# TOWN COUNCIL AGENDA October 18, 2010

The Town Council meeting will be held in the Moose Hill Council Chambers, Town Hall, 268B Mammoth Road, Londonderry. Regular meetings are cablecast live and videotaped for the convenience of our viewers at home. *All regular meetings will be adjourned by 10:00pm unless otherwise notified.* 

## 7:00 PM I. CALL TO ORDER

# II. PUBLIC COMMENT

- A. Interview George Herrmann (Incumbent) as an Alternate to the Conservation Commission
- B. Interview Truda Bloom (Incumbent) as a Full Member to the Conservation Commission
- C. Interview Jim Smith (Incumbent) and Larry O'Sullivan (Incumbent) as a Full Members to the ZBA
- D. Interview Tom Bianchi (Incumbent) as a Full member to the Heritage Commission
- E. Interview Tim McKenney as an "At-Large" Member on the Open Space Taskforce, Ad Hoc member
- F. Interview Joe Green as an Alternate Member to the ZBA

# III. PUBLIC HEARING

A. Receipt of three grants from the Department of Safety, Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management totaling \$22,990.09 for security improvements at Central Fire Station, to update the Emergency Operations Plan and equipment for the Emergency Operations Center.

### IV. OLD BUSINESS

A. Andre Garron, Community Development Director – Economic Development Update.

#### V. NEW BUSINESS

- A. FY10 Year-End Review
- B. Staffing Levels Finance and Administration Department
- C. Resolution #2010-21 A Resolution Relative to renaming of the lanes within the Whispering Pines Trailer Park

### VI. <u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</u>

A. Minutes of Council's Public Meeting of 10/04/10

### VII. <u>OTHER BUSINESS</u>

- A. Liaison Reports
- B. Town Manager Reports
- C. Board/Committee Appointments/Reappointments
  - 1. Re-Appointment of George Herrmann as an Alternate Member to the Conservation Commission, three year term to expire on 12/31/13.
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  - 5. Re-Appoint Helen Conti, and Stacy Thrall as Full Members to the Elder Affairs Committee, three year terms to expire 12/31/13
  - 6. Re-appoint Sandra Weston as an Alternate Member to the Elder Affairs Committee, three year term to expire 12/31/13.
  - Appoint Tim McKenney as an "At-Large" Member to the Open Space Taskforce, Ad Hoc Member
  - 8. Re-Appoint Joe Green as an Alternate Member to the ZBA, three year term to expire 12/31/13.

## VIII. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

## IX. MEETING SCHEDULE:

- A. Town Council Meeting November 1, 2010, Moose Hill Council Chambers, Town Council, 7:00 PM
- B. Town Council Meeting November 15, 2010, Moose Hill Council Chambers, Town Council, 7:00 PM
- C. Town Council Meeting Saturday November 20,
   2010, Moose Hill Council Chambers, Budget Workshop, 8:00 AM
- D. Town Council Meeting November 22, 2010, Moose Hill Council Chambers, Budget Workshop, 7:00 PM
- E. Town Council Meeting November 29, 2010, Moose Hill Council Chambers, Budget Workshop, 7:00 PM
- F. Town Council Meeting December 6, 2010, Moose Hill Council Chambers, Town Council, 7:00 PM
- G. Town Council Meeting December 9, 2010, Moose Hill Council Chambers, Town Council, 7:00 PM

# SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION COUNCIL MEETING OF OCTOBER 18, 2010

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- E. Interview Tim McKenney as an "At-Large" Member on the Open Space Taskforce, Ad Hoc member The Council on October 4, 2010 appointed Jeff Locke, which leaves one at-large position vacant. After filling this opening, the only remaining member to be named is a representative from Londonderry's state legislative delegation, which will be filled after the November 2 General Election
- F. Interview Joe Green as an Alternate to the Zoning Board

### III. PUBLIC HEARING –

A. Receipt of three grants from the Department of Safety, Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management totaling \$22,990.09 for security improvements at Central Fire Station, to update the Emergency Operations Plan and equipment for the Emergency Operations Center. Staff will be in attendance to answer any questions on these grants.

### IV. OLD BUSINESS –

A. Andre Garron, Community Development Director – Andre will present Giovanni Verani, Prudential Realty and Robert Tourigny, Neighborhood Works, who will offer their insights on the recent news articles talking about the 42 year low in housing starts, how that currently impacts NH, and what these professionals see for New Hampshire moving forward as the economy rebounds.

