Select Board Members Present:

Joseph Michaud-Chairman Nathalie L. Dias-Vice Chairwoman William J. Trimble Lara H. Stone Michael P. Watson

The Chairman opened the Public Meeting at 6:00 p.m.

The Chairman polled the Board for a roll call vote to convene into Executive Session Pursuant to M.G.L. Ch. 39 Sec 23B: Selectman Trimble, yes; Selectwoman Stone, yes; Selectman Watson, yes; Vice-Chairwoman Dias, yes; Chairman Michaud, yes.

The Chairman reconvened the meeting at 6:30 p.m. on August 31, 2009 in room 304.

Board members signed the warrant(s) for the following bills from various departments in the amounts of:

\$ 359,999.15	PR08	\$ 180,662.97	PD1008	\$ 21,340.16	D1009
\$ 13,639.42	P1009	\$ 157,767.02	S1009	\$ 414,459.87	T1009

6:30/Edward lacaponi, Director of Budget and Finance, to review FY 2009 year end Financials.

Edward Iacaponi, Director of Budget and Finance, gave an overview of the Financial Analysis for FY 2009. Mr. Iacaponi mentioned that the Town collected \$350,667 in back taxes during the last fiscal year and an estimated \$507,194 in new revenue from raising the meals and lodging taxes. The School Department turned back \$263,000 from its transportation account. He stated a \$305,727 mid-year state aid was offset to some extent by the Veteran reimbursements, reducing the state cut to \$157,000. Mr. lacaponi stated the town departments have managed to turn back \$3,331,224; however, this still needs to be certified by the State.

The Director of Budget and Finance mentioned some of the capital improvement projects include replacing some furnaces, boilers and windows.

In closing Mr. lacaponi mentioned the stabilization fund currently has a \$3.5 million balance.

7:00/Interviews for Sergeant.

The Board interviewed Frank Condez, Brian Levesque and Scott Lake for the Position of Sergeant.

After a motion was made by selectman William Trimble and seconded by Selectman Michael Watson, it was voted unanimously to appoint Brian Levesque as Sergeant.

7:30/Application of Marcia Sullivan for a One Day Entertainment License for 9/5/2009.

Steven Sullivan was present for the Application of Marcia Sullivan.

After a motion was made by Selectman Michael Watson and seconded by Selectman William Trimble, it was voted unanimously to approve the Application of Marcia Sullivan for a One Day Entertainment License for 9/5/2009.

The Interim Executive Administrator asked members of the Board if they prefer to hold the Fall Town Meeting at the Middle School or at the High School.

After a motion was made by Selectman William Trimble and seconded by Selectman Michael Watson, it was voted unanimously to move the 2009 Fall Town Meeting from the Middle School to the High School.

New Business:

Petition of NStar Gas to obstruct and disturb the surface of: 34 Chestnut Street, 6 West Bliss Street, 135 Tucker Lane and 28 Azalea Drive.

After a motion was made by Vice-Chairperson Nathalie Dias and seconded by Selectman Michael Watson, it was voted unanimously to approve the Petition of NStar Gas to obstruct and disturb the surface of: 34 Chestnut Street, 6 West Bliss Street, 135 Tucker Lane and 28 Azalea Drive.

Correspondence from Stephen Russell, Superintendent of Dartmouth Public School re: Meeting with Select Board and Finance Committee.

The Chairperson announced that the Board will be meeting with the School Committee and Finance Committee on Wednesday, September 9, 2009 at 6:00 p.m.

Correspondence from Mary McCabe re: Stat Ambulance Service.

Vice-Chairperson Nathalie Dias read the letter of praise for the Stat Ambulance Service. Her mother, a Dartmouth resident, required 2 ambulance rides within the course of 24 hours. She stated we are very fortunate to have both Ryan Snell and Mike McBarron.

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Not only were they very competent and professional, they were also very compassionate toward her.

Bristol County Advisory Board Meeting on Thursday September 17, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. at the Taunton Superior Court. Selectman William Trimble, Select Board Representative.

Notification of a meeting of the Bristol County Advisory Board Thursday September 17, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. at the Taunton Superior Courthouse.

Letter from School Committee regarding appointment to the Greater New Bedford Regional Vocational School Committee.

Selectman Michael Watson removed himself from this discussion. Selectman Watson is a teacher at the Greater New Bedford Regional Vocational High School.

Chairman Michaud addressed a letter from the School Committee who voted 4-0 to support the reappointment of John Montigny to the Greater New Bedford Regional Vocational School Committee.

Chairman Michaud has some concerns about Mr. Montigny's attendance and expressed his has another candidate Chris Garth who showed interest in serving on this committee.

Chairman Michaud asked Attorney Savastano, Town Counsel, to give an opinion on who would resolve this issue if we cannot agree on a candidate. Chairman Michaud requested this be moved until September 14th. He would like the opportunity to speak to the two candidates before making a decision.

Greg Jones, Member of the School Committee, spoke on behalf of John Montigny who he fully supports. Mr. Jones mentioned that John Montigny attended 77% of the meetings and was not aware of any attendance issues. He requested a copy of his attendance record.

New Appointment of Karen Alexander, as Chairperson, and Elise Rego to the Dartmouth Cultural Council.

After a motion was made by Selectman William Trimble and seconded by Selectwoman Lara Stone, it was voted unanimously to appoint Karen Alexander, as Chairperson and Elise Rego to the Dartmouth Cultural Council as Chairperson.

Reappointment of Jacquelyn to the Community Preservation Committee.

After a motion was made by Selectman Michael Watson and seconded by Vice-Chairperson Nathalie Dias, it was voted unanimously to reappoint Jacquelyn to the Community Preservation Committee.

Reappointment of John Sousa to the Community Development Group.

After a motion was made by Selectman William Trimble and seconded by Selectman Michael Watson, it was voted unanimously to reappoint John Sousa to the Community Development Group.

Old Business:

Minutes:

Minutes of August 3, 2009, August 6, 2009, August 7, 2009, August 10, 2009, August 17, 2009 and August 24, 2009.

Selectman Michael Watson stated he would like the word (fearless) removed from the minutes of August 10, 2009.

After a motion was made by Selectman William Trimble and seconded by Selectman Michael Watson and seconded by, it was voted unanimously to approve the minutes of August 3, 2009, August 6, 2009, August 7, 2009, August 10, 2009 (pending change), August 17, 2009 and August 24, 2009.

Announcements:

Dartmouth Town Clerk's New Office Hours.

The Chairman thanked Hawthorn Medical for the donation of 4 defibrillators to the Town.

Council on Aging Thrift Stores, Mary Ellens Corner open Daily 10-3 and the Black Goose open most days 9-12.

Selectwoman Lara Stone reminded the public that school is back in session on Wednesday of this week.

Chairman Joseph Michaud mentioned to the Board that on Sunday he attended a grand opening of Cornell Farm nature trail it was an outstanding 1-mile trail.

With no further business to discussed, the Chairperson declared the regular meeting adjourned.

Attest:

Edward lacaponi, Interim Executive Administrator

Transcribed by: Linda Torres