

Selectmen's Meeting
February 17, 2009
Bob Wormer & Bruce Frazer Present
Meeting Started at 7:00 P.M.

Ken Kinder came in to discuss the Trust Funds with the Selectmen. Ken had met with the Trustees and Selectmen on November 11, 2008 to discuss moving the stocks and long term investments to Wachovia Securities, the Trustees signed the paper work to do so on February 3, 2009 and the Selectmen signed the forms after asking a few questions. They were concerned about how the accounts would be handled. Ken said we would make a policy investment policy before any changes were made on the investments. Alicia Vosinek had planned to join the Selectmen for this meeting but called to say she was unable to attend.

John & Sandy land were in to discuss their property appraisals as well as the appraisal on John's parents land. John said they were out of town when the Assessor's held their meetings so they were not able to make an appointment. They were told to fill out an Abatement form and return it to the Selectmen by March 1, 2009.

The Selectmen signed the vouchers along with a use of Town Hall contract for the church for many dates. The Selectmen did not sign a request for use of the Town Hall for the Woodsville High School 50th class reunion. This does not come under the policy for use of the hall.

The Selectmen also signed the Budget and the Warrant of the Town to be posted at the Town Hall, Post Office, North Monroe Fire Station and the Library.

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 P.M.

Selectmen's meeting
February 24, 2009

Bob Wormer & Bruce Frazer Present
Meeting started at 7:00 P.M.

Signed manifests and a use of Town Hall contract for Marilyn Dickinson
Cindy told the Selectmen that she had received an Abatement from National Grid and forwarded it to Skip Sansoucey. National Grid feels that we should use the State's assessment verses the one that Skip Sansoucey did.

The Selectmen discussed the Abatement process. Mike Fournier from Brett Pervis and Associates will be here on Wednesday to start the abatement process. So far we have received applications for 14 abatements not counting the ones for the Power Company.

The Selectmen discussed having the State Police patrol the town for us instead of hiring an Officer. Todd Cohen has told them that we can hire State Police for a 4 to 6 hour block of time. We need to contact Twin Mountain to set this up. The Selectmen thought that this would be a good plan. It was discussed that they would have to do something about a Dog Officer as State Police would not handle that job.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 P.M.

Selectmen's Meeting
March 3, 2009

Bruce Frazer & Bob Wormer Present
Meeting started at 7:00PM

Signed manifests, Signed Forest Fire Warden Appointment for Maynard Farr, Russell Brown, Dick Cinnamon and Glen Wagner, signed a letter authorizing the Trustees to pay Brett Pervis & Associates \$1,333.00 from the Assessing Fund. The Selectmen signed a request to transfer 120,000.00 from PDIP to Woodsville Bank general fund and 4,000.00 from PDIP to Monroe Water Department.

Cindy Guibord asked about the Skating Rink, she was concerned about the bare pavement and thought it was an accident waiting to happen. She wanted to know if the contractor would have to pay to fix it or if the Town was responsible. The Selectmen said the plan is to raise the curbing around the outside of the skating rink sometime during the summer and the Town will probably have to pay for it.

Cindy asked the Selectmen if it was alright for Brian Turnbull and Eileen Brown to take the old slides from the Library and copy them onto CD's for the Library. The Selectmen have agreed to let them do this.

The Selectmen approved the updated paperwork for the Current Use of James R. Buss and Mary E Kugel.

The Selectmen went over four abatements that the Assessor's had done and approved what they had done.

Jody Oliver called to say that the street sign on Beth's Way is gone. Butch is going to wait for spring to see if it is in the snow bank before ordering a new one.

Todd Cohen was in to talk to the Selectmen about having the State Police cover the town of Monroe. If we do this there would be no contracts it would be a pay as you go deal. We would be billed on a monthly basis; you would have to do at least 4 hours at a time. We need to call Todd Landry at the Twin Mountain Office to set up dates; we should try to give them a couple weeks notice on when we want them. Todd suggested checking with Maynard as to what hours we should have them. Todd said if we pay for a 4 hour detail they will be in town for the full 4 hours unless something happens in another town and they are the closest trooper. We do not pay travel time for them coming to town or going home. The Selectmen have voted to have the State Police cover the town.

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 PM

Selectmen's Meeting
March 17, 2009

Bruce Frazer & Bob Wormer present
Meeting started at 7:00PM

Signed manifests, 5 contracts for use of town hall and one pistol permit for James Clark

Brad Bailey was in to see the Selectmen about the town crew pushing the snow banks and demolishing his stone wall. Bob recommended that next year he put up some markers so they will know where the wall is. Brad also asked if the Selectmen were going to be doing more work on the skating rink this summer. They said they were hoping to make the curbing around the rink higher so that we wouldn't have the problem we had this winter again.

Richard Adam submitted an application to put 56.72 acres into current use. The Selectmen had a few questions on it so Bruce will contact him to get the answers and they will look at it again next week. Bruce and Cindy Frazer also filled out an application to put 12 acres into current use which was approved.

The Selectmen reviewed a Building Permit for Barry and Dee Ward. Bruce will contact Dee Ward to get a few questions answered and the Selectmen will look at the permit again next we

Bruce is going to contact Todd Landry from the New Hampshire State police to set up a schedule for them to start working in town.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:30 PM

Selectmen's Meeting
March 24, 2009

All Selectmen Present
Signed manifests

Brian Turnbull was in to give the Selectmen an application for current use. The Selectmen reviewed and approved the application.

Dan Currier was in to talk to the Selectmen about cutting some trees behind his house so he has a better view of the river. He was told to make sure he did not cut trees on other people's property without their permission. He does not need to get an intent to cut as it is all scrub lumber which will be left where it is dropped.

Todd Landry was in to get the ball rolling on having the State Police patrolling the town. The State has covered West Stewartstown for 2 years now and it is going well. They will be doing four hour shifts in the town of Monroe. Todd Landry will be setting up the schedule and the Selectmen will not have a copy of it. They will bill us on a monthly basis. They will also do a report for us at the end of the year for the Town Report.

Carl Johnson was in to let the Selectmen know that he is now chairman of the School Board. He said they are ready to start working on the alarm system and wanted to know how to get the money from the Buffum Funds. The Selectmen said that all bills have to come to them for approval and then to the Trustees to pay. Carl also said that the School Board has signed a contract with Tom Maguire for three years as Superintendent and Principle.

The Selectmen looked at the Current Use application for Richard Adam and decided that the Assessor would have to look at the property before approving it. They also looked at applications for Loxley Ness and Gerry Ramback, more paper work is needed before they can be approved.

The Selectmen discussed Cemetery Lots. Bruce Frazer made a motion that a person has to live in the town of Monroe for five years before they can receive a free plot for 2. The motion was seconded by Bob Wormer. All in favor, motion passed.

Meeting ended at 10:15 PM

Selectmen's Meeting
April 7, 2009

Robert Wormer & Bruce Frazer Present

Meeting Started at 7:00 PM

Signed manifests

The Selectmen signed a letter authorizing the Trustees to pay Brett Purvis and Associates \$1,333.00 from the Assessing Fund.

It was discussed having the State Police do a record check for people applying for a pistol permit. Cindy had contacted Todd Laundry from the New Hampshire State Police and they will do this for us at no additional charge so the Selectmen have decided to have the State Police do the record checks for us.

The Selectmen approved Current Use Applications for Dan Powers, Greg Moore and Denise Crowley. They looked at a few other applications but need to have some questions answered so they were put off until next week.

The Selectmen approved an abatement for PJ and Noreen Blanchard.

The Selectmen went over the new contract with the Postal Department for the lease. They approved of the amended contract and signed it.

Meeting ended at 9:30 PM

Selectmen's Meeting
April 14, 2009

Robert Wormer & Bruce Frazer Present
Meeting started at 7:00 PM

Signed manifests, they also signed a Use of Town Hall Contract for Sonya Zuk for the 4_H Pinewood Derby.

Gerry Bedell called to see if Burrill Road was a town road, the Selectmen said yes it is.

The Selectmen signed to letters for the Trustees of Trust Funds. One letter was for them to pay George Sansoucey \$1,713.00 from the Assessing Fund and the second letter was to have them close the Highway Fund and transfer the \$4.53 to the General Fund, close the Cemetery Tractor Fund and transfer the \$179.26 plus any interest to the General Fund and also close the Water Department Capital Reserve Fund. These were voted on at Town Meeting.

The Selectmen signed a Timber Tax bill for Merle Jones.

Caryn Bonosevich was in to see if the Selectmen needed to approve moneys coming out of the High School Tuition Trust and the School Building Maintenance Trust Funds. The Selectmen said that the School Board had to approve those funds being spent.

The Selectmen approved Current Use Applications for Loxley Ness, Gerry Ramback, and Ray and Marie Bilodeau.

