

*Town of Atkinson
Board of Selectmen
Special Meeting
February 4, 2012*

Open Meeting:

Chairman W. Friel opened the Special Meeting of the Board of Selectmen at 8 AM on Saturday, February 4, 2012 in the Atkinson Town Hall.

Members Present:

W. Friel, Chairman
F. Childs, Jr
C. Schuster

Others Present:

W, Innes, Town Administrator
B. Snicer, Administrative Assistant
E. Stewart, Road Agent

Discussion:

Snow and Ice Control (A/C #43125)

Road Agent E. Stewart said that, since we have had such a mild winter so far, he would like to decrease the amount proposed for Salt/Winter (680.01) and contract Labor/Equipment/Winter (890.00) by \$10,000 each.

F. Childs made a motion to recommend that Selectmen support \$10,000 being deducted from both the Salt/Winter (A/C #43125.680.01) and Contract Labor/Equipment (A/C #43125.890.00) lines for the Highway Department. Second: C. Schuster. Vote: 3/0/0.

Care of Grounds (A/C # 45202)

E. Stewart told the Board that the tick population in Atkinson was growing rapidly, exacerbated by the relatively mild and snow-free winter we are having. He added that New Hampshire has the highest tick population in the country. He said that he received a quote of \$4,200 to treat all of the public grounds in Atkinson twice in 2012, and asked that the Selectmen support increasing Other Professional Services (390.00) by that amount.

W. Friel made a motion that the Selectmen support an increase of \$4,200 for Other Professional Services (A/C #45202.390.00) to treat the public grounds in Atkinson for ticks twice in 2012. Second: C. Schuster. Vote: 3/0/0.

Millstream Drive Bridge Repair (2012-19)

Road Agent E. Stewart noted that Article 2012-19, the Millstream Drive Bridge Repair, only had enough money in it to cover the proposed amount from Busby Construction Company of \$83,965. He said that there was a notation in the proposal (4) stating that "The Town is responsible to coordinate with the Hampstead Area Water Dept. for bypass or pressure reduction." Harold Morse, HAWC, indicated that the water company could install a bypass

valve, so that there would be no interruption in service to Millstream Drive, for \$2,500. Mr. E. Stewart asked the Selectmen to support an addition of \$2,500 to this article.

C. Schuster made a motion for the Selectmen to support an increase of \$2,500 to Article 2012-19 Millstream Drive Bridge Repairs. Second: W. Friel. Vote: 3/0/0.

Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Grants

W. Friel announced that the Applications for FEMA grants, Funding Codes 08410000-500574 for \$24,276.48 and \$5,832.11 have been accepted. This grant was for extraordinary Highway and Fire Department expenses resulting from the October 31, 2011 snowstorm. The Town should be receiving this revenue shortly.

Adjournment

C. Schuster made the motion to adjourn at 8:56 AM. Second: F. Childs. Vote: 3/0/0.

William G. Friel, Chairman

Fred J. Childs, Jr

Craig G. Schuster