BOARD OF SELECTMEN SELECTMEN MEETING TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2011 - 7:30 P.M. SELECTMEN MEETING ROOM

Meeting came to order at 7:30 p.m. with Selectmen Troy E. Garron, Kim R. Roy and Michael J. Schleiff present.

The following business was discussed:

AGENDA

Seelig added that there would be an Executive Session to discuss litigation.

With the above additions, the Agenda for Tuesday, October 11th, was unanimously approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Board as well as those attending tonight's meeting stood to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES

Moved by Garron and seconded by Roy, the Board approved the following Selectmen Minutes:

Regular Session – September 20, 2011

Executive Session – September 27, 2011

AFFIRMED ABATEMENTS/BILLS/COMMITMENTS/WARRANTS

Moved by Garron and seconded by Roy, the Board unanimously affirmed approval for the payment of the following warrants:

Vendor Warrant # 29 \$ 277,172.97

Moved by Garron and seconded by Roy, the Board unanimously affirmed approval for the payment the following Selectmen bill:

MMMA (October meeting / C. Seelig) \$ 30.00

APPROVED ABATEMENTS/BILLS/COMMITMENTS/WARRANTS

Moved by Garron and seconded by Roy the Board unanimously approved payment of the following warrants:

Payroll Warrant	# 30	\$ 3	322,767.88
Vendor Warrant	# 31	\$	123,416.69
Mobile home Park Fee	# 10	\$	5,160.00

The Board acknowledged payment of the Selectmen Office Payroll for the period ending October 8, 2011 in the amount of \$5,761.70.

Moved by Garron and seconded by Roy, the Board unanimously approved payment of the following Selectmen bills:

NewEgg.com (monitor & server system)	\$ 328.93
Lawrence P Mayo (legal services/Sept.)	\$ 975.00
Deutsch Williams Brooks DeRensis (legal services/Sept.)	\$ 95.00
Peter J. Epstein, Esq. (legal services/Sept.)	\$ 350.00
Jordan on the Job (Police & Fire physicals)	\$ 1,300.00
National Grid (billing period 8/16 – 9/15)	\$ 1,112.95
Matthew Bender & Co. Inc. (updates for MA law rules)	\$ 306.92
Greenwood Emergency Vehicles	\$ 7,832.53
(repairs to E-One Pumper / date of loss 8/5/11)	
Greenwood Emergency Vehicles	\$ 1,000.00
(repairs to E-One Pumper / date of loss 8/5/11)	

The Board acknowledged payment to the Treasurer for the following turnovers:

<u>TURNOVER</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>		
2012-16	\$	10.00	
2012-17	\$	125.00	
2012-18	\$	10.00	

GENERAL MAIL / BUSINESS

Wright Property - Franklin Street

Mr. Wright has sent the Board of Assessors a copy of the purchase and sales agreement signed by a buyer for the entire property on Franklin Street. Instructions from the Board of Assessors have been given to Mr. Wright as to how to correctly provide notice to the town for the proposed sale of the Chapter 61 property. Jeffrey Anderson is interested in having the town purchase the property and me might want to meet with the Board to pursue this matter.

Annual Ethics and Conflict of Interest Certification

All departments, boards and committees have been notified by the Town Clerk that they need to take on line Ethics and Conflict of Interest quiz if they have not taken it within the last two years. In addition they need to sign off that they have received a copy of summary. This evening the Board has signed that they have acknowledged this information and stated that they plan on taking the quiz within the allowable time frame.

New Union President

The Board has been informed that Matt Cunningham has been elected as new Union President for Firefighters Local 3159.

Regional Dispatch Grant

This morning there was a regional dispatch meeting at the Town Hall focusing on the dispatch grant. A steering committee was formed that includes the Fire Chief and Seelig. An RFP will be issued this fall with the hope that a contract will be awarded before the end of the year and a study done in the winter and early spring. The steering committee plans on meeting with OCPC regarding the RFP.

Executive Fire Officer Program – Fire Chief

Chief Carrico would like to enter a training program paid through a grant. The training program is scheduled for two weeks a year for the next four years.

Schleiff was concerned that two weeks is a long period of time to be away and was wondering if Carrico could be contacted if needed. He also asked if someone has done this in the past for a two week stretch and it was stated that others have left for two, three or four days at a time but not for two weeks. Schleiff was okay with this as long as he can be reached and that it is at no cost to the town.

Garron felt that the Chief is competent to get the coverage he needs in his absence and reiterated that the program is being paid for by a grant.