The Selectmen approved a pistol permit for Willis Lippard. When people apply for a pistol permit now the State Police are doing a record check for the town.

The Selectmen approved abatements for James and Pat Smith, Priscilla Powers, Loxley Ness and Bill and Betty Pinkham. They denied an abatement request for Gerry and Mamie Ramback.

The Selectmen have appointed Paul Regis as Sexton for North Monroe Cemetery. George Hall was elected to the position but declined.

Meeting ended at 9:00 PM

Selectmen's Meeting
May 5, 2009

All Selectmen Present
Meeting started at 7:00PM

Signed manifests, signed request to transfer \$160,000.00 from NHPDIP to Woodsville Bank General Fund, signed a letter to the Trustee of Trust Funds requesting them to pay Brett Purvis and Associates \$1,333.00 from the assessing Fund.

Brian Turnbull was in to give the Selectmen a copy of four CDs that he had done of pictures of the Town of Monroe from years past. He will be making copies for the Library to sell as a fund raiser for the Library.

The selectmen discussed how the work at the Well House was going. They have started work to get the new well up and running.

The Selectmen approved a Current Use application for Paul Bedell.

The selectmen discussed getting bids to replace the roof on the Post Office Building.

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 PM

Selectmen's Meeting
May 12, 2009
All Selectmen Present
Meeting started at 7:00PM

Joseph and Helen Laberge were in to discuss the appraisal on their home. They feel that the appraisal is too high and wanted to know what they could do about it. They were told at this point there is nothing they can do, they need to wait until the next tax bill comes out and then they can file an abatement. Abatement forms have to be in by March 1st. Sue Stuart was also in about her appraisal. Both Mr. & Mrs. Laberge and Sue Stuart were given abatement forms.

Bruce Frazer made a motion to go into nonpublic session at 7:15PM, seconded by Gerry Laflamme, all in favor. Gerry Laflamme made the motion to come out of nonpublic session at 7:40 seconded by Bob Wormer, all in favor.

The Selectmen signed the manifests, four use of Town Hall Contracts and two Timber tax forms.

Bruce said that Bob Mann from the DES was here today (Tuesday) to check on the progress with the new well. He was pleased with how things are going.

Chris Madden from the Postal Service called Tuesday morning to say that the lease amendment has been signed and we should receive it this week. This means that the Postal Service will be paying more in rent.

Meeting ended at 9:30 PM

Selectmen's Meeting
May 27, 2009

All Selectmen Present
Meeting started 7:00PM

Signed manifests, signed use of hall contract for Kelly Meckes, signed building permit for Rocky Bunnell

Rocky Bunnell was in to see if the Selectmen were making any changes on the appraisals this year. The Selectmen explained that they cannot make any changes at this point as we have not had enough sales to show that the appraisals are too high.

Rocky Bunnell also said that some water bars need to be put in on Hunt Mountain Road to get the water running properly.

The Selectmen discussed the work going on at the well house. Everything seems to be going as planned. Right now it looks like the job will be done on schedule.

The Selectmen approved Cindy writing a check to the Trustee of Trust Funds for \$3000.00 to replace the check written December 31, 2007 that was never deposited.

The Selectmen went over the list of jobs that need to be done this summer. We need to get the chimney pointed at the Town Hall, replace the roof at the Post Office, fix the curbing on the Skating Rink, get the wood boilers up and running and get the Town Hall parking lot paved. It looks like it will be a busy summer.

Meeting ended at 9:30 PM

Selectmen's Meeting
June 2, 2009

All Selectmen Present
Meeting started at 7:00PM

Signed Manifests, signed use of town hall contract for Kelly Meckes, and signed a letter authorizing the Trustees to pay Brett Purvis & Associates \$1333.00 from the Assessing Fund. The Selectmen signed an abatement for Richard Adam and also signed Building permits for George and Barbara Cobb as well as Bryan and Philip Ward.

The Selectmen discussed how the work is going on the Well House, it still looks like the new well will be up and running by June 30th.

The selectmen discussed the having blown in insulation put in the attic at the Library. Jeff Gomes is doing some electrical work at the library and was in the attic, he said there is very little insulation there. Cindy is going to call Trevor Bunnell for an estimate.

Cindy told the Selectmen that Mark Ober from Fish & Game was in the office on Tuesday going over the tax maps. Mark is the new Fish & Game officer for our area and is trying to get some knowledge on the area. The law is that if you are going to ride an ATV on other people's land you need to have written permission on you, if not it is a \$72.00 fine. He also wanted to know if we had an ordinance stating that ATV's could go on any town roads. We do not have an ordinance stating this so he will be stopping people and fining them for this also.

Meeting ended at 9:15PM

Selectmen's Meeting
June 9, 2009

All selectmen Present
Meeting started at 7:00 PM

PJ Blanchard, Dick Blanchard, Donna Mitton, Harold Woodworth, Josh Burrill and Rock Bunnell were in to talk to the Selectmen about allowing 4 wheelers to ride on some town roads. They would like to see Hunt Mountain Road, Canaan Road the Johnson Trail as well as part of Plains Road open for 4 wheeler use. The selectmen said they would contact the Local Government Center to see what the liabilities of doing this would be. The Selectmen are going to contact Mark Ober from Fish & Game and try to set up a meeting between him and concerned towns people.

Central Paving and Black Top have both looked at the skating rink and the Town Hall parking lots; they will both be giving us a bid and wanted to know when we would be opening them. We are still waiting on Pike Paving and Bigelow Paving to look at the jobs but will notify all bidders when bids will be opened.

The Selectmen went to the Well House as they were doing a test run with the generator. The new well is now ready to use and they wanted to know how things would go if we lost our electricity.

The Selectmen signed manifests, 2 intent to excavate forms, 2 contracts for use of Town Hall, and a cemetery lot approval.

The Selectmen denied one use of Town Hall Contract. A Resident had asked to use the hall one evening a month for a business meeting. The Selectmen denied this as it is a money making business for personal gain. The hall may be used for immediate family or for functions put on by the community and school.

The Selectmen received a copy of the deeds to do with the Roy Road project to review. They looked them over and agreed with them so Kevin Bruno will contact Attorney Garrison to wrap this matter up.

Lotha Riba was in to discuss a few things with the Selectmen. The first was placing political signs outside the Town Hall on voting day. Lotha had done this last fall and Denis Ward had told him this was not allowed. Cindy called the Secretary of State's Office to get the laws on this. Cindy was told that no political signs can be on town property and gave Lotha a copy of 664:17 that the Secretary of State's Office referred to.

The second item that Lotha wanted to discuss was the zoning laws. The Town of Monroe cannot have two family dwellings but we do have two or more families living in one house and we as tax payers pay to send these children to school. He thought that the way to solve this problem was to have a designation in our Zoning Laws to define these homes as two family homes which would give them more value.

The third item Lotha had was the Budget Committee and the School Board. Lotha does not feel that the School Board pays any attention to what the Budget Committee recommends and feels that the chair person for the Budget Committee should stand up at School District Meeting and explain this to the Town's people. Lotha also feels that the School Board is spending all its time on problems with the building and not spending any time working on how to improve student's grades. He feels that the Selectmen should talk to the School Board and try to get them working on some of the student issues. Gerry said that we have new administration coming in July 1st and let's see how things go then. He feels that the board is working hard and maybe with a new Administrator things will get better.

Lotha said he had called the Lancaster DOT Office to see about getting the winter sand removed from the Main Street area. They will be coming June 29th to do this. He suggested that the Town send a letter to them to have us put on a yearly schedule as he has called them for the last 25 years to have this done.

Dick Uncles, Vicki Smith, Butch Gibson and Bruce Frazer met with Doug Gibson and Butch Burrill today about things to do at the farms to help with the runoff. They really didn't find any problems at the Burrill's Farm. A few suggestions were made to Doug Gibson on things that could be done and how to go about getting grant money to help with the work.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 PM

Selectmen's Meeting

June 16, 2009

All Selectmen present

Meeting started at 7:00PM

PJ Blanchard was in to see if the Selectmen had any update on 4-wheelers using some of the town roads. Bruce said he had talked to an Attorney at the Local Government Center about this. They said that we could open up roads to 4-wheelers but it was not recommended. In order to do so you have to have a public meeting to discuss it first, but the discussion can be made by the Selectmen after the meeting. The Selectmen felt that they would like to meet with Mark Ober from Fish and Game to discuss the pros and cons to this before having a public meeting. PJ thought this was a good idea.

The Selectmen signed manifests, a request to transfer \$725,000.00 from Woodsville Bank to the PDIP account, and a letter authorizing the Trustee's to pay George Sansoucy \$225.00 from the Assessing Fund.

The new well is now up and running, the water from this well will be blended with the water in the other wells. We still have a few things to do but the well can be used now.

