## TOWN OF KENSINGTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING

Kensington Town Hall 95 Amesbury Road Kensington, NH 03833 THURSDAY June 1, 2017 Meeting Minutes-Draft 6:00pm

In Attendance: Norman DeBoisbriand; Robert Wadleigh; Linda Blood

Others in Attendance: Scott MacDougall, Paul Bannister

Called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

Fire Department Chief Hiring Process-Outlined

Norman informed the public that when Charlie retired he stated that he was going to help with the transition to the new chief of the fire department, but the board just learned that the Asst. Fire Chief has resigned as well. Norman referred to section 4.17.1 of the Fire Department SOG's which talked about the process for hiring a new fire chief, which references a notice that will have to be posted at the fire department. The board would like to try to react to this as soon as possible to try to get the process moving. Mr. MacDougal expressed that there are no internal candidates for the chief position, due to time requirements.

Norman discussed the possibility of using the administrative fees in the fire department budget to help out with the administrative duties. The board understands that the chief position is paid based on the current point system and the burner permits issued.

It was explained that there are few members left on the department and no one can take the chief position at this time. The officers have begun to divide up the chief duties until a new one can be appointed and feel that they can handle these duties for the time being. The board discussed the options of adding the Emergency Management Director position to be in conjunction with the new chief position, and those present thought that was a good idea. Compensation for the position was discussed and will be worked on in coming work sessions with the fire department officers, as well as working on specific duties.

The board and the fire department members that were present worked out a few issues and will be holding another work session on the chief position. There was a fire call so Mr. MacDougall and Mr. Bannister exited the meeting. The board was very happy with the progress.

Norman was called this week by Lynne Monroe and she has asked to be on the agenda, the board will add her to the agenda for Monday the June 5, 2017.

Linda posed a question about a domestic animal and if it had suspected rabies would the Town pay for the preparation and courier services to Concord, NH, because it was a public health issue. Norman stated that the Fish and Game usually takes the wild animals to Concord. This will be discussed later.

## RSA 91-A:3, II (c,l)

Norman made a motion to enter into nonpublic at 7:14 pm. Bob seconded, all in favor. Norman made a motion to close the nonpublic and seal the minutes at 7:27pm, Bob seconded, all in favor.

The Recreation Committee has asked to be able to discuss the rebounding device issues with Primex directly. Norman made a motion to have Holly contact Primex to discuss the insurance issues, Bob seconded, all in favor.

Norman made a motion to close the public session at 7:31pm, Bob seconded, all in favor. Respectfully submitted, Kathleen T Felch