### V. NEW BUSINESS –

- A. <u>FY10 Year-End Review</u> Sue Hickey, Assistant Town Manager Finance & Administration will lead a discussion on the FY10 year-end audit.
- B. <u>Staffing Levels Finance and Administration Department</u> The Town experienced a recent vacancy in the payroll function, and recommend filling the position on a part-time basis, based upon the attached memo.
- C. Resolution #2010-21 A Resolution Relative to renaming of the lanes within the Whispering Pines Trailer Park The Town Council is requested to schedule a public hearing for Monday, November 1, 2010 to receive input on the recommendations from the Street Naming Task Force for renaming the lanes within Whispering Pines Trailer Park.
- VI. <u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</u> Minutes of the Council's Public Meeting of 10/04/10.

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- J. Town Council Meeting November 20, 2010, Moose Hill Council Chambers, Town Council, Budget Presentations, 8:00 AM
- K. Town Council Meeting November 22, 2010, Moose Hill Council Chambers, 1<sup>st</sup> Town Council/Budget Workshop, 7:00 PM
- Town Council Meeting November 29, 2010,
   Moose Hill Council Chambers, 2<sup>nd</sup> Town
   Council/Budget Workshop, 7:00 PM

# FOLLOW-UP FROM COUNCIL'S

October 4, 2010 MEETING

ISSUE ACTION RESPONSIBILITY

HB1267 Review new statute to determine impact/ Dave/Bill

Applicability to Town

(In process)

FOLLOW-UP FROM COUNCIL'S

September 13, 2010 MEETING

ISSUE ACTION RESPONSIBILITY

Assessments Review/Develop Hardship Criteria Dave/Karen

(In process)

FOLLOW-UP FROM COUNCIL'S

**July 15, 2010 MEETING** 

ISSUE ACTION RESPONSIBILITY

LFD Staffing Analysis Impact of contracting Ambulance Dave/Chief M

Dave/Margo

(In process)

Town Historian Seek replacement for Marilyn

(In process)



# Londonderry Finance Department

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Susan Hickey, Assistant Town Manager – Finance & Administration email: shickey@londonderrynh.org

To: Dave Caron, Town Manager From: Susan Hickey, ATM – F&A

Date: October 14, 2010

Re: Payroll Clerk/Office Assistant Position

As you are aware, the payroll clerk/office assistant position recently became vacant. This position is responsible for all aspects of payroll including weekly processing of payroll for approximately 200 employees, preparing federal and state mandated tax forms, prepares the necessary reconciliations and paperwork for month end employee paid benefits, and prepares the backup information necessary for the monthly invoice to MAA for police services, and various administrative office assistance functions. The position was funded on a full time basis at a FY11 budgeted cost of \$61,769.58 for salary and benefits.

In preparation of requesting the position be filled, various options were researched. I spoke with the School Business Administrator regarding the possibility of combining the Town and School payroll functions. According to the SBA, based upon the School's current workload it would be impossible for them to handle our payroll functions without needing to hire another employee on a full time basis to absorb the additional workload. Additionally, the Town and School are not on the same pay schedule or software system which would cause reporting and training issues as well as additional costs for software licenses. The Town invested funds a few years back to have an outside consultant review our department functions in relations to the SAU, and advised the proper course of action was to maintain separate operations. My review of the current situation with the SBA leads to the conclusion that the consultant recommendations are still valid.

Another option reviewed is outsourcing payroll to a pay check service company (PCS). While this option may provides cost savings to the Town, there are limitations based on the variety of hours codes used on a weekly basis and timing problems due to our 24/7

operations. Employees weekly time would need to be entered into a system by our employees, similarly to our current practice, however changes would not be able to be processed within the same week due to rigid deadlines imposed by the PCS. It should be noted that a vast majority of time necessary to complete the payroll function would still need to be completed by town staff, as a PCS would require the aforementioned coding to take place prior to providing the information to the PCS for final processing. The Town has a significant investment in its existing payroll software and personnel training, which outsourcing would create an impact based on its abandonment. The estimated total cost of a PCS is \$34,500 annually which does not include staff time for inputting time worked, insuring compliance with collective bargaining agreements, etc....

Another option reviewed is adjusting the working responsibilities of the payroll clerk/office assistant position in order to fill on a part time basis. While this has the lowest annual cost, recognition must be given to the impact on other members of the staff since the duties of the payroll clerk that would not be completed in a part time capacity would need to be absorbed by the current staff. As the Town has expanded its services, including the MAA monthly invoicing, special committee requests (energy saving committee, cultural affairs, Old Home Days, etc) volume of impact and escrow accounts, and financial reporting requirements due to federal, state and local regulations; the Finance Department has not expanded its staffing level during the past 5 years. Our final option is to replace the payroll clerk/office assistant on a full time basis as it has been structured in the past.

After careful consideration of all of the options and being financially conservative, my recommendation is to fill the position of payroll clerk/office assistant on a part time basis. The total cost to fill the position 32 hours a week would be approximately \$32,800, which represents a savings of \$28,900. The position would be included in the AFSCME 1801 CBA and would not be eligible for medical benefits or retirement.

