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ASHLAND BOARD OF ELECTRIC COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES

October 27, 2015
6 Collins Street
ASHLAND, NH
7:00 P.M.

- MEMBERS PRESENT:** Daniel Vaughn, Sandra Coleman & David Fucarile
- OTHERS PRESENT:** Lee Nichols, Linda Pack & Normand DeWolfe
- CALL TO ORDER:** Sandra Coleman called the Meeting of the Ashland Electric Commission to order at 7:00 P.M.
- Pledge of Allegiance
- MINUTES:** Dan Vaughn made a motion to approve the Minutes of October 13, 2015 as presented. David Fucarile seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous.
- OLD BUSINESS:** An update from David Singer regarding the new billing program was received and given to the Commissioners. After much discussion the Commissioners agreed they are not happy with the amount of time it has taken for the new billing program that still is not completed.
- Discussion regarding the type of signage the Commissioners want on the trucks stating "Caution - Hard Hat Area." As Lee stated the signs would come in 16" x 16" or 12" x 12" Magnetic or Decal. Lee told the Commissioners that the magnetic signs can be affected by the cold weather and they can fall off. He suggested the 16" x 16" Decal signs. The Commissioners agreed. Lee will talk to Ms. Demers regarding signs for the chipper as well.
- NEW BUSINESS:** The Electric Commissioners discussed with Mr. Nichols the date of the Budget review with the Budget Committee. Lee Nichols stated two dates were available November 18th or November 19th at 7:00 P.M. The Commissioners settled on November 18th at 7:00 P.M. at the School Library. Lee will inform David Ruell.



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The Board of Selectmen gave their approval to take down 4 trees on Owl Brook Road. The Electric Department will have Top Notch Crane and Crew to take down some of the trees. They will also need to have the road closed for the day. Lee stated he told Top Notch he would need at least 48 hours notice before the road could be closed.

Harold Lamos asked Sandra if the Electric Department would consider some help with decorating costs for the Holidays. The Commissioners were in agreement and Lee would like to light up some trees at the Cemetery with red and green flood lights. Lee would run them from the street light poles.

Lee stated that NEPPA has many classes that would be beneficial for our Linemen to take and the dues for one year would be \$1800.00 The class cost would then be reduced from \$1500.00 per class to around \$500.00 per class. Dan made a motion to join NEPPA and pay the \$1800.00 for Dues. David seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous. The Commissioners agree it would be well worth paying the dues.

Norm DeWolfe advised the Electric Commissioners that the Department of Revenue Administration approved the separation of Warrant Articles for Town Budget, Electric Dept. Budget and Water/Sewer Dept. Budget. Each will be voted on separately.

The Public Hearing on the Town Budget will be 7 PM on January 15th and the School Budget on January 13th at 6:30 PM.

If anyone is interested the Department of Energy, Northern Pass Project information is at the Town Office. They have 20, 4 inch binders with a total of over 20,000 pages if anyone would like to read it. The meeting on Northern Pass is scheduled for November 10th.

Payroll & Accounts Payable Manifest Signed.

NON-PUBLIC SESSION: Sandra Coleman made a motion to go into Non-Public Session at 8:00 P.M. according to 91-A:3II(a) The dismissal, promotion or compensation of any public employee. Dan Vaughn seconded the



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motion. Vote: Sandra Coleman - yes, Dan Vaughn - yes and David Fucarile - yes.

Dan Vaughn made a motion to come out of Non-Public Session at 8:15 P.M. Sandra Coleman seconded the motion. Sandra Coleman - yes, Dan Vaughn - yes & David Fucarile - yes.

Sandra made a motion to seal the minutes of the Non-Public Session. Dan seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous.

Sandra Coleman made a motion to go into Non-Public Session at 8:20 P.M. according to 91A:3II(e) Consideration or negotiation of pending claims or litigation. Dan Vaughn seconded the motion. Sandra - yes, David - yes and Dan - yes.

Dan Vaughn made a motion to come out of Non-Public Session at 8:35 P.M. Sandra Coleman seconded the motion. Sandra - yes, David - yes and Dan - yes.

Dan Vaughn made a motion to seal the minutes of the Non-Public Session. David Fucarile seconded the motion. Vote Dan - yes, David - yes & Sandra - yes.

ADJOURNMENT:

Dan Vaughn made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 PM. David Fucarile seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted

**Linda A. Pack
Ashland Electric Department**