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Ferrisburgh Selectboard Budget Meeting January 12, 2016 6:00 pm

Members present: Steve Gutowski - Chair, Loretta Lawrence, Jim Benoit and Jim Warden

Absent: Michael (Red) Muir

Visitors: Pam Cousino, Bob Peisch, Garrit Smits and Gloria Warden

The Chair, Steve Gutowski, called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Amend Agenda:

Loretta Lawrence moved to amend the agenda, as follows: 2) ANBARIC Update, 3) Fire Truck Contract, 4) Moderator Don Bicknell, 5) Budget and 6) Adjourn. The original agenda was 2) Budget, 3) Adjourn. Motion was seconded by Jim Warden. So voted.

ANBARIC Update:

Steve Gutowski updated the board on the recent meeting that he attended with ANBARIC. Future meetings will be warned. Pam Cousino will put together a list of the property owners along the route from Kingsland Bay to the intersection of Tupperø Crossing and Route 7. ANBARIC will then send out a notice of a meeting, date to be determined. This is still in the early stages and we are waiting for more information.

Fire Truck Contract:

Paperwork needs to be signed for the purchase of the new fire truck by both the Selectboard and the Town Clerk. Jim Warden moves to allow Steve Gutowski to sign paperwork for the purchase of the fire truck from Community Leasing Partners on behalf of the Selectboard. Motion is seconded by Loretta Lawrence. So voted.

Don Bicknell:

It was decided that we would dedicate the town report to our long term Moderator and to present him with a plaque and small gift at town meeting.

Budget:

There was much discussion regarding whether the Highway Contingency fund could be used to purchase a new $\frac{3}{4}$ ton heavy duty pickup. It was decided that it should be purchased separately. Either as an article on the warning to pay for it over 4 years, or as a line item in the budget for $\frac{1}{4}$ of the cost, to be paid over 4 years. If it is listed in the budget it would have to be purchased with a lease purchase agreement that has a non-appropriation clause.

Jim Benoit would like the Treasurer to look into pricing the workers compensation from a couple of other insurance companies since it seems high.

After much discussion it was decided that the insurance calculation for the people that don't carry the insurance, since they have coverage elsewhere, would not include the HRA portion.

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Garrit Smits, Treasurer, discussed the hours he felt he needed to do his job as Treasurer. Discussion ensued. Loretta Lawrence made the motion to increase the Treasurer's salary to reflect pay equal to 35 hours per week, effective July 1, 2016. Motion seconded by Jim Benoit. Motion passes 3-0. Jim Warden abstains."

Jim Warden moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m., seconded by Loretta Lawrence. So voted.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Cousino