If you have any questions or would like additional information, please let me know.

# **RESOLUTION 2010-21**

# A Resolution Relative to renaming the private roads in Whispering Pines Mobil Home Park

First Reading: 10/18/10

Second Reading/Public Hearing: 11/01/10

Adopted: 11/01/10

WHEREAS The Town Council established a Street Naming System Task Force

to enhance public safety by reviewing and correcting addresses which are non-compliant with NH 9-1-1 addressing standards; and

**WHEREAS** The Town of Londonderry is enabled by NH RSA 231:133 to

name public highways and may change the name of a private street or highway when the name change is necessary to conform to the requirements of the enhanced 911 telecommunications system; and

**WHEREAS** Internal, private roads within Whispering Pines Mobile Home Park

have been identified as non-compliant; and

**WHEREAS** the Town has received the full cooperation from the Town of

Derry to make the same changes to streets and properties located in

total or in part in their community

**WHEREAS** The Task Force, in cooperation and consultation with property

owners recommend the following alternate street names.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Londonderry Town Council that the following name changes be enacted, to become effective January 1, 2011:

Lane 1 be renamed Aqua Place

Lane 2 be renamed Burgundy Place

Lane 2A be renamed Coral Place

Lane 3 be renamed Gold Place

Lane 3A be renamed Grey Place

The Un-named road running between Lane 3A and Lane 3C, providing access to Lane 3B be renamed Lime Place

Lane 3B (westerly from the access) be renamed Orange Place

Lane 3B (easterly from the access) be renamed Lavender Place

Lane 3C be renamed Peach Place

Lane 4 be renamed Purple Place

Lane 4A (westerly from Lane 4) be renamed Tan Place and

Lane 4A (easterly extension) be renamed Raspberry Place

Properties with frontage will be assigned new Addressing policy.	addresses according to the Town
	Paul DiMarco, Chairman Town Council
Marguerite A. Seymour Town Clerk/Tax Collector	( TOWN SEAL )
A TRUE COPY ATTEST: 11/01/10	

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# TOWN COUNCIL MEETING October 4, 2010

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The Town Council meeting was held in the Moose Hill Council Chambers, Town Hall, 268B Mammoth Road, Londonderry.

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PRESENT: Town Council: Chairman Paul DiMarco: Vice Chairman Sean O'Keefe; Councilors: Mike Brown; Tom Dolan; John Farrell; Town Manager Dave Caron; Executive Assistant, Margo Lapietro.

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# **CALL TO ORDER**

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Chairman DiMarco opened the meeting at 7:00 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance. This was followed by a moment of silence for the men and women fighting for our country and for long time Heritage Commission member John Dahlfred, who passed away on Friday.

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### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

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Councilor Dolan spoke about his concerns with re-interviewing the volunteers scheduled for tonight. He stated that they have already been vetted for conflicts of interest the only thing we can glean from these re-interviews is a sense of their political alignment. They have served on the boards, know the time commitment involved and expressed his concerns about the process. The Charter prohibits this and he referenced Section 8.12 Prohibition "No person shall be appointed to or removed from or in any way favored or discriminated against with respect to, any Town position or appointed Town administrative office because of age, race, sex, political or religious opinions or affiliations." He said that tonight we do not have Charter violations, but he cautioned the Councilors to be cautious and not make a decision to re-appoint a candidate based on their political views. The Town is ignoring Section 9.5 that says we must meet annually with "...the chairs of all town committees to review significant actions taken by the committees, projects currently under discussion, and anticipated activity for the coming year". He said that is currently what we are not doing and have not done for years. He asked Council to consider meeting with the Chairs and not re-interviewing volunteers which is prohibited by the Charter. This time should be devoted to what the Charter requires. Art Rugg is the Chair of the Planning Board and Heritage. He stated that to interview Art who has served for years on many boards is silly, he recommend it not be done. He suggested instead interviewing him about the plans for the Planning Board for the rest of the year. Avoid the interviews and move forward with Sec 9.5. Councilor Farrell supports it and recommends interviewing the Chair because it has been about 4 years ago since it was last done. Chairman DiMarco said he does not disagree if the Charter says we should interview the Chairs we should be doing that. He also believes that the Charter says that the Council is responsible for appointing people to these positions to serve a certain term. If the line of questioning starts to get political then it would definitely be a Charter violation. He said he didn't think anybody on this Council would resort to that. We are elected by people in Londonderry to serve and part of our responsibility is to appoint these people to the boards. We should talk to these people again especially if things have changed. We owe it to the people who elected us to continue with the interviews. Councilor Farrell said up until 2-3 yrs ago the land use boards did the interviews and the recommendations were made by the board Chairman. It was changed a couple of years ago for no apparent reason. He said he believes Councilor

Dolan's comments are warranted, he stated he will have not questions for the incumbents. Councilor O'Keefe asked what are we afraid of saying are we afraid of something that might come out, something that might have been discussed. Councilor Brown said we voted at the last meeting by consensus to do this, typically the board moves on, Councilor Dolan is taking a different approach to a vote that he was not in favor of. He has not asked him what his questions will be. Nobody questioned the vote that was made in public session of 3-2.

