ASHLAND BOARD OF ELECTRIC COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES

August 28, 2012
ASHLAND UTILITY OFFICE
6 COLLINS STREET
ASHLAND, NH
7:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Daniel Vaughn, Kendall L. Hughes & Bobbi Hoerter

OTHERS PRESENT: Lee Nichols, Linda Pack, Robert Boyle & Paul Branscombe

CALL TO ORDER: Kendall called the Meeting of the Ashland Electric Commission to order at 7:00 P.M.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Kendall made a motion to approve as written, the minutes of August 14, 2012. Dan seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous.

OLD BUSINESS: Paul Branscombe attended the meeting to follow up on several issues previously discussed at other meetings.

A new telephone system was discussed (BayRing Communications). The current system is over 20 years old and is beginning to fail. New phones are desperately needed as several functions are not working properly.

Paul discussed the grant for the new Digital Radios. He advised the board that the Selectmen will review the grant and as long as it is made out correctly they will approve it.

Lee reported the Capital Reserve check from the Town Trustees was received and deposited into the Money Market Account to pay for the new truck recently purchased.
A letter from the Department of Transportation was received regarding turning off 11 out of 14 Street Lights in the area of West Street and the I-93 interchange area. Per the Board of Selectmen only 3 lights will be left on.

Discussion regarding the revised schedule from Bethann McCarthy of Gomez & Sullivan Engineering. The Commissioners agree to go ahead with the plan to reclassify the Squam River Dam from High Hazard to Low Hazard. Lee feels we stand a good chance to get the Dam classification changed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Kendall asked Lee to have some trimming and mowing done around the buildings. Kendall would also like to have the parking lot paved. Lee explained he would like to wait until the State’s Building is removed before taking on any paving.

Bobbi Hoerter asked the other Commissioners if the meeting time could be changed to 6:30 instead of 7:00 P.M. Kendall, Dan, Lee & Linda do not have any objection to a time change.

Bobbi made a motion to change the starting time of the Electric Department Meetings from 7:00 P.M. to 6:30 P.M. beginning with the September 11, 2012 meeting. Kendall seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous.

SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT:

None

NON-PUBLIC SESSION:

None
ADJOURNMENT: Bobbi made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:45 P.M. Dan seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

[Signature]
Linda A. Pack
Executive Secretary
Ashland Electric Department