

Leyden Selectboard Meeting
Leyden Town Hall
Minutes
January 12, 2017

Selectboard Members Present: Jeff Neipp, Bill Glabach, Lance Fritz.

Others Present: Bob Hardesty, Clifford Spatcher, Brian Pelletier, Nikolas Adamski, Shelby Ashline.

Call to order 6:40pm.

Minutes

MOTION: Lance moved to accept minutes of January 5 as written. Unanimous.

Fire Department Update

Jeff reported that Engine 1 is being refurbished and the pump is being rebuilt. He expects that the job should be completed by the end of January.

He also read the minutes of the July 28 Selectboard meeting in which Cliff said that the Fire Department is checking out a fire truck, which is parked at a Fireman's house, as a possible replacement for Engine 1. He went on to read the minutes further, pointing out that the Board instructed Cliff to hold off on the purchase of the prospective new truck until this is sorted out and the Finance Committee weighs in. Jeff told Cliff that the Board has no plans to put that truck into service. Lance added that the truck is two-wheel drive, and has a long wheel base, which may not be well suited for the Town. Bill agreed, and added that he feels that the main problem is complete lack of communication between the Fire Department and the Selectboard. He mentioned that the Board has approached Bernardston to see if they are interested in forming a joint fire department. Maybe regionalization is the answer. After further discussion, the Board told Cliff again that no equipment is to be purchased for the Fire Department without discussing the purchase with the Board.

Jeff suggested that when Cliff works on the budget, he figure in chains for the Pierce truck. The Board would support this.

PVRSD District Agreement Review Committee

The Board discussed appointing delegates to the committee to review the PVRSD District Agreement. People who previously expressed interest include Ginger Robinson, Rick Fontaine, Jenny Blythe, Michele Giarusso, and Robin Neipp. Brian Pelletier said that he would be interested, and Nik said his wife, Melissa might be interested. Lance pointed out that the committee is being formed only to review the District Agreement. Bob reminded the Board that the Bernardston Selectmen requested that delegates be appointed in time to attend the January 25 meeting in Bernardston.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Jeff moved to adjourn. Unanimous. Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert Hardesty