Moved by Garron and seconded by Roy, the Board unanimously voted to allow Fire Chief Carrico to attend the Executive Fire Officer Program in April 2012 for two weeks for four years.

Moved by Garron and seconded by Roy, the Board voted to have the Chair, Michael Schleiff, to sign the admission application for the Executive Fire Officer Program.

Blind Drive Sign – Thompson Street

Resident Ashley Baron Fontaine of 236 Thompson Street has requested a *blind driveway* sign be placed on her property. Bob Badore has been informed of this request and a sign has been ordered (which could take several weeks).

Resignation – Debra Bunszel / Council on Aging

The Board unanimously accepted, with regret, Debra Bunszel's resignation from the Council on Aging, effective immediately. A letter will be sent to her thanking her for her service to the town.

SCHEDULED APPOINTMENTS

Tim Watts – Taunton River Stewardship Council

Mr. Watts came in to update the Board on what has been happening with the council. The council meets bi-monthly and at this time there is not a lot going on. Watts mentioned that they want to get the herring back in monponsett pond but at this time there is no water in stump pond for this to happen. The dam has been shut down and lately no water has been diverted in the dam. Watt is not sure how the council can interact with this issue other than having the Board write a letter to our legislators addressing opening the dam. Watts added that Silver Lake has tried to open it with no success. He mentioned that funding is limited but there are small grants available. The council is having a meeting on Thursday (Oct. 13th) and Watts said he can get some info to the Board and asked if Seelig could post something on the town's website. Garron asked Watts if they had a three or a five year plan and he said there is no specific timeline but they do pick up on issues that arise. Garron also asked if the federal government has come out and Watts stated not really they give ideas but do not take a lead roll because each river has its own needs. Watts said that the federal government took a direct roll when they were going through the designation process but now the council takes the lead. The Board was amazed at what the Taunton River Stewardship Council does and thanked him for taking part in it.

Concession Stand

Lisa Hillcoat and Bruce Pulliam came in to go over the progress of the usage of the concession for the fall baseball program and the lease agreement.

Lisa wanted to start out by saying that everything is very nice... the lights, the volunteers, a concession stand committee for the spring has six people so far, a cleaning company comes in once a week to clean, having the hand dryers has been great no need to contend with paper towels/trash, it has been working well for the residents using the playground as well as the soccer players, several handicap residents were very thankful that the bathrooms were handicapped accessible and were able to use with ease.

Lease Agreement

In 2010 a proposed lease agreement was drafted by Attorney Mayo for the multipurpose building. The Board met with concession group, Municipal & School Building Committee, Youth and Recreation and changes were requested on the draft. The changes were then forwarded to Mayo asking him if they would be damaging to the town. The agreement with comments from Mayo on the changes has been given back to the concession group and Youth & Recreation asking them to review it again. Listed below is a recap of what was brought up regarding the lease.

Hillcoat was not comfortable on the wording of "Exhibit C" which stated:

The Landlord is not obligated to perform any work under the terms of this lease. And it is required under the terms of this Lease that the Tenant shall be responsible for all building maintenance and repair throughout the term of this Lease, whether such maintenance and repair be routine, capital or extraordinary.

Roy stated that it was agreed ahead of time that the town could not afford another building to maintain therefore that would be the association's responsibility. Pulliam said that they would be able to come up with the premium for the insurance of the building, which Seelig will look into getting that amount. Hillcoat did confirm with Babe Ruth that their policy does cover concessions and that Halifax Baseball does have liability insurance.

Garron added that the main thing is maintaining the building and paying the electric & heating bills. The grounds will be maintained by the Highway Department. He felt that a portion of the rent would help maintain the building if something needed repairing.

Seelig mentioned that the Town Accountant would like all money to go through the town and then bills will get paid through an account set up specifically for concession stand bills. The league can give a copy of the bills to the town, write a check out for the amount then the check will get turned over to the Treasurer, then get paid.

Hillcoat questioned the annual fixed rental rate and Roy said that they could work on that later.

The league will get a personal property bill on items that are in dwelling such as coffee maker, toaster, over, refrigerator etc. They also will need to have coverage for Workers Compensation. Even though the workers are all voluntary if one was to get hurt while helping they would need to be compensated to some extent.

Schleiff suggested that if and when things get broken to get them fixed right away so that it does not turn into a bigger issue later on in time.

