ASHLAND BOARD OF ELECTRIC COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES

November 27, 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 & Sandra Coleman

CALL TO ORDER: Kendall called the Meeting of the Ashland Electric Commission to order at 7:18 P.M.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Bobbi made a motion to approve as written the minutes of October 23, 2012. Dan seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous.

Bobbi made a motion to correct the spelling error in the first paragraph under Old Business of November 13, 2012 minutes. The word sloor should be corrected to read floor. Bobbi made a motion to approve the minutes as corrected of November 13, 2012. Dan Vaughn seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous.

OLD BUSINESS: A new telephone system being looked into by the Town was discussed. The Electric Department has 6 phones and the Water/Sewer Department has at least 4 not including the pump stations.

The December 12th Budget Forum was discussed and all Commissioners will attend.

Lee reported to the Commissioners that he has compared our rates with the Town of Wolfeboro who has outsourced their Electric
Department. Our rates are currently 1 to 2 cents per kwh cheaper. 250 HPS Streetlights are $36.53 ours are half that price.

Lee also met with Graybar regarding LED Streetlights. He reported that a 250 Watt High Pressure Sodium gives 11,607 Lumens while a LED gives 13,145 Lumens. The High Pressure Sodium uses 304 Watts while the LED uses 65% less. The major drawback would be the price of replacements.

NEW BUSINESS:

The Streetlights turned off by the State on West Street and by the Interstate was discussed and Lee advised the Commissioners that complaints regarding a couple of near miss accidents came in from residents. Lee suggested several options the Commissioners could take, do nothing, turn on 4 lights or turn on all 11 and the Department would cover the cost.

Dan Vaughn made a motion to turn on 4 Lights out of the 11 turned off by the State and the Department will cover the cost. Bobbi seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous.

Dan requested that the Annual Report be written and placed in the Town Report this year. Financial reports were passed out for the Commissioners.

SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT:

None

ADJOURNMENT:

Bobbi made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 P.M. Dan seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda A. Pack
Executive Secretary
Ashland Electric Department