Carl Johnson came in to talk to the Selectmen about the roof job at the school. The School has awarded the bid to Lawton, they came in the lowest at \$231,572.52, and the other two bids were from Trumble Nelson and E. F. Wall. Lawton will be starting the job on Monday, June 22 and they need to have the job finished by August 26th or they will be paying the school \$750.00 for each day after that. If they have enough money when they finish the roof and alarm system they would like to insulate the ceiling in the whole building. While looking at this job they discovered that there is only about three inches of insulation in the ceiling. They would also like to paint the cupola.

Steve Sherman and Eileen Brown came in to talk to the Selectmen about having a Community Fall Festival the weekend of October 2nd. They would like to get the whole town involved and have it be like an Old Home Day. They would like to have a parade, children's activities, a lunch possibly put on by the Men's Club and a Chicken BBQ dinner put on by the church. They are talking about a bon fire in the evening with a band and maybe some fireworks. They have some great ideas and it looks like a great weekend.

The Power Company is going to donate a pole for the town to use at the skating rink to put a light on. The light will be on a timer so it won't be on all night. The old building by the Post Office was emptied out today and the Town Crew is going to try to move it down by the Skating rink to be used as a warming shack.

If anyone is interested in updating the Monroe Town History please contact Cindy Frazer at the Town Hall at 638-2644. Once we know who is interested we will set up a meeting to discuss how to go about doing this.

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 PM

Selectmen's Meeting
June 23, 2009

All Selectmen Present
Meeting started at 7:00 PM

Signed manifests, signed building permits for Joseph & Helen Laberge and Norman & Penny Stevenson. They also signed an authorization form so Monica could transfer \$1,000.00 from NHPDIP to Woodsville Bank Water Department.

The Selectmen opened the bids for paving the Town Hall Parking Lot and making a higher curbing at the Skating Rink. Pike's bid was \$24,150.00, Blaktop's bid was \$14,848.00, Bigelow Paving was \$15,500.00 - \$18,000.00, and Central Paving came in at \$14,900.00 - \$16,150.00. The job was awarded to Blaktop. Pike has also given us a bid on the summer paving and we are asking the other three to put in a bid for that job too.

Harold Woodworth and Josh Burrill were in to discuss the 4-wheelers using town roads. The Selectmen told them that a meeting is being set up with Fish & Game and the Selectmen so that they can get answers to some questions.

The Selectmen opened the bids for the Post Office job. Ward Construction came in at \$14,475.00 and J.M. McBey Construction came in at \$7,375.00. The job was awarded to J.M. McBey Construction.

The Selectmen also authorized Trevor Bunnell to make three bulletin boards with doors on them. One is for the Post Office and two for the Town Hall.

Meeting Adjourned at 10:00PM

Selectmen's Meeting
June 30, 2009

Bruce Frazer and Robert Wormer Present
Meeting started at 7:00P.M.
Public: Barry Nelson

Signed manifests, signed a letter authorizing the Trustee's to pay Brett S. Purvis & Associates \$1,333.00 from the Assessing Fund, signed a use of town hall contract for Cindy Frazer, signed an approval for an abatement for Gordon & Carol Blanchard, and approved a Current Use application for Richard Adam. Mr. Adam had his application in March 27, 2009 but the Selectmen did not approve it until now. The Selectmen signed a transfer approval to transfer \$500.00 from NHPDIP to the Water Department.

Barry Nelson talked to the Selectmen about 4 wheelers using Hunt Mountain Road, he wanted to know if they could legally do this, the Selectmen said they were in the process of looking into this. Barry said so at this time it is not legal and he was told he was correct. Barry said that three miles of the Canaan Road runs through his property and was wondering if the Town had ever considered throwing it up. In 1899 it was thrown up from the Back Road to the Bedell Place which makes this a dead end road. If the Town chooses not to throw up the road he would like to see signs saying NOT A THROUGH ROAD or DEAD END or a ROAD CLOSED sign on the Hunt Mountain end. Barry said he would send a letter to the Selectmen stating in writing his suggestions.

Jeff Geil was in to see the Selectmen about building dugouts for the Baseball Field. Bob said we would have to check with DES as the field is in the wellhead protection area. Bruce said he would call DES and get back to Jeff as soon as possible.

Rickey Ames was in to see if see if the Town had an Assessor. He was told that we do and he wanted to know why they were at his home when he wasn't there. The Selectmen asked him if he had added any additions, or buildings on as that would mean Gary was doing a pick-up. Rickey said he hadn't. He stated that he did not want the Assessor or any Town Official going to his home without calling first. The Selectmen told him they would find out why the Assessor was there and get back to him.

Bruce made a motion to go into non public session at 8:45 PM for welfare issues, seconded by Bob, all in favor. Bob made the motion to come out of non public session at 9:15 P.M., Bruce seconded, all in favor. No decisions were made in nonpublic session.

The selectmen discussed updating the Welfare applications. Cindy has been looking at what other towns have and has gone to a Welfare Workshop to find out what we need to do. The Selectmen will look at the suggestions next week.

The Selectmen discussed putting a Food Shelf in the old Fire Station. Mary Elise Thomas has discussed it with both Marilyn and Cindy; she feels that the town should have a Food Shelf due to the economy. The first step is to clean out the building. We will continue to look at this issue.

Meeting Adjourned
10:00PM

Selectmen's Meeting
July 3, 2009

Bruce Frazer & Bob Wormer
Meeting started at 11:00 AM

The Selectmen received a petition to open Plains Road to the top of Hunt Mountain and the Coppermine Road from Plains Road to the Water Tank Road for the use of 4-wheelers.

The Selectmen met with Mark Ober from New Hampshire Fish & Game to talk about 4-wheelers using town roads. Bruce said that he had talked to the Administrative Assistant in Pittsburg as part of River Road in that town is open to ATV'S. She stated that the Police chief is working with the ATV Club to try and find other ways for them to get around without using public roads.

Mark said if the Town of Monroe opened up roads to 4-wheelers that we would have to put out signage for speed limits, beginning of where they can ride and trail ends signs.

Mark was told that people feel he is targeting Hunt Mountain. He said that he goes where he gets complaints from and that he is getting complaints from a Hunt Mountain land owner.

Mark suggested that we call the Bureau of Trails for help. They will tell us exactly what we need to have for signs and how to go about opening roads if the Selectmen vote to do so.

We asked about the age limits for riding on public road. Mark stated that under the age of 12 they can ride on a public roadway with an adult but the adult has to drive the vehicle across the road for them, and they cannot have any passengers. 12 and 13 year olds have to be accompanied by an adult but can cross public roadways. They have to have a Safety Certificate and no passengers allowed. 14 to 17 years old need a Safety Certificate or Drivers License. They do not have to be with an adult and can carry no passengers. If you lose your license for any reason you also lose your rights to drive an ATV.

One suggestion that Mark made was opening all town roads with a certain speed limit and need to abide by all rules. This was a way for the town to possibly not have to buy signs, after discussing it they decided that signs would still be necessary.

Mark suggested calling the Bureau of Trails and talking to them about signage and implantation of highway operation of 4-wheelers.

The cost of registering a 4-wheeler is going up 33% next year.

Mark said he will come to a meeting with the Town and suggested that we have State Police there also to answer questions.

Selectmen's Meeting
July 7, 2009

All Selectmen Present
Meeting started at 7:00PM

Signed manifests, signed use of town hall contract for Michael Roy, signed an authorization for Monica to transfer \$3000.00 from NHPDIP to Woodsville Bank Water Department. The Selectmen also signed an A5 form removing ¼ acre from current use.

The Selectmen approved selling a cemetery lot to Wayne Wright; they also approved a lot for Todd and Sheila Chace. Howard Ward came in and got a building permit.

PJ Blanchard and Dick Blanchard were in to see what was going on with the 4-wheeler situation. They were told that the Selectmen met with Fish & Game Office Mark Ober on July 3rd. Mark was kind of indifferent about opening up town roads to 4-wheelers. He said that the speed limit for 4-wheelers cannot be over 15 miles per hour. PJ said he had no problem with a 15 mph speed limit, he felt that there were not any problems on the Plains Road with the 4-wheelers. Bruce is going to contact a man from the Bureau of Trails to find out what we will need for signage if the Selectmen decide to do this. The Selectmen are going to hold a public hearing on July 28th at 7:30 PM to discuss opening up a portion of Plains Road and a portion of Coppermine Road to 4-wheelers.

Bruce told Bob and Gerry that the Town Garage was broken into sometime Sunday night and 5 chainsaws were taken.

Bob Fagnant from Woodsville Water & Light called Bruce to let him know that he has retired. He will still be working part time for Woodsville Water & Light though. He said they do not have a contract with the Town of Monroe and they would like us to do a contract with them. They will send a sample one to the Selectmen to look at. The price for them will probably be increasing which means our water rates may have to increase also.

