly to invite Fred Ernest from Cold River Local Advisory Board to come to next week's meeting and talk about the Warren Brook restoration.

Joel announced there will be a budget meeting Wednesday January 6, 2016 at 8:15 at the municipal offices.

Bellows Construction finished replacing the door at the municipal office. The side door at the Town Hall needs repair and some posts have rotted away. Any heavy snow this year could potential cause it to collapse. Joel. Jesse asked if the back door that divides the fire station and the town hall be repaired and also the light on the granite post isn't working well.

Carol asked about the fire truck door work. Would this be a line item on the budget and not a warrant article?

Bobbie Wilson asked if there will be sand available for the public. It will be posted on the website once it is available.

Joel noticed Vilas Pool dam is full again. He isn't sure if it is clogged and needs to be cleaned out again.

Glenn Elsesser asked if he could put the old cruiser on Munibid. All three selectmen agreed he could do so.

Bobbie Wilson asked if her request for Vilas Pool Patriotic supplies could be included in the Patriotic Purposes in the general budget was approved. Joel answered yes this was approved.

Bobbie will give Linda and Kelly an updated list of approved credit card users for 2016 for Vilas Pool purchases. She also shared she spoke with the Sherburne's' about their concerns regarding the last wedding held at Vilas Pool. Bobbie and her committee will make necessary changes to control future issues for 2016.

Jesse asked about collecting unpaid ambulance bills for services provided. Glenn asked if the town could request proof of hardship for citizens failing to pay for their ambulance services. Chris would like to know how much we have billed for and how much we have collected. Chris would also like a monthly report. Linda will call EMS billing. At this time the town is not set up to collect for unpaid ambulance services.

Chris asked if there is any update about the Friendly Meals. He has a friend that may be interested in renting the facility. Joel recommended that all interested parties meeting and discuss this among themselves.

Joel shared he does expect Friendly Meal to petition a warrant article.

Meeting adjourned at 7:25.