Roy stated that Halifax Baseball would be the lease holder and all other leagues would sublease from Halifax Baseball. Seelig added that the more organizations who use the building the more wear and tear it will sustain and that after the first year if the town feels that they need to collect more money for rent then they are entitled to do so.

Roy mentioned that the lease should be for one year and not three as stated in the draft. Both Pulliam and Hillcoat agreed.

Moved by Roy and seconded by Garron, the Board unanimously voted to allow Halifax Baseball to utilize the concession stand for this coming Saturday and Sunday and the following weekend for their fall baseball program.

Dog Hearing - Gomes / Buttonwood Road

At 8:30 p.m., in accordance with MGL Chapter 140, Section 157, Schleiff opened a hearing to address a complaint of a dog "Brady" owned by Michael Gomes and housed at 20 Buttonwood Road was loose and off the owner's property and bit a fifteen year old boy on the palm of his hand while he was trying to get the dog out of a vehicle that was on the property of 14 Buttonwood Road. The hearing was held at the request of the Board of Selectmen.

Schleiff:

We have a copy of Chapter 140 Section 152 and at the board hearing swearing in of any persons who will testify at the hearing. So if you two are the only audience. And Tom gets sworn in... yes

The following individuals were present and sworn in by Notary Public Pamela J. McSherry:

Michael Gomes Dog Owner Laurie Gomes Dog Owner

Thomas Hammond Animal Control Officer

Schleiff:

Now we listen to the complaint testimony execpt and review any evidence that complainant wishes to provide. Word for word right. Who is the complainant?

Laure: We're married. We own the dog.

Seelig:

The Board is actually pleading this case because the way the procedure works when we have a dog bite unless the person who is bit complains the Board has a policy that they automatically hold a hearing as such.

Rov: Okay

Schleiff:

So we have not other complaint other that the town policy states that we drag them up here.

Seelig:

The person who was bit was notified of this hearing it's their choice whether they want to show up or not.

Schleiff:

Okay and nobody here heard from the actual victim (in audible) here so we'll move right along and listen of evidence from the Animal Control Officer. So Mr. Hammond.

Hammond: I could read the report if you would like.

Schleiff: That would be awesome. Thank you.

Hammond: The report was written by Officer Patrick Sterling

See attached report that was read by Hammond (copy attached hereto as Exhibit A and made an official part of these minutes).

Roy: You've gone to the property?

Hammond:

Yes I have. On Sunday I visited with the Gomes family and they graciously allowed me to tour the property and looks as though they are making a considered effort to fix the fence and repaired in places where it should be repaired and it looks as though the dog would be contained with not much of a problem.

Garron: Okay I just have one question... how did the dog get in the car?

Hammond: Jumped in.

Michael: Jumped in.

Laurie:

I think he thought it was my daughter because sometimes she takes him for a car ride.

Hammond: That's not usual... for a dog to do that.

Schleiff: Did the dog get out of the yard because of the hole in the fence.

Hammond: Ah I'm not sure if that occurred.

Michael:

This section of the fence that a tree fell on during the storm was kind of flimsy and he squeezed through it.

Schleiff: And that's the repair you're talking about.

Hammond:

Yes when I visited on Sunday they told us the fence was is in a good state of repair that it could possibly be given the age of the fence.

Schleiff: Enough to ah...

Hammond: I consider an effort has been made to close up the opening... yes

Garron: Officer Hammond...

Hammond: Yes

Garron:

Have we received any other calls or notices about this dog being pest or menace in the neighborhood any other bits or anything of that nature?

Hammond:

Nope. We have no... to my knowledge to the best of my knowledge. Ah there are no barking dog complaints there are no aggressive dog complaints this is the first. Relative to that specific dog.

Garron:

So we have an animal who is a little frightened that he was in somebody else's car and ah and a stranger.

Hammond:

Actually I am sorry to interrupt you... but my perception is the dog got into the car and the child in trying to remove the dog put his hand to grab the dog by the collar and his eye level which the dog probably interpreted as an aggressive move and the result is the dog responded.

Schleiff: Do we have any further contact with the people person who was bit?

Hammond: Haven't heard a word.

Schleiff: How's they're doing?

Hammond: Haven't heard a word.

Schleiff: No calls.

Hammond: No follow up from them.

Schleiff: This was how long ago.

Garron: This was two weeks ago.

Hammond: The date was September 24th.

Garron: Less than two weeks ago.

Hammond: Ya.

