

Police Regionalization Study Committee

Minutes

Date: Wednesday, September 8, 2010

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Members present: Dennis Moore, Douglas Brisebois, Angela Jack, Mary Krapf

1. Motion to approve minutes of August 25, 2010.

Motion: Dennis Second: Mary Vote: Unan

2. Dennis presented what he learned at the Selectman's meeting last week:
 - This committee reports directly to the Selectman
 - The Selectmen are looking for this committee to meet with representatives from Townsend to find out what they are looking for when it comes to regionalizing the two police/communications departments.
 - The Selectmen are looking for recommendations from this committee on how to pursue the process of regionalizing with Townsend.
 - Questions for this committee to research include:
 - Does it make sense financially for Ashby to pursue regionalizing with Townsend?
 - Is it workable? – i.e., can the town of Ashby sit down and work with Townsend?
 - What are the benefits of Ashby regionalizing with Townsend?
 - Will Ashby's identity be lost if the town was to regionalize with Townsend?
3. Mary talked to the group about what she learned at the Regionalization workshop at Holy Cross. She plans to make copies of some of the paperwork she received at the workshop to share with others in the group at the next meeting.
4. Mary mentioned a booklet that Townsend put together pertaining to regionalizing the police departments. Dennis plans to speak to Jennifer to see if she has a copy or to find out how to request a copy from Townsend.
5. Mary spoke of the importance for this committee to make a point to speak to the senior citizens in Ashby when we start looking to find out the opinion of the town in this matter.
6. For the next meeting:
 - Mary will make copies of some of the information that she received at the Regionalization workshop at Holy Cross to share with the other members of the committee.
 - Dennis will bring a copy of the booklet that Townsend put together pertaining to regionalizing the police departments.
7. Next meeting will be held on September 22, 2010 at 7pm in the Selectmen's Meeting Room.
8. Motion to adjourn at 7:59 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Angela M. Jack