Bruce made the motion to go into non public session at 9:15PM for welfare issues, seconded by Bob, all in favor. Bob made the motion to come out of non public session at 9:50 PM, Gerry seconded, all in favor.

Selectmen's Meeting
July 14, 2009

All Selectmen present
Meeting started at 7:00PM

Signed manifests, signed letter authorizing the Trustees to pay Wanda Linzer \$28.75 out of the Monroe Clinic Fund for paint for the basement floor. The Selectmen also signed the yearly contract with Woodsville Ambulance and a contract with Woodsville Water & Light.

Cindy let the Selectmen know that Todd Cohen from NH State Police and Mark Ober from NH Fish & Game have both agreed to come to the Public Hearing about 4-Wheeler's using a portion of Plains Road and Coppermine Road. Mark suggested we contact our Attorney to see what the liability to the town would be if any. Cindy has asked Kevin Bruno to look into this for us.

The Selectmen discussed the Rules for the Cemetery's. There have been questions about the need of a vault if a person is cremated. Cindy talked with Larry Thomas about this and he suggested changing the rule a little. If the remains are in an urn that will not disintegrate than you would not need a vault. The Selectmen approved this change. The second question asked was about planting flowers and bushes in the cemetery. The rule has always been that any flowers had to be in a pot and not planted in the ground. The Selectmen agreed that all flowers and plantings have to be in pots unless approved by them. The Selectmen also discussed the plants that are overgrown in the cemeteries. The Selectmen are going to looking into this and sending out letters to the families. The last question was about putting another gate in the North Monroe Cemetery. The Selectmen do not feel this is necessary.

The Selectmen discussed getting the Wood Boilers hooked up. They would like to get it done sooner rather than later so if there are any problems they will have a chance to work on them before winter.

Meeting adjourned at 10:00PM

July 21 2009

All Selectmen Present

Meeting started at 7:00PM

Signed manifests, signed building permit for Charles Hammer, signed new cemetery rules, and signed a one year contract with Woodsville Water and Light.

The Selectmen looked at the bids for paving Mountain View Drive and Pine Hill. Bids were received from Blaktop, Bigelow and Pike. Pike was awarded the job.

Gerry said he had been asked by some residents about trash pickup. Some people's trash was not being picked up. Cindy told him she had also had a few calls about this and believes the reason is that the trash is not being bagged and Pete's Rubbish will not pick it up unless it is in a bag. The Selectmen asked Cindy to put a notice in the Bridge Weekly stating that all trash needs to be bagged or Pete's Rubbish will not pick it up.

Marilyn gave the Selectmen a list of people who have still not registered their dogs. The Selectmen authorized sending letters to these people; they will have to pay the registration fee, plus the penalty and a \$25.00 fine.

Deb Clough called and talked to Bob Wormer about putting another gate in at the North Monroe Cemetery. Bob told her the Selectmen had discussed it and decided that it wasn't necessary. She also requested that a trash pail be put at the North Monroe Cemetery. The Selectmen agreed that one should be there. They will get one up there as soon as possible.

Meeting adjourned at 9:20PM

Selectmen's Meeting

July 28, 2009

All Selectmen Present

Meeting started at 7:00 P.M.

Signed manifests, signed a request to \$1000.00 from NHPDIP to Woodsville Bank Water Department, signed a building permit for Richard Rodin. The Selectmen also signed a Land Use Change Tax Form for Rocky Bunnell and permission for the Monroe Bumper Humpers Snow Mobile Club to use Hunt Mountain Road for the coming winter.

Public Hearing

7:30 P.M.

This meeting is to discuss opening up a portion of Plains Road and a portion of Coppermine Road to 4-wheelers

All Selectmen Present along with Mark Ober from New Hampshire Fish and Game

Bruce Frazer opened the meeting by thanking everyone for coming; he stated that this was an informal meeting to get public input on a petition to the Selectmen to open up a portion of Plains and a portion of Coppermine Road to 4-Wheelers. This is an informal hearing and everyone can speak. We would like to discuss this only, it is for 4-wheelers not snowmobiles and unregistered trail bikes. This is to discuss opening the Plains Road from Gibson's farm to the top of Hunt Mountain and the Coppermine Road from Plains Road to the Water Tank Road.

Jericho Ward asked about the trails on the north end such as Canaan Road, the trail near the Mill's home and also one near his home, he was told that we are here to discuss the petition only. A petition was given to the Selectmen to open a portion of Plains Road and a portion of Coppermine Road.

Vicki Giella asked about the laws for 4-wheelers. Gerry suggested that Mark Ober from NH Fish and Game answer that question. Mark stated that at this time it is not legal to ride 4-Wheelers on any town road. A 4-wheeler needs to be registered if it is ridden on any property that is not your own. Fourteen and older can ride a 4-wheeler alone as long as they have a valid driver's license or have completed the OHRV course and received a certificate. If you are on private property you need written permission from the land owner with you. If any portion of town roads are opened to 4-wheelers there would be a 10 mph speed limit. If you are speeding you would be ticketed the same as if you were driving a motor vehicle. You can also be arrested for DWI on a 4-wheeler and you would lose your right to drive any vehicle if found guilty. Any laws that apply to motor vehicles apply to 4-wheelers also.

Merle Jones asked what the liability to the town would be. Bruce told him that we had checked with both Kevin Bruno and the Local Government Center and they said there was no liability, it would be the same as driving a car on town roads. Merle asked if the ATV owners needed insurance. He was told it is not necessary in the State of New Hampshire to insure any vehicles.

PJ Blanchard stated that the reason this petition came to the Selectmen is that a few people hunt up Hunt Mountain Road, out the Johnson Trail and out by the Water Tower and would like to be able to continue doing this. People are going to have to police themselves to be able to do this. We need to follow the rules and be wise about what we do. If we don't follow the rules the Selectmen can take this away if they let it happen to begin with.

Jennifer Hall asked if the Selectmen had talked to any other towns that do this. Bruce said he talked to the Administrative Assistant in Pittsburg who said that the Police Chief was not fond of the idea. He is working with the ATV Club and Landowners to come up with routes that will keep them off the public roads. Gerry said this town is different as many landowners do not want 4-wheelers on their property.

Dick Blanchard introduced himself as a landowner and president of Monroe Snowmobile Club. He said that this would be local access only, people are not going to trailer in their wheelers for a one mile road, local people have done this for 50 years now we need to have permission so we don't get fined.

Gerry said the petitioners were told if the Selectmen agreed to do this it would be on a trial basis. We want to see how this is going to go, if people are buzzing up and down the road and abusing this it would be stopped.

Rocky Bunnell said that basically what people are asking for is things to go back to what we had before. People want to just go about their lives as they have in the past. The top of Hunt Mountain is a dead end so we won't get a lot of people coming into town to ride it will be the locals.

Don Thomas said for most of us who live on Plains Road we have had some 4-wheeler traffic but it has not created a problem. It could become more difficult if we open it up as we have cow's walking from Burrill's Farm up the Coppermine Road and back every day, we also have a lot of people that walk on the Plains Road, and just the normal activity around the cemetery. We don't want to open the door to have very many 4-wheelers on the Plain Road.

Julie Hall asked how long will the trial period be for. The Selectmen did not have an answer to this question. They have not discussed it yet.

Cindy Frazer asked about being on land without written permission, if there are complaints about this will it stop the 4-wheelers using public roads. The Selectmen said they would look at it on a case by case basis.

Merle Jones asked about access from Harley View Drive and Hammond Development. He said the Paul Bedell and Bruce Frazer have control over that. Bruce said that this is a concern of his. Merle said that Bruce has not had any problems in the past, Bruce said that is not true but he has handled them.

Vicki Geilli has a concern as a driver having young children (age 14) driving these on public roads. Rocky Bunnell said a lot of our 14 year olds are from Farm Family's and are very responsible. Gerry Laflamme said we could have situations with children on skateboards and bikes also.

Mary Choate asked if they would be riding on the edge of the road or in the middle of the road. Gerry stated that it would be in the driving lane with traffic. It would be the same as following a tractor you can pass it if it is safe to do so. Bob Wormer said they will have to yield to cars.

Don Thomas said he would encourage the Selectmen to do this on a trial basis.

PJ Blanchard thanked the Selectmen for taking the time to have the meeting and considering this.

Larry Cate feels that if the Selectmen open this portion of roads than all town roads should be open to 4-wheelers. Jericho Ward feels the same.

Gerry Laflamme wanted to let people know that the new well is up and running, the water is being blended so we shouldn't have problems with nitrates in the water anymore.

Special Hearing ended at 8:45PM

Selectmen discussed the Special Hearing, no decision was made.

