Selectmen Present: Mark Andrew, Janice Mulherin
Secretary: Janet Sherburne

The meeting was opened at 7:00pm.

The minutes of December 20, 2010 and January 3, 2011 were approved.

Northern Pass Project: The board reviewed correspondence and information from Laurel Brown, Communications Manager of the project. There is information available for the public to review in the town office. The board will not make a statement or schedule a meeting regarding the project at this time.

Fire Commissioners: The board met with the Fire Commissioners and Fire Chief Ken Ward and discussed the following:

1. Invoice from Desorcie for two hosebed covers at a cost of $1200 each. The board reminded the commissioners and Fire Chief of the policy/procedure previously adopted requiring that all departments discuss any purchases of over $500 with the board before purchases are made. The commissioners agreed that they had forgotten to notify the board about this purchase.

2. Committee Handbook: The Commissioners were given a copy of the Committee Handbook explaining the proper procedures to follow for meetings, minutes, etc.

3. Extrication Equipment: Prices for equipment was reviewed and compared. The equipment currently on the truck is a demo model only used for demonstrations not at accident scenes. It is under warranty and the company will service the equipment once a year. The commissioners explained that the company has agreed that if the money is not raised at the March 2011 town meeting to purchase this equipment they will take the equipment back. A copy of the agreement made via e-mail was given to the board.

4. Fire Protection Contracts: The draft contracts for fire protection with other towns were reviewed. Beginning this year, billing for services provided by the firefighters to other towns will be billed by the town office and will be remitted to the Town of Rumney. This will be done on a quarterly basis. The Fire Department will provide the necessary paperwork and information to the town office and the bills will be prepared and sent.

5. Code Enforcement: The procedure for revenues received by the Fire Departments Code Enforcement Officer was discussed. Any revenue
received will be turned into the town office and deposited into the general fund by the town office.

6. 2011 Budget: The board explained that they had cut the stipend line item $2,000 and raised Vehicle Repair & Maintenance $2000 so the bottom line is not affected. The stipend line item has consistently been under the budgeted amount. They are working on the Fire Department Building Maintenance budget and will have those available the first of next week.

Advisory Committee: The board met with members of the Advisory Committee. (Dave Coursey, Roger Daniels, Mike Lonigro, Jan Stevens) to review the 2011 draft budget. The Advisory Committee was also provided a copy of the Committee Handbook. The board explained that salaries had not been discussed yet. The budget was reviewed and there were no areas of major concern.

At 9:30pm the board voted to enter into Executive Session per RSA 91-A:3 II (a) to discuss and review employee salaries. The board voted to leave Executive Session at 9:45pm. No Decisions were made.

The meeting adjourned at 9:45pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet C. Sherburne
Secretary