

The Alstead Board of Selectmen met in open session on Tuesday December 20, 2016 at 6:30 at the municipal offices. Chairman Chris Rietmann, Rock Wilson and Tim Noonan were present. Chris called the meeting to order at 6:35. Tim led the pledge of allegiance. The minutes were read, amended and approved.

John Mann asked if the selectmen had considered proceeding with replacing the duct work at the Town Hall. He explained this would help save with heating costs. The selectmen didn't feel there was enough money to do this work this year.

Chris Rietmann reported that Police Chief Marcello D'Alessandor has given his resignation as of January 1, 2017, the selectmen asked Sargent Roger Landry if he and Marcello had made plans for this transition. Roger said he had and he will discuss these in a nonpublic.

Tim mentioned his concern about a negative employee's comment about living out of Town and he felt this was inappropriate to be said at a public meeting. The other selectmen agree with Tim and if this should happen again it will be noted in the meeting minutes.

The 2017 budget was reviewed and compared to the 2016 budget. To date the proposed budget is lower than last years but two of the selectmen felt they should look at adding the monies into some of the department lines. Tim said he is cautious to not use the same amount of money as they did last year. He went on to say the more they take away the less there is to going into fund balance and it is very difficult to make up this amount. The board would like another working session at next week's selectmen's meeting. At the next selectmen's meeting they agreed to have another working session.

Chris Rietmann made a motion to adjourn the public meeting, Rock Wilson seconded meeting adjourned at 7:50. Chris Rietmann made a motion to enter nonpublic RSA 91-A:3 II (a) at 8:00, Tim Noonan seconded.

Respectfully submitted,

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