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Re-Interview Lynn Wiles (Incumbent), Dana Coons (Incumbent) and Chris Davis (Incumbent) to the Planning - Lynn Wiles, 46 Bartley Hill Rd was asked by Councilor Brown if he attended the Woodmont charrette, L. Wiles responded he attended two of the sessions. Councilor Brown said at the first session he asked the designer what the commercial buildings were going to look like. He said he got the impression the design was already decided based on the vision the developer had. He wanted to do a friendly reminder to the developer that we have a design process in town which incorporates the Heritage Commission whose responsibility it is to specifically look at commercial projects from the standpoint of Heritage and Culture and the people who live here. He said the reaction he got was a derogatory comment about the Heritage Commission not doing a good job so far, and he dismissed him. He asked L. Wiles of his view of the Heritage Commissions recommendations as a Planning Board member and how does he incorporate their suggestions. He asked him how he feels about that type of comment. Councilor Farrell said we are asking questions of someone who is going to be appointed on something that has not been presented in front of the Board or the Heritage Commission, the Planning Board and has not gone through the design review. We are asking him to state what his opinion is on how he may look at a project that has not come to this community, this is not proper. Councilor Brown stated that this is a fair question to ask the applicant. Councilor Farrell said that he has to vote. Chairman DiMarco stated that he knows where Councilor Brown's questions are coming from but it is something that has not been brought before the committees yet and he does not think it is appropriate. Councilor Brown rephrased his question and asked L. Wiles what his views are of the Heritage Commissions role in the Planning Boards' process. L. Wiles responded he appreciates what they do, which is a lot of the preliminary work, they look at the designs, and they do a fine job to assimilate the design work into their review of the town of Londonderry. He was in Huntsville, AL a few weeks ago and had an opportunity to look at a development he did there and he felt he did a good job down there with a southern design. He thinks he will present a traditional New England design up here. Chairman DiMarco thanked him for his service and asked if anything has changed in his status to cause a conflict of interest he responded no. Councilor Farrell commented that it has been great serving with him for 5 years.

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Dana Coons, 2 Aspen Circle, is currently serving as an alternate on the Planning Board. Chairman DiMarco asked him if anything has changed that would cause a conflict of interest, he responded no. Chairman DiMarco thanked him for his service. Councilor Brown asked him for his view on the role of the Heritage Commissions role in the Planning Boards' process, how it works and how he viewed their recommendations on commercial projects. D. Coons responded he found their recommendations acceptable, he said he does not always agree with them, but overall they do a fine job.

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Chris Davies, 29 Perkins Rd. is currently serving as a full member on the Planning Board. Chairman DiMarco thanked him and asked him if anything changed to cause a conflict of interest, he responded no. Councilor Brown asked him for his view on the role of the Heritage

Commission how it works and how he viewed their recommendations on commercial projects. He said the information is informative to the committee; it keeps with that character of the town. He said he attended the charrette and felt that Andre's comment was possibly directed at what happened before we started having guidelines enforced. Some developments in town did not follow those guidelines and characteristics. C. Davis said he did look at the proposed ideas and they had some nice concepts particularly the grading on some of the residential units. Councilor O'Keefe asked C. Davis if he saw the board as considering what the public wants vs. the developer. He responded there is a balance; he learned that the property owner has the right to do what they want to do on their property. It is not for us to say they can or cannot do certain things after following ZBA laws. The request of the developer to meet with the abutters to come to some agreement and to sit down and talk with each other has worked out well. Chairman DiMarco thanked him for again serving another term.