The Selectmen discussed the Harvest Day in October. Gerry said he has some pallets that he will donate for the bonfire. Gerry also said he thinks he will be able to get donations for fireworks.

The Selectmen are going to a meeting in Franconia on Wednesday evening. The meeting is being put on by North Country Council and it is about Workforce Housing.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 P.M.

Selectmen's Meeting
August 4, 2009

All Selectmen Present
Meeting started at 7:00PM

Signed manifests, signed use of hall contract for Carol West.

John Smires has offered to build dugouts for the ball field. The materials will be donated by the Home Depot, all the town will have to pay for is the concrete. The Selectmen have approved doing this.

The Selectmen discussed putting some blown in insulation in the Library attic and making the vent in the front of the building smaller. They decided that this should be done as it will save on the heating bill and will take the money out of the Building Maintenance Fund. Trevor Bunnell gave an estimate of \$3,060.00 to complete this job. The Selectmen have given the job to Trevor Bunnell.

The Selectmen discussed opening up a portion of Plains Road and a portion of Coppermine Road to 4 Wheelers. Bruce Frazer made the motion to open Plains Road from Gibson's Farm to the top of Hunt Mountain and the Coppermine Road from Plains Road to the Water Tank Road to ATV 4Wheelers. Robert Wormer seconded the motion, all Selectmen in favor. Motion passed. This will go into effect as soon as we can get the signs so the roads will be posted properly and will stay in effect until December 31, 2009 and revisited in the spring.

The Selectmen told Cindy to call John Hanks and have him start work on repairing stones in the old section of the North Monroe Cemetery.

The Selectmen have decided to sell the Police Cruiser. Cindy needs to get hold of Maynard Farr or Todd Landry and see how to do this.

Bruce Frazer made a motion to go into nonpublic session at 9:30P.M. for the purpose of Direct Assistance, Gerry LaFlamme seconded, all in favor. Bob Wormer made the motion to come out of nonpublic session at 9:50 P.M.

Selectmen's Meeting

August 11, 2009

Robert Wormer and Bruce Frazer Present

Meeting started at 6:00 P.M.

The Selectmen were in at 6:00 P.M. to meet with the Auditors to go over the 2008 audit. Randall said he was very happy with the improvements made over the last year. He would like the Selectmen to get a monthly report from the Trustee's of Trust Funds. He also would like the Selectmen to sign off on each time sheet not just on the vouchers.

Cindy contacted the Selectmen on August 4th to have the sign authorization for the Trustees to take \$133,408.38 from the Buffum Fund to pay the Lawton Company. This is a partial payment for the new roof at the school. They also signed an authorization to pay Brett Purvis \$1,333.00 from the Assessing Fund. This was done on Wednesday as the contract with the school and The Lawton Company says the bills will be paid by the 20th of the month. Cindy told the Selectmen that the check to The Lawton Company went in the mail today.

The Selectmen signed the manifests and went over the water reports. The water test results were all good.

Bruce made the motion to go into nonpublic session for direct assistance at 7:25 PM, Bob seconded. Bob made the motion to come out of nonpublic session at 7:45 PM, Bruce seconded, Both in favor.

Jon Warzocha called Bruce today. He had been at a meeting and Norman Harris from Gilford Well Company was there so he showed him the piece of pipe that we had a problem with and asked him if he knew what the problem was. Norm thinks that the State needs to revise the requirements on the type of pipe that we use, we should have the same standards as the larger Municipal Systems. Norm did take the pipe with him and is going to contact the company where he got it. Jon said we have a few options

- 1) Call Gilford Well and have them put the pressure on their supplier
- 2) Send a piece of pipe out to be tested which will cost about \$500.00
- 3) File a complaint with the Water Well Board
- 4) Check the soil around the pipe, Soil Conservation people would probably do that for us
- 5) Check wall thickness of the pipe, there is a company in Massachusetts that does this but it is very expensive

The Selectmen said they would start by getting hold of Norman Harris from Gilford Well Company and hopefully they can get this problem solved.

Arnold Smith came in to see the Selectmen about getting a building permit. He filled out the application and the Selectmen approved it.

Bruce has been trying to get hold of Bill Gegas about the signage for 4-wheelers on the Plains Road and Coppermine Road. He has not been able to get hold of him but will continue to try. The roads cannot be open to 4-wheelers until the signs are in place.

John McNally came in to see the Selectmen about his property taxes. He said his taxes had gone up about 40% and was wondering why. The selectmen explained that the town had been reevaluated and most everyone's taxes had gone up. Mr. McNally asked how often the town has to be reevaluated. He was told that the state requires it every five years.

David Choate Jr. was in to sign a contract for use of the hall which the Selectmen approved.

Meeting adjourned 9:00 PM

Selectmen's Meeting
August 18, 2009

All Selectmen Present
Meeting started at 7:00 P.M.

Tom Maguire and Karl Johnson were in to talk to the Selectmen. Tom introduced himself to Bob and Gerry as they had not yet met. They discussed how to tell if someone is a resident of the town. In the past parents have been asked to prove residency by giving a voter registration card or other things that prove residency. They will still be asked to prove every year but there will be a few changes. The Selectmen will be getting a list of the student's names to check also. If anyone is questioning if a student is a resident contact Tom Maguire at the school and he will have the Grafton County Sheriff's Department investigate. Tom said he would like to see the town and school work together; we are all one community and should have a good working relationship. He thought that the Selectmen and him and or the school board should meet quarterly. The Selectmen thought this was a good idea. Gerry said it was a breath of fresh air listening to Tom.

Karl Johnson told the Selectmen that the work on the building is suppose to be done on Thursday with a walk through on Friday. If any of the Selectmen would like to see it stop by on Friday.

The Selectmen signed manifests, a use of town hall contract for Bobby Ann Fearon, Linda White and Cathy Currier. They also approved a cemetery lot for Wayne and Bobby Ann Fearon.

The culverts on Grange hall Road that need to be replaced will be done on Thursday August 27th with a rain date of Friday August 28th. The Grange Hall Road will be closed all day well the job is being done.

Bruce said he had talked to Norm Harris from Gilford Well about the pipe that we had a problem with, Mr. Harris recommended that we send a piece of it to be tested along with some of the grout that was used. Bruce will contact Jon Warzocha about this.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30PM

Selectmen's Meeting
August 25,2009
All Selectmen Present
Meeting started at 7:00 P.M.

The Selectmen signed the manifests, a use of Town Hall contract for Regina Webster and a one-month extension for the MS1.

The Selectmen looked at the list of people who have still not registered their dogs. They would like Marilyn or Cindy to contact the Sheriff's Office and have them handle the situation now.

The Selectmen discussed the coverage for the Town Clerks Office when Marilyn is out. Marilyn will be taking vacation in September and Laura Fearon and Cindy Frazer will be covering for her. The problem with this is that neither of them work in the office very often so they aren't sure how to do some of the jobs. Marilyn will work on making a manual that will help whoever is working.

Wayne Fearon was in to talk to the Selectmen about the town water system. He wanted to know if we could put less chlorine in it. The Selectmen said they would look into it. Bruce will call Bob at Woodsville Water and Light and ask him about it.

The Selectmen discussed the Direct Assistance for the Town of Monroe. The application has not been updated in a number of years and they think it needs to be. Cindy has gotten applications from other towns, which the Selectmen looked at. They made some suggestions on what they would like to see. Cindy will get something typed up and back to them as soon as possible.

Bruce said he had heard from Bill Gegas from the Bureau of Trails and they will supply the signs for the town for roads which are open to ATV 4-wheelers. The roads are open now even though the signs are not up. The speed limit is 10 MPH.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:30 P.M.

Selectmen's Meeting
September 1, 2009

Bob Wormer and Bruce Frazer Present
Meeting started at 7:00 P.M.

Skip Sansoucy was in to talk to the Selectmen about the Utilities assessments. Most of the Utilities have increased in value even though the land value is the same as last year. Skip has left a copy of the assessment in the Selectmen's office and anyone is welcome to look at it when the office is open. Cindy is in the office Monday through Thursday from 8:00 A.M. until noon. Skip also discussed the elderly exemption with the Selectmen. He suggested that the town put \$30,000.00 into the budget next year to do an study on this subject. We need to find out how many elderly people own homes in Monroe, how many of them could lose their homes due to the economy and what it would take to keep them in their homes.

Merle Jones came in and the Selectmen asked him to give Carl Hilgenberg a 911 address for his land on Coppermine Road.

The Selectmen approved building permits for Maynard Farr, John McNally and Raymond and Joan Flint. They also signed the manifests and a authorization to transfer \$375,000.00 from NHPDIP to Woodsville Bank General Fund.