Garron:

Mr. Chair my motion would be that we table this particular issue and issue a letter to the Gomes saying that their dog must be contained in their yard it simple it's the leash law and if off the property it should be leashed. Doesn't sound as if it maliciousness... the dog... we'll assume the dog got out... I don't know that for a fact but some how the dog got out and ... has he jumped in other people's cars before?

Laurie: No.

Garron:

See that's strange to me dogs you know as well I do dogs (in audible) they just don't jump into strange cars at least I don't think they do.

Laurie: I think he thought it was my daughter.

Garron: Well at any rate that would be my motion.

Roy: Has he ever shown an aggressive sign to him... like has he ever...

Laurie: Not really. He's... we really don't have any problems with him.

Seelig: Did you meet the dog?

Hammond:

Yes I did. The dog doesn't have... my neighbor has two dogs similar to the Gome's dog it's a Border Collie ... they're hyper, high activity level dogs when I was on the property the dog was jumping up and down, barking carrying on but it didn't mean anything that's the nature of those dogs... my neighbors dogs do that all day long. So... it was not aggressive. Aggressive behavior is when lips curl and the dog takes a posture that's aggressive. These dogs are just hyper active dogs. My interpretation would be non aggressive.

Garron: Hey come look at me I want to play come on, come on.

Hammond: Ya basically.

Schleiff: Not like we threw a bone in their car and (in audible).

Hammond:

I mean that given my history with dogs that's not an abnormal response to... my dogs are... all the dogs have to do that given the opportunity especially when raising children. If the kids got in the car then the dogs thought that was the place they should go also then jump right in with them which... and again my children have their dogs and it's the same sort of a thing where the dogs become part of the family and this particular case I think it's just a misunderstanding. The dog may have thought that was that family and in the car he went.

Schleiff:

And where were the Gomes ... where were you when this dog ended up in the car. You didn't even notice.

Laurie: We went to Home Depot.

Michael: Papa Ginos and Home Depot.

Laurie: We went to Home Depot looking at fences.

Schleiff: So you weren't even at the property when this happened.

Laurie: No.

Hammond: No.

Schleiff: So Animal Control...

Hammond:

The Police Officer Sterling indicated that on the police report that they arrived after the fact.

Schleiff: Okay.

Hammond:

And they were in fact helpful... Officer Sterling had controlled the dog with the catch pole and then these people relieved him of that responsibility and took him to the home.

Schleiff:

So they (Animal Control Officer & Officer Sterling) were on site when you (the Gomes) arrived home and saw the animal well police there restraining the dog he... allowed to take the dog.... In the home

Hammond: Yes. My interpretation... yes.

Schleiff: Okay.

Hammond:

They removed the dog. Is that how it went?

Laurie: Yup.

Hammond:

They took the dog off the catch pole and... the catch pole is just a device to hold the dog in a position until you decided what you're going to do with him.

Schleiff:

So the indication of the officer is that he was safe enough to be returned to the home.

Hammond: That would be... I would perceive that... yes.

Roy: So I can second your motion.

Schleiff:

Okay all that I would suggest is that we're going to reinforce the laws of the Town of Halifax that you really got to keep the animal tied up, restrained on the street off the street... well um.

Laurie: Okay

Garron: Copy of the leash law.

Schleiff:

Unfortunately its happening you hate to see it with a kid... I have had my hand gnawed on more than one occasion. I can imagine this poor kid ya know... oh ya I have had scars all over me I just can't run...but not for a kid so...

Laurie: I feel bad... it's unfortunate.

Schleiff:

Well appreciate hearing that the fence is been fixed and please be vigil with the fence. Doesn't... more escape routes.

Rov:

My hope is that because we haven't heard from the parents of the child that he's okay... that's our hope.

Schleiff: At this point we're showing it as a verbal....

Garron:

I think it's a isolated incident as much as we have no history at this point in time as the dog has not shown no aggression towards anyone else once it was outside the car it do not show any aggression to anyone so it seems that it was an isolated incident that occurred.

Schleiff: So we're consider a verbal warning.

Seelig: Except that we're sending a letter.

Garron:

I think we should send a letter to them stating that the dog must stay on the property that there is a leash law I mean reiterating what's already out there that's

coming from. We're not trying to do anything that your not already doing because you already have a fence around the property you already repaired the fence the dog has been maintained there and this is the first incident at least that we have heard of any problems.

Hammond: Correct.

Garron: Okay.

Schleiff: Motioned and seconded any further discussion... all those in favor.

