

TOWN OF JEFFERSON
SELECTBOARD

December 12, 2016

The regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen for the Town of Jefferson was held at the Selectmen Office Monday December 12, 2016 at 6:30 pm

PRESENT: Kevin Meehan, Chair, and Tom Brady, and Cindy Silver(6:50), members comprising a quorum of the Board.

OTHERS PRESENT: Linda Cushman, Assistant to Selectmen, Chris Milligan, Fire Chief

Kevin Meehan opened the regular meeting at 6:45 pm. The Board reviewed and approved the bills for payment next week. The Highway and Transfer Station report was reviewed. The warrants were signed.

Tom Brady made a motion to accept the minutes of the December 5, 2016 Select Board meeting as written. Kevin Meehan seconded the motion. Motion carries.

Linda Cushman reported that she had contacted the bank to get an estimate for payments if a fire truck was approved, but hasn't gotten any information back yet.

Chris Milligan reported that he and Ron Antsy, Fire Marshall met with Dave Fuller. There is a short list of items that need to be addressed.

Cindy Silver asked what could the Town do to make sue this type of thing doesn't happen again. Does something else have to be added to a building permit. Perhaps a checklist to show what is needed by the Town and what other requirements are needed from other agencies. Chris was asked what other towns are doing.

There are a number of questions regarding the time spent on inspections, tent inspections, training and other fire department activities.

Chris said that all tents being used for public functions has to be inspected. As function tents do not require a building permit, perhaps a fee should be charged to cover the cost of inspections. The building permit fees were increased for this purpose. It was asked if there is a difference between a private tent or a business tent. No, if the tent is rented from a company.

It was asked how much time is spent on doing the annual school inspections. It is between 1.5 hours and 2 hours per building. There is a lot of time spent on research.

Chief Milligan said that he has filed with the State what is allowed for fireworks in Jefferson. Permissible fireworks are allowed. If at any time the Town wants to establish an ordinance regarding the use of fireworks this filing can be changed. There was a discussion on fireworks, the big issue as to who would be responsible for the enforcement of an ordinance if one was adopted.

There was a question as to the Fire Department writing a emergency plan for the Jefferson School. If the School is asking for an emergency plan the expense should be on the School District not the Town.

The Board discussed the information that Chief Milligan has provided them. They determined to be consistent that training should be pre-approved, and billing for inspection work should be done monthly.

Linda reminded the Board that the Planning Board would be holding a hearing on the new purposed changes for the Land Use Ordinance December 13, at 7:00 pm.

The next meeting will be December 19, 2016 at 6:30 pm

Tom made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Cindy seconded the motion. Motion carries.

Being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,