Karl Johnson from Monroe School Board was in to talk to the Selectmen about the roof situation at the school. The flat roofs are leaking now and the contractors feel they should be taken care of this fall. Karl asked if the Selectmen knew if these roofs have ever been replaced, they did not know. Karl said the contractors had given three different estimates on this job. The first quote to patch the roof was going to be around \$10,000.00 and they did not recommend this or guarantee this at all. The second option is to replace the membrane which will cost about \$50,000.00 plus any damage planning on \$10,000.00 to \$15,000.00 and the third option is to put on a pitched roof with synthetic slate like the other roofs with an estimate of about \$120,000.00 to \$130,000.00. If it is decided to do the roof to the cafeteria at the same time that would be another \$20,000.00. The School Board will be meeting next week at their regular meeting and they will be discussing what to do then. Karl did ask the Selectmen if they would consider giving the school more money from the Buffum Fund for this job. The Selectmen do not think this is a good idea. The School Board will have to have a special school district meeting to raise the money if they decide to go ahead with this project. Karl said the air quality test was done at the school on September 1st and the results will be back in about 10 days. They also did an energy audit and were told they were losing about 40% of the energy. The gaskets on the walk in freezer need to be replaced, the building needs more insulation, and two compressors in the kitchen need to be replaced, the weather stripping on some of the doors also. Karl said he will come to the Selectmen's meeting on September 14th to give an update after the school board meets.

Bruce said that the Pellet Boilers are now piped into the buildings. The inside work is not done yet, they hope to start this part in the next couple of weeks.

The Selectmen looked at the new Direct Assistance application. They voted to approve the use of this application effective immediately.

Meeting Adjourned at 10:30

Selectmen's Meeting

September 8, 2009

Bruce Frazer & Bob Wormer Present

Meeting started at 7:00 P.M.

The Selectmen signed the manifests and a building permit for Gerry Laflamme.

A person contacted the Selectmen's Office to see if the Selectmen could post when the cows would be walked on the Plains Rod. The Selectmen said they would have to check with Mark Burrill's about this it is not a town issue.

Bill Gegas from the Bureau of Trails called and said we should be receiving our signs for 4 wheelers on public roadways this week as they are in the mail.

Bob made a motion to go into nonpublic session at 7:15 P.M. for the purpose of Direct Assistance. Bruce seconded, all in favor. Bruce made the motion to come out of nonpublic session at 8:00 P.M., Bob seconded, both in favor.

The Selectmen authorized the Trustees to pay Brett S Purvis and Associates \$1,333.00 from the Assessing Fund and to pay The Lawton Company \$16,591.62 out of the Buffum Fund. The Selectmen were told with this payment to The Lawton Company the school has now received the \$150,000.00 from the Buffum Fund.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted;

Cindy Frazer

Administrative Assistant

Selectmen's Meeting
September 15, 2009

The Selectmen met with Todd Landry from the New Hampshire State Police on Monday at 7:30 P.M. They thought they were meeting on Tuesday night but Cindy got the date wrong when she talked to Todd. Todd wanted to know if the Selectmen were happy with the service we are getting. The Selectmen said they thought things were going well. The Selectmen have not had any formal complaints about State Police covering the town. Todd said if we had the State Police cover the town again next year the rates would be the same. Todd asked for some information on the Harvest Festival and Cindy gave him a copy of the tentative schedule. Todd will check to see if the State has a Child Find program or other programs that we might be interested in having that day.

Tuesday September 15, 2009
Meeting started at 7:00 P.M.
All Selectmen Present

Jeff Gomes was in to discuss putting an Aqua phase system in for the town water. This system would allow us to control the flow of the new bedrock well which now has to be manually operated about every 12 hours. To put this system in will cost approximately \$5,800.00. The Selectmen approved putting the system in.

Joyce Cate was in to talk to the Selectmen about the school roof. She wanted to know if the Selectmen could tell her where the School Building Maintenance Trust Fund has been spent. She thought there should be some money there to help with fixing the two flat roofs. She is concerned about having a special school meeting as the tax rate cannot be set until the meeting is held. If this is held up for very long the Selectmen might not have the money to pay the town bills and the town does not have a TAX ANTICIPATION NOTE.

The school has asked for two more keys to the Town Hall for use in an emergency. The Selectmen has agreed to this and Bruce will get the keys to Tom Maguire. Carl Johnson also asked if the Selectmen could go to the meeting on the roof on September 16th.

The Selectmen signed the manifests and a building permit for Brad & Kathy McClintock.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:30 P.M.

Selectmen's Meeting
September 22, 2009
All Selectmen Present
Meeting started at 7:00P.M.

The Selectmen signed the manifests, two pistol permits, a use of Town Hall contract for Winston Currier (North Country Chorus) and Sonia Zuk(4-H). The Selectmen also signed a building permit for Pete and Gerry's Egg Farm.

Peter Zambon was in to talk to the Selectmen about the skunk problem in Harley View Development. He was wondering if the town had ever thought about baiting them. The Selectmen did not feel this was an option as the cats and dogs would probably eat the bait.

The Selectmen discussed the envelopes for tax bills and water bills. They decided that this is an unnecessary cost to the town and when we run out of them they will not be replaced.

The Selectmen signed an A-5(Current Use Form) for Bill and Betty Pinkham.

The Selectmen appointed Gayle Wormer to be the Town Health Officer and Robert Wormer to be the Deputy Health Officer for the town.

Cindy told the Selectmen that the town has received notice that New England Transmission and New England Power have filed an abatement with the state.

Bruce told the Selectmen that Russell Brown brought the fire truck up to Doug Gibson's farm Monday night to check where the water in the catch basin goes. It goes into the drainage system as designed.

Bruce also let the Selectmen know that Pike Paving was here on Friday and built the curbing on the skating rink . The rink should hold water this winter. They discussed where to put the light for the rink so it would not bother the neighbors.

Cindy reminded the Selectmen that there is a special school board meeting on Wednesday September 23rd at 7:00P.M. to discuss the roof repairs and other repairs that need to be made to the building.

Meeting adjourned at 10:00PM

Selectmen's Meeting
September 30, 2009

All selectmen Present
Meeting started at 7:00 P.M.

The Selectmen signed the manifests as well as a use of Town Hall contract for Keith Merchand.

Steve Sherman came in to go over the final plans for the Harvest Festival which is this weekend. It will begin at the town hall on Friday night with Becky Rule. On Saturday the parade starts at 10:00 at the Municipal Building and will go up Route 135 to the Plains Road and onto school grounds at the Plains Road entrance. The Men's Club will be selling lunch, than there will be games for all in the afternoon. The 5th through 8th graders will be selling supper and the Back Shed Band will be playing well you eat. We will be having a campfire in the evening as well as fireworks for all to enjoy. The fireworks and campfire will also be on school grounds. On Sunday morning starting at 8:00 A.M. the Fire Department and FAST Squad will be doing a buffet breakfast at the town hall.

The Selectmen discussed the work being done on the Pellet Boilers. Earl Robinson is in the process of getting them up and running.

Joel Cowell was in to see the Selectmen about fixing the chimneys on the town hall. He plans to start this job soon.

The Selectmen started work on the 2010 budget.

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 P.M.

Selectmen's Meeting
October 6, 2009

All Selectmen Present
Meeting started at 7:00 P.M.

The Selectmen signed the manifests, two pistol permits, an authorization to transfer \$1000.00 from NHPDIP to Woodsville Bank Water Department account. The Selectmen also sent a letter to the Trustees authorizing them to pay Brett S. Purvis and Associates \$1,333.00 from the Assessing Fund, Blaktop \$14,728.16 from the Town Hall Paving Fund and Varney Smith Lumber \$121.13 from the Clinic Fund.

Russell Brown had contacted Bruce about painting the skating rink this year. He had gotten an estimate from Rossi to put three coats on the rink at a price of \$2500.00 or volunteers could do one coat for about \$900.00. The Selectmen have decided to put this off for another year. They still have some work to do on the Pellet Boilers as well as putting a light and hydrant in at the skating rink.

The Selectmen discussed putting a vault in in the Post Office Building. The one at the Town Hall is running out of space and they feel this would be a good place to build a new vault. They will be getting estimates for the budget.

The Selectmen are going to have the roof checked at the Town Hall to see what kind of life span it still has. They would like to start planning for the repairs now so it won't become such a big cost item.

The Selectmen worked on the budget.

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 P.M.

Selectmen's Meeting
October 13, 2009

All Selectmen Present
Meeting started at 7:00 P.M.

The Selectmen signed the manifests, a request to transfer \$150,000.00 from NHPDIP to Woodsville Bank General Fund, and use of town hall contracts for Marilyn Bedell and Cathy Currier.

The Selectmen had a building permit which they did not approve as it was from the renters instead of the owner. Cindy will send a building permit application to the owners to fill out.

