

**Town of Newington, NH
Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, September 24, 2014 Town Hall 3:15pm**

Chair Jan Stuart called the meeting to order at 3:15pm.

Present: Chair Jan Stuart, Selectman, Rick Stern were present and Selectman Cosmas Iocovozzi was present via Face Time conference call. Also present was Martha Roy, Town Administrator.

Fire Department Ordinance Agreement: R. Stern moved to accept the agreement between the Board of Selectmen and the Fire Engineers that was mediated on Tuesday, September 23. Copy attached. C. Iocovozzi seconded this with all in favor.

New Business: J. Stuart discussed the need of a budget freeze for the 2015 calendar year. This would exclude all utility spending such as oil, diesel, propane etc. as well as items needed to maintain normal town operations. This is required due to the many large expenses facing the town in 2015 and beyond. Examples are: State transfer of Woodbury Avenue ownership to the Town, settlement or court costs associated with PSNH, Fairpoint and Sprague assessed value determination as well as the Library addition payment. **R. Stern moved to require a budget freeze for the 2015 calendar year excluding items needed to maintain normal town operations. C. Iocovozzi seconded the motion and all were in favor.** The Board directed M. Roy to send a memo to all departments alerting them of this requirement.

The Board requested the Town Administrator to draft thank you letters to Judge McGuire and the Fire Engineers for their time and effort into what will be a successful agreement moving forward for the town.

Adjournment: C. Iocovozzi moved to adjourn at 3:25pm. R. Stern seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Martha S. Roy, Town Administrator