### <u>Interview Jeff Locke for "At-Large" position on the Open Space Taskforce –</u>

Councilor Farrell asked Mr. Locke about his opinion regarding an article in the paper about their not being enough buildable land in town. What does he think about the Open Space land? J. Locke stated that he had not seen the article. He said Open Space has been meeting its mandate very well. He said he does not have any reason to disagree with the numbers Councilor Farrell quoted from the article. As an engineer and financial analyst he said he tends to be objective, he will be looking for factual information to support the conclusion of the taskforce. Councilor Dolan thanked him for volunteering and asked if he would have a conflict of interest in Open Space, J. Locke responded no. Councilor Brown asked if he has a personal perspective on Open Space. J. Locke responded he has been living here for 9 yrs, and his family would like to stay a long time. They have a vested interested in making sure that whatever the taskforce objective is that it is implemented. It is a delicate balance between the needs for growth and business development and what is clearly an economic viable community and state. It should feel like it is livable space, maintain some sense of tradition and stability. Chairman DiMarco asked if you live in Londonderry 20 years from now how would you want to see it but you just answered it. Councilor O'Keefe said the taskforce is formed to review where we go from here, what have we accomplished so far. He asked J. Locke what he would bring to the table to do things with less money, stewardship, etc. J. Locke said there are a lot of developers that will bring services to town, he would use his engineering and financial background and look at some of the assumptions they have, look at estimates of revenues and growth, try to build a consensus if it is effective and accurate and in general instill a sense of deliberate fiscal control to make sure that we don't make any assumptions that might ultimately create more problems than we solve. Councilor O'Keefe thanked him for volunteering. Chairman DiMarco announced that the other candidate for the Open Space Taskforce will be interviewed at the 10/18/10 meeting.

# Re-Interview Art Rugg (Incumbent) to the Heritage Commission –

Art Rugg – Heritage Commission, 11 Pine Hollow Dr. said he has been a member for 10-11 years. Councilor Farrell asked him how many years of service have he had in the community. A. Rugg responded 24 – 25 years of service. Councilor Dolan thanked him for his years of service. He asked him as an original Charter member what were his thoughts when he wrote the "Prohibition" part in the Charter. Did he envision this process that was started in 2008 regarding the re-interviewing of candidates? He asked if this was a mis-read on his part. He also asked A. Rugg about how he felt about it. A Rugg said it is the Town Council's duty to make appointments, and how to do it. Appoint on merit alone and try to keep politics out of it. It was designed by the Councilors to talk to people to find people to volunteer and on a one-on-one

basis to find out the knowledge of the individuals applying for the positions. Councilor Dolan asked A. Rugg if he thinks this re-interview process will encourage more people to volunteer, less people to volunteer or have little or no impact. A. Rugg responded that people volunteer because they want to contribute. Some feel that they are unappreciated as a volunteer. Councilor Dolan thanked him for his service. Councilor Brown asked him what is the role of the Heritage Commission and how important that is to him in terms of the site plans for commercial buildings. A. Rugg responded they get into the nuts and bolts of the design for the historical look of buildings. The design review process works. Councilor Brown asked how he felt overall with the board, A. Rugg responded they have done well; it is a compromise with the developers. Councilor Farrell said the Heritage Commission is an advisory board to the Planning Board and the Planning Board makes sure the recommendations are followed. Councilor Farrell asked if he can remember the Heritage recommending one thing and the Planning Board doing another. A. Rugg said no, they have a good relationship with the Planning Board. Chairman DiMarco thanked A. Rugg for his years of leadership on both the Heritage and Planning Boards. Chairman DiMarco asked if there are any conflicts with being chair of both boards, A. Rugg responded no, they feed into each other. Chairman DiMarco asked if anything has changed that could cause a conflict or interest, he responded no. Chairman DiMarco thanked him again.

Al Baldasaro, 41 Hall Rd said one councilor wanted to ask a question and was told that he could not comment he said that he should be able to speak. He told the Council that every two years the Secretary of State gets re-interviewed as well as the Clerk. Glenn Douglas, 6 Overlook Pass said the first charrette about Woodmont was held three months ago with state and local officials. He said that seven months ago he asked the Council about the meeting that was held with the Woodmont developers and was told that a Councilor attended and they didn't know when the meeting was. No one wants to answer the question and he was told by numerous people to ask the Town Manager and he has said that no one from town staff attended the meeting. Councilor O'Keefe stated that he was not at any meetings that may or may not have happened.

Councilor Dolan made a motion to enter a public hearing, second Councilor O'Keefe. Council's vote was 5-0-0.

### PUBLIC HEARING

Number of Units in a Residential Multiunit Structure and Associated Phasing Ordinance Revisions – Tim Thompson reviewed the history and went over the changes. The changes were to allow three buildings not more than 48 dwelling units per year in the R-III district; outline the phasing requirements for the R-III district when a conditional use permit (CUP) to increase the number of units per building is granted by the Planning Board (PB): change the units per building from 16 to not more than 20 when a CUP is granted. T. Thompson stated that the Planning Board believes this is an appropriate compromise that meets the intent of the request of the Council. Councilor Farrell asked if we have any workforce housing projects coming soon, T Thompson replied that there is a conceptual discussion next Wednesday night. Neighbor Works of Greater Manchester is interested in looking at the Whittemore Estates project that was approved as an 83 unit elderly housing development that has been stagnant with only one building constructed. They are coming to the PB to discuss a conversion to a workforce project with 8 unit multi-family buildings. Councilor Farrell asked if there were any projects sitting in design review before this one. T. Thompson responded yes there is a project on Stonehenge Rd,

