

**Minutes of Selectmen's Meeting, Town of Freedom, NH 03836
Monday, August 24, 2015**

Present: Leslie Babb, Neal Boyle, Ernest Day, Jr. Selectmen; Karen Hatch, Town Adm.; Road Agent, Scott Brooks; Fire Chief/Transfer Station Manager Justin Brooks; Police Chief, Josh Shackford; town resident Bill Elliott.

Meeting called to order at 6:30pm, manifests were signed and mail was reviewed.

The Road Agent presented prices for a chip seal application on a portion of Ossipee Lane Road and Bennett Road. Pros and cons were discussed with this type of material. S. Brooks recommended waiting a year because of the cost. It was agreed and another \$250,000 be raised at Town Meeting; bond the rest to put asphalt on the entire length of both roads.

S. Brooks noted that he needed to verify with the engineer but that the bridge aid projects have been put off; the 4% gas tax for these projects was being spent elsewhere.

Babb asked for public comment and Bill Elliott noted the new handicapped gate at the ballfield and thanked the board.

Continuing with department head updates Chief Shackford gave his weekly update of calls and assistance to others. He also noted that he had received a thank you letter from Bill White on North Broad Bay Road for the removal of the sweat hut at the end of their road and for recent patrolling of the road.

Justin Brooks gave a brief update of the Transfer Station and Fire/Rescue Department. He did note that revenue for recycled metal is down so he will not have it pulled this year.

Scott Brooks reported that the mowing was done and they were working on the road shoulders. Bill Elliott did question the culverts on Durgin Hill and Brooks stated that they have not been installed yet.

Babb made a motion at 7:17pm to enter non public session under RSA 91A:3 II(a) and then with the Police Chief under RSA 91A:3 II(c). The board returned to open session at 7:50pm.

Babb stated that John Krebs would be willing to fill in for the building inspector this winter if necessary.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Karen Hatch
Town Administrator

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Leslie R. Babb

Neal E. Boyle

Ernest F. Day, Jr.