Roy: Aye

Garron: Aye *Schleiff*: Aye

GENERAL MAIL / BUSINESS (CONTINUED)

Chrystal Joseph v Halifax

Another appeal has been filed by Chrystal Joseph and a hearing date has been schedule for tomorrow (October 12th). Attorney Mayo has sent Hammond a list of questions that he intends to ask him when he is on the stand. All that they really are going to change from the last hearing is that he wants Hammond to mention that not only has the ACO and Patrol Officer responded a number of times regarding dog issues but also there is a criminal complaint involved where there was threat that one of the neighbors has threatened to kill the other over an dog incident and that it has escalated way beyond dog complaint. Hammond's impression is that the Josephs are slow learners and the reason why he says this is because they have appealed the process once and now are going for a second time and as stated by Attorney Mayo he does not think they will win this one either.

Hammond has since gotten a call that the dog was laying in the middle of the street on Brandeis Circle. The dog was leashed in the owner's front yard but the chain was across the sidewalk and in the road. (Hammond had a picture on the dog leashed in the front yard and the dog was in the street). This poses a public safety issue in which the dog could get killed or cause an accident. Roy voiced that it's the safety of the dog as well as the traffic and Schleiff added that the Board was specific about the dog being restrained within the boundaries of the property

Roy thinks that the Josephs should be brought in because it is like the Board is giving them another chance to get away with what they asked them to do. Seelig said that if it's the Board intention to change their order then the next step would be to take the dogs life, but he knows that the Board is not contemplating that thought; therefore unfortunately the next step would be that the dog be banned from the town. Schleiff asked what about keeping him the house but Seelig said given the past history of its owners he felt this was not a good option. Schleiff said the problem was not that the dog was not friendly but where he was doing his business. Schleiff asked Hammond to show the picture to the owners at the hearing tomorrow and state that this cannot be happening because the end result would be that they would be back in here before the Board. Garron felt nothing would need to be said to the dog's owner because if the judge sees the picture and

knows what the Selectmen had decided at their hearing then he will rule against the Josephs and Hammond agreed with what Garron had said.

Hammond wanted the Board aware that he did get another complaint from Mrs. Maher stating that dog is running loose again. Mrs. Maher asked the resident who's yard the dog was in if they could write a letter stating that the dog was in their yard but the neighbor did not want to get directly involved but said if a letter was really needed they would write one. Hammond also said that the court /judge is not gong be happy that we are using up his valuable time with this matter for a second time.

Hammond is hoping that this will be resolved tomorrow and is confused by this saying that there is a simple fix to the problem and the dog owners have yet to do it. Garron believes that it boils down to that some people do not like to be told what they can and cannot do on their property but said let it go through the courts and see what their ruling will be. In closing Hammond stated he will be in touch with the Board after the hearing.

Fourth Avenue – Leasing of Town Land to Mr. Keane

Mr. Keane has not contacted the office as to whether of not he would like to lease town property that he is currently using for his personal items. Garron suggested a letter be delivered to him by a police officer stating that he needs to remove his vehicle and materials immediately. He added that Mr. Keane has enough time to respond to this matter and has failed to do so. Seelig suggested that in the letter state that he has certain amount of time to do this. Schleiff asked what do we normally do in a situation like this and Seelig replied that the Board would send a letter stating to remove their items off the property and give them a certain amount of time to do such.

Moved by Roy and seconded by Garron, the Board unanimously voted to have Seelig send a letter to Mr. Keene stating that he will be given until October 25, 2011 to remove his personal property from town property and if not done so by the given date the Board will start to file civil charges.

Schleiff asked the Board that if Mr. Keane was to come in later this evening could they reopen this discussion and Roy and Garron were in agreement with doing so.

State Election Proposal

Legislation has been filed by the Woburn City Clerk regarding changes to the election calendar. The reason for this is to improve the ability of active military personnel, overseas voters and their families to participate in elections. At this time City and Town Clerks Association have not endorsed this legislation however the City Clerk and suggested that the Town Clerk inform the Board of Selectmen of this.

Wage and Personnel By-Law – Fire Department

The Fire Chief Carrico has recommended the following changes to the wage and Personnel By-law:

- 1. Add and delete various call positions
- 2. Delete retainers
- 3. Delete clothing allowance for the chief (at this time it is in his contract but keep in mind there may be a time where there is no contract for the chief and you would need something to fall back on).
- 4. Include call Lieutenant

Roy had asked now that we have a contract for the fire chief would there be a time that we wouldn't and Seelig said that would be up to the Board and as Garron said it would depend on the individual who would come in because they might not want a contract. Seelig stated that the contract overrides the W&P Bylaw but if there was no contract then it would divert to the by-law. No action is needed by the Board just an FYI and Seelig believes that this will be covered at the Annual Town Meeting in May 2012.

