

**MINUTES OF FRANKLIN SELECTBOARD
TUESDAY, JANUARY 6, 2008 AT 7:00 P. M.
FRANKLIN SCHOOL LIBRARY**

PRESENT: Peter Kittell, Scott Choiniere, Jamie Boudreau, Lynn Paradis, Harvey Bushey, Lisa Larivee, Town Clerk.

Peter called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

INSURANCE:

Discussion on the VLCT PACIF insurance for property, liability, auto, ect. Price quoted of \$16,261 compared to Town and Country, current carrier, of \$20,403. Board decided to change to the VLCT PACIF coverage. Select board adopted the agreement and resolution which needs to be signed. Lynn made the motion for Peter to sign the resolution. Jamie second, all in favor.

HIGHWAY ISSUES:

Scott discussed a 6610 Ford tractor he has found at Champlain Valley Farm Supply. Cost is \$17,500 less the allowance for our trade in. It is 75-85 horse power with 4,738 miles. Scott will continue to shop.

The board talked about the options for getting a new truck. Lisa will get together specs from last year to get new pricing. Discussion held on the gas mileage of the new Mack truck. It is very high on gas consumption, but Harvey says there is a way to put a computer on it to reduce the horse power to get better gas mileage. This will be looked into.

TOWN HALL:

The blower on the furnace motor needs to be replaced per Blouins when the furnace was cleaned. It appeared that a mouse or chipmunk got into the blower and caused it to become twisted. They put a loaner on that they keep on hand temporarily. Blouins quoted a price of \$350. Board authorized a new blower to be ordered and installed.

LIBRARY:

Letter will be written to the library advising of the accepted budget amount for 2009 and the boards plan for the future. The board will level fund at \$26,000 and the library will need to self fund the balance and/or take the additional amount to the voters yearly for approval.

BUDGET:

The board did budget work for 2009. Discussed what the options were for Rescue Service article. Would like to reword the article so the money may be used to fund our service if needed not just to pay Enosburg when necessary. Need to look into the options for the E911 dispatch as well. The board is not happy with how the rate has risen greatly since start up in 2007.

Motion by Jamie/Scott to adjourn. All members voted in favor/meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
January 8, 2009
Lisa Larivee

NOTE: These minutes are not official until approved by the Selectboard at their next meeting which is scheduled for January 12, 2009. Minutes approved at the January 12, 2009 board meeting.

