ASHLAND BOARD OF ELECTRIC COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES

December 23, 2014
6 Collins Street
ASHLAND, NH
7:00 P.M.

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Lee Nichols, Linda Pack, Normand DeWolfe and Sandra Coleman

CALL TO ORDER: Kendall called the Meeting of the Ashland Electric Commission to order at 7:03 P.M.

MINUTES: Bobbi made a motion to approve the minutes of November 25, 2014 with correction of the date on the second page. Dan seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous.

OLD BUSINESS: According to the latest news, PSNH cost will be increasing 7% which equals approximately 1.1 cents per KWH.

Lee advised the Commissioners that Leavitt Hill has been energized and he gave Linda the bills to enter. The Conduit and wire etc came to approximately $90,000. Lee will deliver the bills after the holiday. The new customer on Route 3 will be put off until spring and the Union Contract was not approved by the Board of Selectmen.

Lee would like to put off until the end of January the turn over of the Squam Lake Dam to the State of NH. It was the consensus of the Board to approve this.

The office panic buttons need to be tested and the Lineman Chief position needs to be posted. Dan suggested the posting on Zip Recruiter.
NEW BUSINESS:

Lee advised that we have some large trees that need to come down and he needs a 75 Foot Bucket Truck to take them down. He would like to rent this truck from Top Notch for 3 days and take them down himself. Dan made a motion to rent a 75' Bucket Truck from Top Notch for 3 days. Bobbi seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous.

The Village at Riverbend on North Ashland Road wants Lee to put some figures together because they want to put in 144 Solar Units. A lengthy discussion ensued regarding a surcharge for Solar Power on North Ashland Road. The consensus was that any surcharge for Solar Power should be charged to those who use a Solar Unit.

Linda Pack will check with Linda Guyotte regarding the Memo to transfer $25,000. Normand DeWolfe advised the Commissioners that January 15, 2015 is the Town Budget Hearing and January 14, 2015 is the School Budget Hearing. The Town Deliberative Session will be held on January 31, 2015.

Payroll & Accounts Payable Manifest Signed.

NON-PUBLIC SESSION:

None

OTHER BUSINESS:

Cooper Power has not set a date to change the Bushings at the Sub Station yet.

The Electric Commissioners will send a letter to David Singer requesting a definite time frame for the installation of the new billing program.

Lee advised the Commissioners that the Auditor, Mr. Harding will be here the second week of January and the report should be ready in time to include it in the Town Report.

ADJOURNMENT:

Bobbi made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 PM. Dan seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous.
Respectfully submitted

LINDA A. PACK

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Ashland Electric Department