Bruce told Bob and Gerry that the Ford town truck is at the garage in Lancaster. It has an internal oil leak. There is a seal inside the engine that is leaking. They are not sure what the cost will be to fix it.

Cindy told the Selectmen that she was asked by Laurie Theriault if it was possible to sign the vouchers for monies requested by the school for each month and give them to Cindy now so she can write the check the first week of each month. Cindy explained that a couple of times the school has forgotten to give a voucher for a check by Monday morning and Cindy has done checks later in the week for them. Cindy told Laurie that she needed to have the paperwork by Monday morning if they want the check that week. The Selectmen said it is the schools responsibility to get the voucher in on time and not Cindy's job to remember to write the check each month. They do not want Cindy to keep a file of signed vouchers for the school.

The Selectmen discussed a few direct assistance issues and have asked Cindy to call the Local Government Center for some advice.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 P.M.

Selectmen's Meeting
October 20, 2009

All Selectmen Present
Meeting started at 7:00P.M.

The Selectmen signed the manifest, a use of hall contract for Michelle Norko for Hunt Mountain 4-H and a letter authorizing the Trustee's to pay George E. Sansoucy, PE LLC \$637.50 from the Assessing Fund.

The Selectmen looked at a building permit for Gary & Linda White. It was decided that this would need to go to the Board of Adjustment. They also looked at a building permit for Robert & Christine Fortin which cannot be approved until they close on the house. The permit will be approved as soon as the closing is done.

The Selectmen set the date for the Town Budget Hearing, it will be February 2, 2010 at 7:00P.M. at the Monroe Town Hall.

The use of the Town Hall was discussed. The hall is getting busier all the time and individuals as well as groups need to fill out a contract for use of the hall and get it approved before making plans to use the hall. A copy of the contract will be put on the Monroe Town web site. People will be able to print them from there or come into the hall and pick up one. All contracts have to be approved by the Selectmen.

The Selectmen discussed the Health Insurance for the town employees. The insurance is going up 16.4% January 1st. The Selectmen have asked Cindy to look at other plans.

A representative from Rodd Roofing came and looked at the roof on the Town Hall. He feels we should be able to get another five years out of this roof. There is a couple of areas on the edge of the roof where they recommend putting some silicone calking which Bruce will do. They did give the Selectmen an estimate on replacing the roof. To take off the old roof and replace, also install two drain inserts, and not finding any problems underneath it would cost about \$49,575.00. To replace the front entrance with 30 year shingles and replace the metal around the building if done at the same time as the main roof it would be an additional \$14, 200.00. If they are done at separate times it will cost more. These are prices if it is done now but it gives us a starting point as to what we will need when the job needs to be done.

Jeff Gomes was in to talk to the Selectmen about putting a light up at the skating rink. The Selectmen had asked him for an estimate for this job and he brought in the estimate. The estimate is \$1,378.55. The Selectmen told him to do the job.

Bruce made a motion to go into nonpublic session at 9:30P.M. for Direct Assistance, seconded by Gerry all in favor. Bob made a motion to come out of nonpublic session at 10:25 P.M., Bruce seconded, all in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 P.M.

Selectmen's Meeting
October 27, 2009

Bob Wormer & Bruce Frazer Present
Meeting started at 7:00 P.M.

The Selectmen signed the manifests; they also signed an intent to cut for Merle and Connie Jones. The Selectmen also signed use of town hall contracts for the Men's Club, Todd Foley, Laura Crane, Marguerite Currier, Mary Elise Thomas and Dan Currier.

Cindy told the Selectmen she had received a bill for cleaning the floor at the Post Office which she had not paid as she did not know if the job had been approved by the Selectmen. Bruce stated that Laurie had mentioned to him for or five weeks ago that she thought the floor needed to be done. Bruce said he had not authorized her to have the job done. Bob said to pay the bill and let Laurie know that next time she needs to get the Selectmen's approval before having the job done.

Willis and Anna Lippard would like to know how to go about merging their two lots. The Selectmen asked Cindy to check with Glen Fearon from the Planning Board on that.

Carrol Nihan was in to see the Selectmen concerning his property on the Littleton Road.

Tom Maguire was in to meet with the Selectmen at their request. The Selectmen wanted to talk to him about the voucher system. Laurie Theriault had talk to Cindy a few weeks ago about signing vouchers in advance and leaving them with Cindy to pay when then needed it instead of requesting the money on a monthly basis. The Selectmen had said that was the schools job to remember not Cindy's and the voucher system needed to stay the way it always has been. Laurie gave Cindy November's voucher the day after receiving October's check. The Selectmen told Tom the voucher should not be given to Cindy until the week before they need the money. Tom has agreed to this plan.

Paul Theriault was in to see the Selectmen. He was curious as to whether or not the Selectmen were planning on hiring a police officer. Bob told him that we are not looking for an officer at this time. He said we are quite happy with the State Police. We do not have any upkeep on vehicles or other equipment. Paul said if the Selectmen decided to hire an office he would like to be considered for the job.

Doug Gibson was in to see the Selectmen. He has received a registered letter from Dick Uncles from the Department of Agriculture concerning the runoff from his barnyard. Mr. Uncles feels that the runoff may be part of the nitrate problem in the town water system. Doug said he is a fifth generation farmer on his farm and this has not been a problem in the past. Bob and Bruce told Doug that there are a lot of new regulations since the water system was put in. Bruce said he would call Mr. Uncles and talk to him and he would get back to Doug. The Selectmen asked Doug to give them a copy of the letter he received. The Selectmen discussed what to do about police coverage at dances. Bruce is going to call Todd Landry of New Hampshire State Police and discuss our options with him.

The discussion of water bills came up as many people are paying their water bills at the town office. It is alright to pay water bills in the town office, if you are paying cash it has to be the exact amount and a receipt will be given to the customer.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 P.M.
Respectfully Submitted
Cindy Frazer
Administrative Assistant

Selectmen's Meeting
November 3, 2009

Bruce Frazer & Bob Wormer
Meeting started at 7:00 P.M.

The Selectmen signed the manifests, they signed an intent to cut for Becky Gibson and use of town hall contracts for Todd Foley, Deb McBey, Monroe FAST Squad, Lisa Cowell and Stephanie Cohen.

Bruce told Bob he is looking into the price of pellets. He has called a couple of places and is waiting to hear back from them.

There was a break in at the Town Garage on Monday morning. A chain saw as well as four tires that were mounted and balanced was taken. The State Police is investigating.

Bob Regis was in to discuss the FAST Squad dance. The question was what to do about police coverage for their upcoming dance. The Selectmen told him they could hire an officer from another town and have him sworn in for the night or that State Police could cover it. The Selectmen requested that Bob let them know what is decided.

The Selectmen signed the Tax Collector Warrant as well as a contract with Primax for Workman's Comp. Insurance.

The Selectmen are going to meet next Tuesday morning at 10:00 to work on the 2010 budget.

Cindy asked Bob if he would be will to change the November 27th meeting to Monday November 26th. Bob has agreed to the change. This means that the Town Clerks Office will be open on Monday from 8:30 – noon and 4:00 – 9:00 and closed for the rest of the week as it is Thanksgiving week.

Meeting Adjourned at 10:30 P.M.
Respectfully Submitted;
Cindy Frazer
Administrative Assistant

Selectmen's Meeting
November 10, 2009

Bob Wormer & Bruce Frazer Present
Meeting started at 7:00 P.M.

The Selectmen signed the manifests, use of hall contracts for Monroe School and Marilyn Bedell. They also signed a letter authorizing the Trustees to pay Brett S. Purvis \$1333.00 from the Assessing Fund along with signing two Conservation Restrictions for Richard and Barbara Sanders.

Karl Johnson was in to see the Selectmen. The Selectmen had asked for a copy of the schools budget verses actual for this year so Karl came in to discuss it with them and see if they had any questions. The Selectmen had just received the budget so had not had a chance to look at it. Karl highlighted a few items on the budget and said if they had any questions to give him a call. He also discussed a few items on next year's budget with the Selectmen. Karl asked the Selectmen about fixing up the band shelter. The shelter is owned by the school but he wanted to know if the town was willing to help fix it. Cindy suggested getting volunteers to do the work to save some money. Karl said he would check on the price of materials.

The Selectmen did meet Tuesday morning to work on the budget. They worked on the budget from 10:00 A.M. until 2:30 P.M.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 P.M.
Respectfully submitted;
Cindy Frazer
Administrative Assistant

Selectmen's meeting
November 16, 2009
Bruce Frazer & Bob Wormer present
Meeting started at 7:00 P.M.

The Selectmen signed the manifests, they also signed a letter authorizing the Trustees to pay Blaktop \$220.92 from the Town Hall Paving Fund, George E Sansoucy \$812.50 from the Assessing Fund and to pay Avitar Associates of New England \$2,688.00 from the Assessing Fund.

