Minutes of the Selectmens Meeting April 7, 1997

Selectmen present: Peter Moore, Carol Smith and Philip Dwight.

Also present were: Larry Ross and Gordon Hale - Monadnock Business Ventures, Pete Davis - Southwest Regional Planning.

The following were signed/approved:
Minutes of the March 31st meeting
Intents to Cut: Robertson, Marx and Leab
Current Use: Pozzi
Yield Tax Warrant: #97-11
Veterans Exemption: Wilson
TAN Note

The Selectmen agreed that they would schedule meetings with the individuals who still owed 1993 taxes.

The Housing and Community Development Plan was adopted with the one change requested by the Planning Board. It was agreed that the April 21st meeting of the Board of Selectmen would be cancelled and the Board would meet at 6 P.M. on April 22nd before the public meeting on the CDBG feasibility grant.

The letter to Mr. Coughlan was reviewed and it was agreed that it should be sent.

The review of the 1997 pickups began and will continue at the next meeting.

At 7 P.M. Larry Ross, Gordon Hale and Pete Davis came to discuss the possibility of organizing a non-profit economic development corporation to serve one or more of the towns of Antrim, Bennington and/or Greenfield. There was discussion of how this would work, the need for a Board of Directors, possibilities of fundraising for various undertakings, etc. Larry indicated that General Housewares was ready to donate the Chicago Cutlery Building to a non-profit organization and that Monadnock Business Ventures was willing to act as a pass through organization.

Larry indicated he would meet with the Bennington Selectmen on April 9th to discuss the possibilities with them.

The Selectmen agreed they would consider the various options and also discuss who might be willing to serve on the Board of such an organization. A tentative meeting was set with Larry for Monday, April 14th.

The meeting adjourned at 8 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by Philip T. Dwight.