

Town Of Lovell

Selectmen's meeting minutes September 9th, 2008

Attendance- Rick Eastman, Bob Drew and Stephen Goldsmith. Larry Fox was also there.

1. Mark Moulton came in to inquire about the North Lovell Fire Station. He was upset because he had no idea that the building was going to be jacked up and he was also frustrated because he was told that if the department wanted new door the department would have to pay for this. The Town had put out to bid this project but no one responded. The Town had Larry ask Dick Fox if he could do this. Rick gave Dick permission to fix the building. Originally the plan was to raise the roof. When Dick looked over the project again he felt it was better to just jack up the building. Because the Town could only allot so much towards this project we decided to not replace the doors this year but instead to just fit the doors. We also had to replace the roof this year, which was unexpected. We all agreed that we need to do a better job with communications, but in our defense Larry was informed by Dick Fox Monday at 3:00 P.M. that he was starting the project; Larry then told Mark the next day.
2. We went into executive session under Title 1 405 subsection E to talk about the Koski property at 7:40. Buzz introduced to us some allied professionals.
3. We came out of executive session at 8:20 P.M. We voted to have some work done for the town by the allied professionals. We authorized counsel to expend an amount not to exceed \$1,000.00 for these ancillary services.
4. Buzz gave us copies of the 3 deeds he has just recorded: The one for the Danserau property, the Cope property and the Rogers property. These will be kept at the Town office.
5. The Cushman Pond project is moving along well. We received a copy of a letter from representative Sykes requesting swift action be taken so as to allow us to speed up the permitting process.
6. We discussed the fuel assistance program. Buzz told us that he had contacted MMA and basically we had three (3) choices on how to proceed:
 - a. Any donations made to the Town would have to be accepted by a special Town meeting. This might also create some accounting problems because as the money is expended we would have to list who we gave this money to.
 - b. If donations are intended to supplement an already existing account, like our General Assistance account it could be spent. The one draw back is that this money would be commingled and not specifically earmarked.

c. We could at next years annual Town Meeting or at a special Town Meeting create a local heating assistance program. The Town would vote to authorize the Selectman to accept and disburse these funds.

d. A donor could make a gift to a CAT program specifying funds be used in Lovell.

We decided that for this year we would go with the second option and have the money we receive put into the GA account. We will work on some wording for next years Town meeting to the establish an account as discussed in item c. We first wanted to see how well received this idea is and how many request we have this year.

7. We received a letter from MMA regarding the GASB regulations. A copy is in the minutes.
8. We received a dividend check from MMA workers comp for \$641.00 because of our reduced claims loss ration.
9. We received a letter from Massamont Insurance containing a CD with valuable information to assist us in case of possible hurricanes and damage relating to this.
10. We signed the warrant.
11. We reviewed the real estate transfers
12. We reviewed some requests for abatements, which we will pass on to Bob G.
13. We adjourned at 10:00 P.M.