they are still allowed to continue under the 24 units per building requirement from the previous ordinance. Councilor Dolan thanked the PB for their work; he questioned clarification of Section 1.3.3.4 that allows twenty-five single families on individual lots per year. Dolan questioned the density of units per acre and asked if there were any changes. Thompson responded it makes no change to the number of units per acre that are allowed in each of the zones. Currently we allow ten units per acre for a multi-family inclusionary project that is still the same. The only change is the number of units per building is being dropped from 24 to 16 because most multi-family project inclusionary projects are likely to be located in AR-I zoned districts which have single family homes. They were concerned with the scale of 24 unit buildings overwhelming predominantly single family neighborhoods. Councilor Dolan asked if there was some concern from developers about this making their developments more expensive. T Thompson responded it was more staff's concern. The workforce housing law is very clear that the ordinances and regulations can't have the effect of making it unfeasible from a financial perspective. It made a 7-10% difference in cost which was not deemed significant. Councilor Dolan questioned the escalation in the price of the buildings. T. Thompson responded that legal counsel's advice was as long as the board determined that it was not a significant cost difference he could defend it. Councilor Brown said the phasing changes, changed from 2 buildings with a total of 48 per year to 3 buildings of a smaller scale but still 48. People can come in for a CUP change from 3 buildings and a total of 48 to 2 buildings and a total of 40. T. Thompson responded that was correct. T. Thompson said the PB wanted to keep the number of units consistent as possible throughout the phasing requirements. Councilor Brown questioned the 5 criteria on the CUP listed in the R-III versus those in the Elderly Housing. T. Thompson responded right now there are no conditional use permit criteria of any kind in our R-III districts, we needed to establish those. T. Thompson said generally speaking the elderly projects have been successful; they didn't want to change those as they did with the R-III and inclusionary Councilor Brown asked if we allow conversions of previously approved elderly housing. T. Thompson responded we do but they are likely not going that route because that particular lot where Whittemore Estates is located would meet the CUP criteria for a standard starting from the beginning. They will probably abandon the original project and start a new one. It is allowed if they meet the CUP criteria for a standard inclusionary project they would be allowed to use those standards. Pauline Caron, 369 Mammoth Rd asked if the 16 density requirement applies to a planned unit development. T. Thompson responded no, a planned unit development (PUD) will go through a Master Planning process with the PB and those regulations will be set-up as part of that Master Plan for the project. P. Caron stated that they would have all new regulations. T. Thompson stated the intent of the PUD is that the Master Plan will replace the zoning for that particular area and that the PB will develop what the requirements will be for that specific project. Councilor Farrell asked if the PUD can say it is only 8 units. T. Thompson said yes if that is what is agreed to as part of the Master Plan. As long as you do not exceed 6 units per gross acre of the tract 24 is the maximum allowed. In terms of phasing and the number of units per building those are all items that can be negotiated as part of the PUD. Councilor Farrell clarified that it can be negotiated and the PB has to agree to it as well as the developer, T. Thompson said that is correct. Councilor Brown clarified under the PUD there is no phasing and no GMO at the start. T. Thompson replied the GMO will still apply in regards to the overall number of the permit cap for the town, phasing will be part of the development of the PUD master plan. Councilor O'Keefe asked if the PB would be using this as a guidance tool. Councilor Farrell said his assumption is he would personally look at what our rules are today; and what are they proposing and how does it vary. If everything they do falls within our current guidelines then we would have a good negotiation. He would want to know what is outside our

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current guidelines. Whenever a PUD comes before the PB it will be vetted very heavily. Councilor Brown asked when the designer publicly stated he will do 60 per year he is assuming something, T. Thompson responded yes. Al Baldasaro, 41 Hall Rd. and Vice Chair of the Elder Affairs said the developer took 13 acres of the land for elderly housing on Sanborn Rd. they could only fit 3 buildings on that land. They have to go to HUD to submit their paperwork. He asked if there is a definition of elderly in the ordinance. This is for 62 and over. T. Thompson said affordable elderly housing is required to be 62+. Chairman DiMarco clarified that tonight we are voting on a change to an ordinance we are not here to vote on elderly housing. Art Rugg, Planning Board Chair said the workforce housing has been about a two year process and thanked the staff and public for their work and ideas. He wanted T. Thompson to be recognized for his work. Councilor Dolan referred A. Baldasaro to section 3.6.5.2.1.3 of the zoning ordinance where it says "The owner of record shall enter an agreement to be filed in the Rockingham County Registry of Deeds, certifying that the project will be utilized and restricted to 100% elderly occupants (either 55+ or 62+ depending on whether the project is standard elderly housing or affordable elderly housing respectively)." Council's vote was 5-0-0.

