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## ASHLAND BOARD OF ELECTRIC COMMISSIONERS WORK SESSION MINUTES

March 16, 2016 **6 Collins Street** ASHLAND, NH 7:00 P.M.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** 

Sandra Coleman, David Fucarile & Daniel Vaughn

**OTHERS PRESENT:** 

Lee Nichols, Linda Pack & Normand DeWolfe

**CALL TO ORDER:** 

Sandra Coleman called the Meeting of the Ashland Electric

Commission work session to order at 7:00 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

**NON-PUBLIC SESSION:** None

**MINUTES:** 

None Approved

**OLD BUSINESS:** 

None

**NEW BUSINESS:** 

Discussion regarding the passage of Article #16 on the Official Ballot of March 8, 2016. "To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to establish or amend fees pursuant to RSA 41:9a. This authority shall continue in effect until rescinded. If adopted, the Board of Selectmen, following a public hearing, may establish or amend fees or charges for the issuance of any license or permit which is part of a regulatory program, and/or for the use or occupancy of any

public revenue-producing facility." Board of Selectmen

recommends this Article 5-0

Lee Nichols asked the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen what their intent was for this Article. Specifically "the use or occupancy of any public revenue-producing facility." Mr. DeWolfe stated the objective of this Article was only to be able to adjust fees as needed, such as the fee for the Campground or dumping fees etc... without putting a Warrant Article on the ballot first.

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Sandra Coleman asked Mr. DeWolfe if he knew how the "In Lieu of Taxes" between the Electric Department and the Town came about. He stated he did not, but was also curious about this issue.

Sandra Coleman suggested to Chairman DeWolfe that a joint meeting with the Board of Selectmen would be a good idea to discuss some important issues that came up. Mr. DeWolfe thought that was a very good idea and he will bring it up at the next Selectmen's meeting.

## **OTHER BUSINESS:**

Mr. DeWolfe brought up the issue of the Benefits Administrator for HealthTrust. Linda Pack stated she had been trying for month's to find out why the Town or whoever placed her name as a Benefit Administrator without her knowledge. She stated that all current employees of the Electric Dept. and Water/Sewer Dept. were all signed up at the Town Office by Pat Crowell. As evidenced by her signature on all copies furnished to us by the Town Office. Ms. Pack never signed anyone up for any type of Health, Dental, Life or Disability Insurance. That always was handled by the Town Office Personnel. It is hoped that this issue will also be discussed at a joint meeting with the Board of Selectmen.

Payroll Manifest Signed.

**ADJOURNMENT:** 

Sandra Coleman made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 PM. David Fucarile seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted

Linda A. Pack

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