

**MINUTES OF THE FRANKLIN SELECTBOARD
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 5, 2011
TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE**

Members Present: Peter Kittell, Harvey Bushey, Scott Choiniere, Lynn Paradis, Lisa Larivee, Town Clerk/Treasurer

Scott called the meeting to order at 7:05. Pledge of Allegiance was said

Auditor:

Jennifer Wright submitted a resignation to the board as town auditor. The board accepted the resignation and advised Lisa to post the vacancy to be reappointed on March 1 at town meeting.

BUDGET:

The board worked on the proposed budget for 2011. Some key points of discussion are below.

Health Insurance: Board discussed the cost increase of 17% on the health insurance. Review with Treasurer some options to make the insurance more cost effective for the town and employees. The board voted to change plans which reduced the town cost to an increase of 5% and increased the deductible to be paid by the employee to \$3000 from the \$1500 in 2010.

Ambulance services: Enosburg Rescue has purchased the ambulance from FRS and will off-set the monthly fee to the town by this amount divided by 4 years. Lisa will check with Polly for the exact monthly amount for 2011.

Office/Library: It has come to the attention of the town clerk that the office/library does not have an external connection for the fire alarm system if it is activated. The alarm sounds internally only. Lisa is getting pricing for the fire alarm and burglar alarm set-up to connect to a dispatch service.

Planning Commission: The budget has been set at \$1500 as the commission has received two grants to do zoning/town plan updates.

Paving: \$20,000 for Square Rd, Morses Line 1.5 miles approximately, Hanna Rd and Homestead Drive/Fire Dept parking lot.

New line item: The federal gov't has put new regulations on the highway street signs requiring them to all be changed by 2015.

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Harvey Bushey/Lynn Paradis. All in favor, motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lisa Larivee, Town Clerk
January 6, 2011

These minutes are not official until approved at the Selectboard's next regular meeting on February 14, 2011.