Date: 9/16/03

Minutes of Board of Selectmen's Meeting: Meeting held at Antrim Little Town Hall @ 7:00 p.m. on 9/15/03

Selectmen Present: David Penny-Chairman, Michael Genest, Bill Prokop. Others In Attendance:

Agenda Items Discussed:

- 1. Resident Warren Witherell asked the selectmen to explain why they have engaged the services of Mr. Philip Dwight. Mr. Witherell stated that several residents have expressed concern about this to him. The concern was due to the impression that the residents had that it was Mr. Dwight who pushed for the building of the new town hall and the spending of \$1,000,000 on the renovation. The selectmen pointed out to Mr. Witherell that it was not Mr. Dwight who over saw the building of the Town Hall, but rather a separate "Town Hall Building Committee". They also explain Mr. Dwight's role as a consultant, and expressed their appreciation of his willingness to assist the Town during this period of transition. The selectmen thanked Mr. Witherell for expressing his concerns.
- 2. The selectmen met with Mr. Allan Treadwell to review the current status of our computer hardware service and needs. Mr. Treadwell brought the selectmen up to date on all the equipment and the maintenance needs. He also presented the selectmen with a new service contract to service all the equipment needs of the Town Office, Fire Department, and Police Department. After a complete review of the contract the selectmen voted to accept the contract as presented. The only adjustment that may occur is if the Police Department decides not to go ahead with the new services that would be provided to them. The selectmen than raised several operational issues with Mr. Treadwell regarding some changes and up dates that need to be made within the Town office to improve our administrative operations. Mr. Treadwell will look into them and will make all the necessary changes.
- 3. The selectmen then reviewed the abatement request from the Estate of Robert P. Halverson, Map 8A-lot 8, which is 1.718 acres, presently assessed at \$19,420. The Town's assessors reviewed this, and they have made a recommendation to offer an "Access Adjustment" do to the location of the lot, of 20%. The selectmen voted to grant the abatement of 20%, which would decrease the assessed value of the property to \$15,536. The attorney for the estate will be so notified. The selectmen also reviewed the request of the attorney for abatement on the Weston

property, Map 3-lot 49. This request was denied at this time. This property owner is in violation of the agreement that was made with the Planning Board for the proper filing of an excavation reclamation plan, which was due on September 1, 2003 at the latest. No action will be taken until the property owner is in compliance with all Town regulations.

- 4. The selectmen voted to keep all records of "Non-Public meetings under RSA 91-A: 3, II-a, Personnel Issues" non-public.
- 5. PSNH PAYS Program- The selectmen reviewed the proposal from PSNH for Antrim to participate in the PSNH Energy Efficiency Program. Antrim has qualified for the program. The summary of the program is that PSNH would install approximately \$12,174.00 of new lighting in the various Town buildings. Antrim's share of the cost would be \$6,087.00, however, this would be paid back to PSNH by the monthly energy savings achieved. The overall payback of this program is 2.23 years. Details of the program are available in the PSNH Lighting Assessment Report dated July 17th, 2003. The selectmen agreed to proceed with the program as soon as all Department heads have been notified and that the report on the savings at the Town Hall is received from PSNH. There is No out of pocket cost to the Town for this program.
- 6. The selectmen agreed to develop guidelines for all department heads for the 2004 budget preparations. These guidelines will be agreed and sent out to the department heads by October 1st.
- 7. Michael Genest updated the selectmen on the status of the "Recreational Land Committee". At this point the process has been narrowed down to 3 pieces of property. The Robert's property on route 202, the Cutter Property on Route 31, and the Verney Property on High Street.
- 8. The selectmen agreed to advise the Bennington selectmen of the following fees for the use of the Antrim Ambulance for services that will be required by Crotched Mountain Ski & Ride. Non-transport call =\$150.00 per call. Transport call =\$200.00 per call. The billing details will be worked out at a later date.
- 9. The selectmen reviewed various correspondence and reports that required signature.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.