

TOWN OF HILL
SELECTMENS MEETING
FEBRUARY 26, 2008

Present: Steve Farris, Mike Brady, Linda Henry (Assistant)
Mark Dow arrived at 7:00PM

ROAD AGENT: Dean presented some quotes to purchase a new sander. He has not been able to get parts for the old one and not having a sander is hindering operations of the department. The current sander is 18 years old and has been very expensive to repair. The department is unable to properly care for the roads with what they have now. It would be much more expensive to hire a contractor to do this at \$55/hour. Dean feels that this is an emergency situation and that we could take the money out of the Highway Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve since the Selectmen are agents to expend or use the block grant money to buy a new sander. Dean also stated that due to the lack of supply they did not have any salt for the last five storms which greatly hindered them being able to keep the roads in good condition for travel. They are now getting a different type of salt which is more expensive and not as efficient. Discussed various ways to solve some of the road issues, and the possibility of building a salt shed. After much discussion, the Board unanimously voted to purchase the new sander for \$9,800 to be taken from the Capital Reserve Fund.

FIRE DEPT: Chief Desrochers and Paul Guild came in to show the Board the tanker that they would like to purchase if the article passes at town meeting. They discussed all the details of the tanker which would cost \$285,000. They also discussed the possibility of getting another provided for ambulance service as the Town of Bristol is quite expensive.

TOWN CLERK: Desiree expressed concern about the lights in the town office hallway not working properly. She is concerned about the upcoming town elections. She also mentioned that the basement front office is very wet and has a foul odor and is concerned about mold getting to the documents stored in the basement. She pointed out that the IRS approved mileage rate is currently 50.4 cents and the Town is only reimbursing for 40 cents per mile.

MISC: Steve said the Town of Bristol would like to schedule a meeting to discuss the Borough Road Bridge Project on Thursday, March 6 at 7PM. Notice will be posted of the special meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30PM.

Respectively Submitted,
Linda J. Henry

Steve Farris

Mike Brady

Mark Dow