Councilor Farrell made a motion to come out of public comment, second Councilor O'Keefe. Council's vote was 5-0-0.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

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# **NEW BUSINESS**

NHDOT Presentation on Exit 5 and South Road Projects – Peter Stamnas from NHDOT was in attendance as well as DPW Director, Janusz Czyzowski and Dan Premo who is the NHDOT lead reviewer. P. Stamnas explained that both projects are planned for construction the spring of 2011. Exit 5 is approximately \$48M of work and will complete the project at the Exit 5 interchange. It is approximately 2 miles of north bound and south bound mainline work. He explained they will relocate the northbound off ramp. Four bridges will be replaced, <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of a mile of Rt.28 will be reconstructed, new signal lights will be installed at Liberty Dr. The work will take approximately 3+ seasons and will be substantially complete the summer of 2014. The South Road project will involve replacing the town owned culvert on South Rd. and they will do some roadway approach work to the culvert. This work is all funded by the state. Councilor O'Keefe asked if the height of the road will change, P. Stamnas responded yes there will be some grade changes. Councilor Farrell asked if Auburn Rd will be involved, P. Stamnas responded yes and Dan Premo will give the details. Dan Premo went into more detail and showed plans to the public and Council. Councilor Farrell asked about the two lane configuration and the future widening of I93. P. Stamnas said the design is being constructed with a 4 lane footprint and 3 lanes will be carried through for the corridor with the anticipated future widening. He said a raised island will be throughout the area except for between Auburn and Liberty which will remain a painted island at this point in time. In the future if traffic conditions at Auburn Rd become an issue then the ultimate plan would be to extend the raised island all the way through from the north bound ramps through the Liberty Drive intersection. This would prohibit traffic from taking a left out of Auburn Rd.; they would have to go through Independence, out to Liberty Drive to the signalized section. Councilor Farrell brought up the

fact that the Auburn Rd intersection is already a dangerous intersection. Public Works Director Janusz Czyzowski said they brought this up to the state and they are taking it into consideration. If the open area does not work out they will close it. Councilor Farrell asked J. Czyzowski what is his opinion on the intersection, he replied he would like to see it closed. Councilor Farrell asked the NHDOT to consider Janusz's opinion. The consensus of the Councilors was that the intersection is hazardous and asked the state to put a raised island there. P. Stamnas said they want to see how their plan works and if it doesn't they will eliminate the left turn. Councilor Dolan said on the south side, exiting off the ramp it is full at times, would the state have to come back and modify the ramp after commercial developers have built around the area of Exit 5. Discussion ensued about the off ramps. Dan Premo said once the improvements are made at the exit ramp approaching Rt. 28 they will have two left turning lanes and one right turn, the design goes to the 2025 traffic patterns. Discussion ensued about the stop sign for right turning traffic when it should be a yield. D. Premo explained the traffic patterns during construction. J. Czyzowski said right now the proposed construction is 100% funded by the state, if the improvements might be changed who is responsible. P. Stamnas said it will be funded 100% by the state. Councilor Dolan asked about the state funding between exit 3 and 4. P. Stamnas said there is a report due in the near future about finding revenues for the entire 193 project from Salem to Manchester which is a 20 mile stretch. He said he feels confident the money will be Reed P. Clark asked how long it will take; P. Stamnas said the completion date is 2020. Chairman DiMarco asked if the Londonderry Trailways had been in contact with the state about the trailways. P. Stamnas said initially there was no contact, but they did ask to see what improvements could be made. The state did extended the footprint toward the west and made it more uniform. Councilor Brown asked if Exit 4A is in the 10 year plan, P. Stamnas responded from the construction aspect no. P. Stamnas explained that South Rd is part of the I93 mitigation package which includes about 75 acres. Approximately 7.5 acres is a wildlife turtle Work will occur the same time as the work at Exit 5 because excavating materials at habitat. the South Rd site will be used for the Exit 5 work. The culvert replacement work will involve closing the road for 2 weeks. There are flooding problems at that road. J. Czyzowski said the state incorporated our design into replacing the culvert and the state is paying for it. Councilor Dolan thanked both men for coming and asked for electronic files to be put up on the town website. P. Stamnas said he will do that. He also said he has some agreements with the town to do some work on town roads to control traffic and acknowledged that the culvert replacement on South Rd. will be paid for by State. He said the winter maintenance of sidewalks installed at Exit 5 will be the responsibility of the town. Councilor O'Keefe asked how much sidewalks were involved and P. Stamnas replied it will entail about 2 miles in length.