Betti Ward was in to see the Selectmen about her tax bill. She was being charged for more acres than she has from 2002 through 2007. She is also being taxed on a building that she has not had for three years. The Selectmen told her that she would need to file an abatement for the newest tax bill and they will get together with Keith and the Assessor to see what to do about the rest of it.

Betti Ward also asked the Selectmen to reconsider putting some gate back in the North Monroe Cemetery. She feels that a lot of elderly people go there and it would be safer for them if they had the gates back in there.

Warren Witcher was in to talk to the Selectmen about his tax bill. He feels he is being overtaxed on his building. The Selectmen told him to fill out an abatement and return it to this office.

The Selectmen signed a contract with Lyndonville Office Supply for the copy machine for another year.

Glenn Fearon was in to see if Cindy could set up a meeting with North Country Council, the Selectmen and the Planning Board to discuss the Master plan.

Rolf Zuk was in to let the Selectmen know that he had updated the defib. In the hall and that it is not working as it needs new batteries. The Selectmen asked Rolf to pick up new batteries for it.

The Selectmen signed use of hall contracts for Anne Duffy and Delta Merchant.

The Selectmen met with the Trustees to go over polices. The Trustees have decided to meet on the 3rd Tuesday of every month at 8:00 P.M. at the town hall.

Bob Wormer made the motion to go into nonpublic session at 9:00 P.M. seconded by Bruce Frazer, both in favor. Bruce Frazer made the motion to come out of nonpublic session at 9:25P.M. Bob seconded, both in favor.

The Selectmen looked at the proposal Bryan Turnbull had emailed them on setting up a recycling program for next year. The Selectmen decided that this would have to be a petitioned warrant article. A petitioned warrant article will need signatures of at least 2% of the registered voters.

Cindy reminded the Selectmen that the next meeting will be on Monday November 30th at 7:00 P.M. and the Town Offices (both Selectmen's Office and Town Clerk's office) will be closed until November 30th.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:30P.M.
Respectfully Submitted;
Cindy Frazer, Admin. Assistant

Selectmen's Meeting
November 23, 2009

Bob Wormer & Bruce Frazer Present
Meeting started at 7:00 P.M.

The Selectmen signed the manifest, signed use of Town Hall Contracts for Duane Moyse, Lacy Lapete and the Monroe School.

Cindy told the Selectmen that Rick Algiers from Primex will be here on December 3rd to go over the medical insurance. He would like to meet with the Selectmen if possible and both Bruce and Bob said they would be available.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 P.M.

Selectmen's meeting
December 1, 2009

Bob Wormer and Bruce Frazer Present
Meeting started at 7:00P.M.

The Selectmen signed the manifests, and also signed use of town hall contracts for Russell Brown, Joe Norko, Elizabeth Hammer and Bob Regis. The selectmen also signed the Equalization Data Sheet for the Department of Revenue.

Bruce told Bob that the Pellet Boilers will be tested on Thursday morning. Les Morrison brought two ton of pellets for each boiler last week and Earl Robinson will be here Thursday morning to fire them up and make sure everything is working right.

Cindy reminded the Selectmen that Rick Alpers from Primex will be here Wednesday morning at 10:30 to meet with them.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:00 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted;
Cindy Frazer, Admin. Asst.

Selectmen's Meeting
December 8, 2009

Bruce Frazer & Bob Wormer Present
Meeting started at 7:00P.M.

The Selectmen signed the manifests, they also signed a letter authorizing the Trustees to pay Brett S. Purvis and Associates \$1,333.00 from the Assessing Fund and Bruce Frazer \$11.94 from the Clinic Fund. Bruce bought flood lights for the clinic. The Selectmen also signed a Request to Transfer Funds from Woodsville Bank to NHPDIP; the amount to be transferred is \$1,000,000.00.

The Selectmen looked over the abatement paperwork that arrived.

Cindy told the Selectmen that a representative from North Country Council will be here next Tuesday at 7:00P.M. to talk to them as well as any Planning Board members who can be here about the Master Plan for the Town Of Monroe. She also has a request from the local Habitat of Humanity group and they would like to come on Tuesday as well. Bob said to have them come, just let them know that North Country Council is scheduled for 7:00.

Barbara Farr was in to see the Selectmen about Police Coverage in town. She said that Maynard is still getting some calls at home. She thinks we should hire a local officer verse having State Police. The Selectmen said they like having State Police, the only thing the town is responsible for is paying them for hours worked. We do not have to pay insurance, workman's comp or for a vehicle. They said that Barbara is the first person to come in and talk to them about this. It was suggested that it be discussed at Town Meeting in March and see what the towns people want.

Bruce made a motion to go into nonpublic session for direct assistance at 9:00P.M., Bob seconded, both in favor. Bob made a motion to come out of nonpublic session at 9:25P.M. , Bruce seconded, both in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30P.M.
Respectfully Submitted;
Cindy Frazer, Admin. Assistant

Selectmen's meeting
December 15, 2009

All Selectmen Present:

Public Present: Glenn Fearon, PJ Blanchard and John McNally

Meeting started at 7:00P.M.

Dave McClure was in to talk to the Selectmen about Habitat for Humanity. Dave left information with the Selectmen on this program.

Tara Bamford from North Country Council was here to discuss the master plan for the town. Our master plan is 20 years old and needs to be updated. The Planning Board had started on it but has not done anything for a couple of years. Tara explained what still needs to be done and said she will work with the Planning Board on this. It is a state law to have a master plan for each town in the state. Tara said that the Planning Board did get the subdivision updated in 2007. The zoning regulations were discussed. Tara said that once the master plan was done than the zoning would need to be looked at. Tara will write an amendment to the contract we have and fax it to the Selectmen to sign. She is hoping to get started in January. She plans to meet with the Planning Board monthly.

Rolf Zuk was in to give the Selectmen his resignation from the Board of Trustees for personal reasons. Gerry made the motion to accept Rolf's resignation, Bruce seconded, all in favor.

The Selectmen signed the manifests, a pistol permit, and a deed to a cemetery lot for Clinton and Gladys Bates.

Cindy gave the Selectmen some information the Bryan Turnbull had sent on recycling. Bryan has asked that the Selectmen look at this and he will be in next Tuesday to discuss it with the Selectmen.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:45P.M.

Respectfully Submitted:

Cindy Frazer, Admin. Asstistant

Selectmen's Meeting
December 22, 2009

All Selectmen Present
Meeting started at 7:00P.M.

The Selectmen signed the manifests, they also signed a updated contract with North Country Council to update the Master Plan for the town. The Selectmen signed a letter authorizing the Trustee's to pay George E. Sansoucy \$2,362.50 from the Assessing Fund, they also signed a request to transfer \$250,000.00 from NHPDIP to Woodsville Bank General Fund.

Bryan Turnbull was in to talk to the Selectmen about Recycling. He has gotten enough signatures on a petition to have a warrant article for recycling. He went over the information with the Selectmen, a copy of this is in the town office if anyone is interested in looking at it. The petition was for up to \$25,000.00 for recycling. Bryan went over the figures with the Selectmen and after discussing it they all feel it can be done for less money. Bryan is going to get an estimate on fencing in an area from Vermont Recreation. They discussed doing this every other week to cut the cost some and all were in agreement. They thought maybe every other Saturday from 9:00 until noon. Bryan will get together with the Selectmen again after the holidays.

The Selectmen nominated Leonard Bonosevich to replace Rolf Zuk as Trustee of Trust Funds at the last meeting. Leonard has agreed to fill the position and has been sworn in.

Gerry Laflamme made the motion to go into nonpublic session at 8:30 P.M. for personnel reasons, seconded by Bruce, all in favor. Bruce made the motion to come out of nonpublic session at 8:50 P.M., seconded by Gerry, all in favor.

The selectmen discussed the new pellet boilers. There has been a few problems with them but are being worked out one by one. The boiler at the Town Garage is up and running, the one at the Town Hall is waiting on a part and than we are hoping to have it working properly.

The Selectmen also discussed the water system. The town has received a letter from the Department of Environmental Services stating that we will have to test for nitrates quarterly instead of monthly as it has been so long since we had a problem with nitrates.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 P.M.
Respectfully Submitted;
Cindy Frazer, Admin. Asst.

Selectmen's Meeting
December 29, 2009
Bruce Frazer Present
Started at 7:00P.M.

Gerry was in Tuesday morning to sign the manifest and a request to transfer \$ 100,000.00 from Woodsville Bank General Fund to PDIP General Fund and \$7,500.00 From the Woodsville Bank Water Dept. Fund to NHPDIP Water Dept. Fund as he was not going to be able to attend the meeting.

Bruce signed the manifests and the request to transfer.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00P.M.
Respectfully Submitted
Cindy Frazer Admin. Assistant