TOWN OF DEERFIELD BOARD OF SELECTMEN October 25, 2006

MINUTES

I. Meeting convened. 7:30 p.m.

Attendance: Mark Gilmore, Chair -- present

Carolyn Shores Ness -- present John P. Paciorek -- present

II. 7:30 Classification Hearing – John Coderre and David Rohrs present. The purpose of the hearing is to determine if the Town will have a single tax rate or a split tax rate. The minimal residential factor computed of 84.3351%. This means that the Town can go down as low as 84.3351% per resident to shift the tax burden down for residences. The recommendation of the Deerfield Assessors is that a single rate is the best way to go. Ms Ness made a motion to keep a single tax rate. Mr. Paciorek seconded the motion. The vote passed unanimously (3-0).

Excess levy capacity -- \$473.80 -> 11.03 per \$1,000 tax rate, which is down 52 cents per \$1,000 from last year. Rate approved!

The Town has \$670 million of taxable valuation.

Classification hearing convened.

III. Discussion/Decision Items -

Sewer letter was read. \$350 reimbursement is available to town residents until 12/31/06. The Board of Selectmen must approve the letter before the letters are mailed. The reimbursement program has been extended by 6 months. Mr. Paciorek recommended that the letter go out and that Mark Gilmore signs it. Ms. Ness seconded the motion. Vote passed unanimously (3-0).

Franklin County Selectmen's Association Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 15, 2006 in Orange at the Elks. Mr. Paciorek, Ms. Ness and Mr. Gilmore will all be in attendance.

- IV. Correspondence There are 3 documents to sign
 - -- Beaver removal permit
 - -- Training agreement for officer Bartak
 - -- All officials of the Frontier School District agree that the Frontier Regional School will be our local EDS dispensing site. (memo read for the record)

Mr. Paciorek made a motion that the Board authorize Mark Gilmore to sign the memo on behalf of the Town of Deerfield. Ms. Ness seconded the motion. Vote passed unanimously (3-0).

V. Announcements –

- On December 9, 2006 10:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m. Drill flu shot, pneumonia shot, tetanus shot to anyone who wants them.
- On October 28, 2006, the Massachusetts Soldiers Legacy Fund fundraiser will be held at the Polish Club at 7:00 p.m. Admission is free; band will be playing; donations will be accepted.
- On November 8, 2006 at 7:30 p.m., the Board of Selectmen will hold their regularly scheduled meeting. This meeting will include the American Farmland Trust who will discuss the long range plans to retain farmland.

With regards to the Hotel Warren, the order was withdrawn. No Monday meeting is necessary.

Mr. Paciorek made a motion to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously (3-0).

	Meeting adjourned at 8:14 p	.m.	
			Respectfully submitted,
			Patricia Kroll
	Approved		Not approved
Date:			
Corrections:			