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Order #2010-17 – Relative to the Expenditure of Maintenance Trust Funds for Various Projects – Councilor O'Keefe made a motion to adopt, second Councilor Farrell. Councilor Dolan asked the Town Manager if this money could come out of impact fees. Town Manager Caron responded that historically impact fees have been reserved for paying for debt service on recently-completed improvements, construction of new improvements or to save money for future new improvements, additions or acquisitions. The Maintenance Trust is designed to pay for repairs for which all of the expenses listed in the Order qualify. Councilor Dolan responded that the Maintenance Trust Funds are under stress; why not take it out of impact fees which might be under less stress. Town Manager Caron responded that due to the lack of building activity our impact fees are not growing and are in greater stress than the Maintenance Trust Funds. Police and Fire impact fees are going to contributions to debt service in the FY12 budget. Chairman DiMarco asked what the scope of work for the bandstand was. Town Manager Caron

responded they installed a new roof, paint, new handrails, stained the ramp, painted the floor, and repairing rotten wood throughout the structure. **Council's was vote 5-0-0.** 

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Minutes of Council's Public Meetings of 09/20/10. Councilor Farrell made a motion to accept the minutes, second Councilor O'Keefe. Council's vote was 5-0-0.

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

<u>Liaison Reports</u> - Chairman DiMarco send he went to the meeting with the Manchester Airport Authority along with the Town Manager and Andre Garron and saw their Master Plan presentations. Councilor O'Keefe attended the Traffic Safety Committee and they talked about the parking issue at Kendall Heights. It was decided that the Police will first seek compliance with the parking regulations, if that proves unsuccessful, then enforcement would be required. Councilor Dolan attended the Conservation Commission meeting and the subject came up about the maintenance of the Musquash. He attended the School District meeting and they are going through a re-accreditation which involves a lot of work.

Town Manager Reports - Town Manager Dave Caron said he is starting to work on the FY12 budget in accordance with the Council's directive to maintain the same tax rate as the FY11 tax rate. Accordingly, he is working towards reducing the operating budget by \$1.045M as requested by Council and he had a department head meeting relaying that information to them. He asked the Councilors to review the upcoming meeting schedule including the budget workshops. The N/W fire station progress is continuing, substantial completion should be reached by the end of October. Chairman DiMarco asked if Litchfield Rd. is still blocked, he responded yes. He said the completion of the Page/28 intersection has been delayed due to the shortage of traffic paint nationwide. Councilor Dolan stated that it is important to maintain the consensus of the budget goal; it is a serious issue that it has to be maintained.

# Board/Committee Appointments/Reappointments -

- 1. Re-Appointment of John Michaels to the Londonderry Exchange Committee, three year term to expire on 12/31/13
- 2. Re-Appointment of Duane Himes as a Full Member to the SWAC, three year term to expire on 12/31/13
  3. Re-Appointment of Martin Surgis as an Alternate Member to the SWAC.
  - 3. Re-Appointment of Martin Surgis as an Alternate Member to the SWAC, one year term to expire on 12/21/11
  - 4. Re-Appointment of Lynn Wiles and Chris Davies as Full Members to the Planning Board, three year terms to expire on 12/31/13
  - 5. Re-Appointment of Dana Coons as an Alternate Member to the Planning Board, three year term to expire on 12/31/3
  - 6. Appoint Jeff Locke as "At-Large" representatives to the Open Space Taskforce, Ad Hoc position.
  - 7. Re-Appointment of Ben Parker as an Alternate Member to the Recreation Commission, one year term to expire on 12/31/11
  - 8. Re-Appointment of Mike Boyle as a Full Member to the Recreation Commission, three year term to expire 12/31/13

9. Re-Appointment of Patty Hanley as a Full Member to the Recreation Commission, three year term to expire 12/31/13 10. Re-Appointment of Art Rugg as a Full Member to the Heritage Commission, three year term to expire 12/31/13

Councilor Dolan made a motion to accept all the above appointments and re-appointments, second Councilor Farrell. Council's vote was 5-0-0.

Councilor Dolan asked the Council consider asking the Town Manager to look at HB 1267 regarding Hawkers and Peddlers. He said this law could allow us to impose that these people have background checks. He asked the Town Manager to investigate the pros and cons about adopting an Ordinance for this. Town Manager Caron said we have a current Ordinance in place requiring them to obtain a state permit and if they don't produce one upon request he recommended that residents call the police department. Town Manager Caron said he will check it out.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Councilor Farrell made a motion to adjourn at 9:35 PM, second Councilor O'Keefe. Council's vote was 5-0-0.

403 Notes and Tapes by: Margo Lapietro Date: 10/04/10

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