<u>ImageTrend – Software for Fire Department</u>

The Board had questioned the annual operating costs for this new software and asked if the money saved from the switch of IMC to ImageTrend would help pay for the cost or will there will be cut in services as a result. Chief Carrico stated that there will be no cut in services but the change from IMC to ImageTrend will cost more resulting in an increase of \$2,100, which he intends to pay for out of the ambulance billing account. Schleiff thought that there would be an offset with this purchase. Roy added that she understood why he wants this program and felt that it would be an asset to the department.

Moved by Roy and seconded by Garron, the Board unanimously voted to support the purchase of ImageTrend software at the price of \$9,000.

<u>Car 52 – Fire Department</u>

Chief Carrico stated in an email that car 52 has failed to get an inspection sticker that was due in September. The vehicle has an engine fault light on and codes were showing multiple cylinder misfires as well as having bearing or tie rod issues. Schleiff stated that we are paying a mechanic and that we might as well have him take a look at the car. Seelig will send out a memo not to hold off stripping the car just in case it can be repaired.

Fire Chief Contract

The Fire Chief's contract is up in June 2012, with the hope that the Board plans on renewing it, Carrico was wondering if it could be renewed soon.

Thank You Letter from the Fire Union

On behalf of the Halifax Firefighters Local 3159, Matthew Cunningham submitted a letter thanking the Board for signing the recent contact between the Town of Halifax and Local 3159.

Annual Halloween Open House – Public Access TV Studio

The Board informed the public of the Halloween open house at the Comcast Office here in Halifax on October 22nd from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

<u>Underground Camera – Fire Department</u>

The underground camera is damaged and cannot be repaired due to the fact that the company that services it has gone out of business. Plymouth County Sheriff's Office has kindly offered the department the use of their camera.

Fire Department Contest

The Fire Chief has asked residents to take part in a grant contest that is being run by Liberty Mutual. Residents can participate by completing an online quiz.

National Grid – Hurricane Irene

Municipalities that were hit hard by Irene who lost power and was not restored within reasonably promptly time can fill out a petition with DPU to file a claim against National Grid. An investigation will be conducted and if it has been determined that a utility company failed to properly prepare for Irene, did not promptly restore power, or did not implement their emergency response plan then DPU can prevent the utility company from recovering from the municipality and its residents all or portions of service restoration costs through distribution rates. Seelig asked the Board if they would like to take part in this and Garron suggested that a letter be sent stating that the town would like to be involved.

<u>Appraisal for Randall Property – River Street</u>

Moved by Garron and seconded by Roy, the Board unanimously voted to have Seelig sign the letter of agreement for an appraisal to be done at 2 River Street.

Reconciliation

Both the Treasurer and Accountant continue on this. As reported previously there are some questions with September and October as well as May and June.

Road Cut – 415 South Street

Moved by Garron and seconded by Roy, the Board unanimously approved Permit #2012-32 issued to Columbia Gas of Massachusetts for a 2' x 25' road cut to install new service at 415 South Street with the stipulation that the Highway Surveyor provide a date as to when the bond that he requested be released.

Firefighters Contract – July 1, 2010 – June 30, 2013

Moved by Garron and seconded by Roy, the Board unanimously voted to sign the contract between the Town of Halifax and Firefighters Local 3159.

<u>Health Insurance Co-pay Agreement – Firefighters</u>

Moved by Garron and seconded by Roy, the Board voted to have the Chair, Michael Schleiff, to sign the Health Insurance Co-pay Agreement for the Firefighters Local 3159.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Moved by Garron and seconded by Roy, the Board voted as follows to enter into Executive Session at 9:45 p.m. to discuss Firefighter litigation:

Troy E. Garron - Yes Kim R. Roy - Yes Michael J. Schleiff - Yes

Garron announced that no statement would be made at the end of the Executive Session and the Board would not reconvene in open session.

Moved by Roy and seconded by Garron, the Board voted as follows to come out of Executive Session at 9:50 p.m.

Troy E. Garron - Yes Kim R. Roy - Yes Michael J. Schleiff - Yes

There being no further business, moved by Roy and seconded by Garron, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 9:50 p.m.

Troy E. Garron

Clerk

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