SELECTMEN'S MEETING - FEBRUARY 13, 2009

Mr. Sylvia and Dr. Bowcock were in attendance. Mr. Murphy was absent.

Also present was Jeffrey Osuch, Mr. Roth and Mr. Nunes.

Mr. Sylvia called the meeting to order at 12:15 p.m.

Discussion ensued regarding meeting held with several departments concerning budget issues and anticipated shortfalls for FY'09 and FY'10.

FY'09 for Police, Fire, BPW and School need ½% reduction in budget rather than call for a Special Town Meeting in March but will hold the Special within the Annual Town Meeting.

School has had no official vote on 1/2% reduction to FY'09 budget.

FY'10 more challenging; 20-30 cuts to personnel in School Dept.; also anticipating cuts to personnel in Police & Fire. If figures are correct greater number of layoffs needed to compensate for unemployment insurance which is not calculated into any dept. budgets.

Selectmen wishes are not to have any layoffs; options are to reallocate positions and jobs.

Dr. Bowcock motioned to recommend all Dept. to initiate a pay and hiring freeze and no raises for FY'10. Mr. Sylvia seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Dr. Bowcock motioned to send out a memo of understanding in agreement on ½% reduction of FY'09 budgets and Special Town Meeting to be held within the Annual Town Meeting. Mr. Sylvia seconded. Vote was unanimous.

SUBORDINATION OF HOUSING REHAB LOAN

Mr. Roth explained the rehab loan for the property at 111 Main St. Discussion ensued. (See attached) Dr. Bowcock motioned to sign the Subordination of Housing Rehab for 111 Main St. Mr. Silvia seconded. Vote was unanimous.

MEETING SCHEDULE

Feb. 27 @ 8:30 a.m. - MA Municipal Asso. @ Dartmouth Town Hall

March 3 @ 10 a.m. - Regionalization of Purchasing @ Fairhaven Town Hall

TOWN MEETING ARTICLE

Dr. Bowcock motioned to place the following Article on the Special Town Meeting to be held within the Annual Town Meeting May 2, 2009. (See attached)

Mr. Silvia seconded. Vote was unanimous.

At 12:35 p.m. Dr. Bowcock motioned to go into Executive session to discuss Clerical Union negotiations and Community Preservation funds; not to reconvene in open session. Mr. Silvia seconded. Vote was unanimous. Roll 2-0.

Submitted by,

Principal Clerk