

TOWN OF HILL
SELECTMENS MEETING
JULY 7, 2009

Present: Mike Brady, Mark Dow, John Lynch, Linda Henry (Assistant)

HIGHWAY DEPT: All department members attended the meeting to discuss some employee policy issues. Since they are the only "full time" department they are the only employees eligible for most benefits. A new short term disability option was discussed. All three employees would have to participate in order to be eligible. The town would probably pick up the total cost for this as it is quite reasonable. Also discussed long term disability, but that would most likely require employee contributions and again all three would have to participate. Selectmen are working on finalizing the new employee policy manual and sick/personal time was discussed. Since Dean and Dale have been with the department for many years, they would not lose their accumulated time off, but this benefit will be reduced. Dean also asked about mowing around the fire station and the Board agreed that Ken should spend a reasonable amount of time on this area.

POLICE DEPT: Chief Kratz said the new cruiser is now in Maine. He was informed that there have been some complaints about trucks going through Dearborn Rd. despite the "no thru trucking" sign posted. Other general department business was discussed.

FIRE DEPT: Chief Desrochers said the fire truck that he was interested in is still available. The asking price has been reduced to \$79,000. Selectmen asked him to stop blocking Commerce St. unless there is a fire. He was asked to clean up the back yard area of the station.

GERRY DESROCHERS: Mike signed a request for money for the water project.

MISC: Branch Sanders was appointed as a Trustee of the Trust Funds. Steve Desrochers was appointed as Deputy Forest Fire Warden per the fire chief's request. An intent to excavate was signed for Bootjack Rd., LLC. (R6-8). A building permit was approved for William Baraby to build a new home on Poverty Pond Rd. (R13-6-1). A timber tax abatement request was denied for Lucy Natkiel (R13-30).

Respectfully Submitted,
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Mike Brady

Mark Dow

John Lynch