OFFICE OF SELECTMEN 6 HOLLAND STREET PO BOX 139 MOULTONBOROUGH, NH 03254

Selectmen's Meeting

October 16, 2008

MINUTES

Present: Selectmen: Edward J. Charest; James F. Gray; Joel R. Mudgett, Betsey L. Patten; Carter

Terenzini, Town Administrator; Hope K. Kokas, Secretary.

I. CALL TO ORDER: Karel called the meeting to Order at 7:00 P.M.

- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- **III.** <u>REVIEW/APPROVE MINUTES</u>: Betsey Made the Motion to approve the Minutes of October 9, 2008 as written. Jim Seconded. The Motion carried unanimously.
- IV. <u>NEW RESIDENTS</u>: Kendra S. Gravelle, Daniel M. Roy, Julie A. & Steven M. Steiner, Janice L. & Ross J. Bagley, David S. & Christine A. Boyce, Dana T. Lingelbach, Noel M. Monacella, George R. Swedberg.

V. <u>PUBLIC MEETING</u>:

1. Bill Denley, Candidate for State Senate, District 3: Mr. Denley introduced himself to the Selectmen, adding that he is the Republican candidate for District 3. He is a resident of Wakefield, an attorney, owner of a small business with up to 250 employees, and has had one term in the House of Representatives. Mr. Denley added that from his experience as an employer, he is knowledgeable about the economy. He feels that the state is headed in the wrong direction. As a conservative, he is against over regulation and the taxation of small businesses. He cited that the state has spent money it doesn't have. Ed asked Mr. Denley his opinion on a mandatory seat belt law. He replied that he is against it as it is a question of liberty and philosophy, and leaves it up to each individual to decide. Ed commented that leaving it up to the individual impacts the public at large. Mr. Denley commented that the biggest challenge to the state is the educational funding. His advice to citizens that share his views are to vote for fiscally conservative candidates. He added that he has ideas to trim the budget, but they are not substantial enough for the problems that the state faces. Ed thanked Mr. Denley for attending the meeting.

VI. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>:

1. Action: Re: Revised Location for Beach & Transfer Station Sticker: Carter reported that based on comments the Selectmen received at the Summer Informational Meeting and also employees at the Waste Management Facility, he asked Chief Kinmond to look into the possibility of relocating the sticker to the bottom left of the windshield. Chief Kinmond reported that the Department of Safety provided him with the SAF rule, that so called "privilege stickers" that are not greater than 3" in either direction can be placed in the lower left windshield as long as it doesn't block the VIN. Betsey asked if she can place the Town's sticker above her state House sticker. The Chief replied that the rule doesn't address this. He added that based on the rule, it states police authorized stickers

- may be placed in this location, but does not state municipal. When he questioned the state on the wording, they advised him that if police authorize it, then it is permissible. The Chief added that the PD has also had difficulty with checking stickers on cars with privacy windows at the beaches. Joel Made the Motion to approve the relocation of the WMF/Beach sticker to the bottom left windshield, based on the Police Department authorizing the relocation of the sticker. Betsey Seconded the Motion. The Motion carried Unanimously.
- 2. Action: Re: Authority to Advertise Surplus Equipment For Sale: Carter reported that he asked all departments to provide him with any surplus equipment and the list he provided the Selectmen, now has model numbers, etc. He requested that the Selectmen declare the items on the list as surplus, and if favorable, he will advertise the list in the Meredith News and several free media. On Thursday, November 13th the items will be located at the Public Safety Building and Andy will supervise, receiving interested parties' sealed bids, which will be opened by the Selectmen during their scheduled meeting. Joel Made the Motion to declare the items listed as surplus and authorized the Town Administrator to advertise them for a sealed bid sale to take place November 13, 2008, 8:00 am to 12 pm, at the Public Safety Building. Betsey Seconded the Motion. The Motion carried Unanimously.
- 3. Action: Re: Authority to Charge Fee For Disposed Metal at Transfer Station: Carter reported that due to the economy, the price of metal has dropped significantly and is now costing the WMF \$25 per ton to ship it. He added that Francis recommends charging WMF customers \$.05 per pound to dispose of bulk metals. Carter suggested the fee go into effect January 1, 2009. Betsey asked Carter to check to see if changing fees results in changing the ordinance. She added that if this is the case, then a public meeting must occur. Joel Made the Motion to authorize the fee of \$.05 per pound for disposed bulk metals at the WMF to take effect January 1, 2009, and if needed, schedule a public hearing for the change. Jim Seconded the Motion. The Motion carried Unanimously.
- 4. <u>Action: Re: Permanent Sign Permit Application, 517 Whittier Highway (Debbie Interiors)</u>: Betsey Made the Motion to approve the Permanent Sign Permit Application subject to there being an appropriate site plan for 517 Whittier Highway. Joel Seconded the Motion. The Motion carried Unanimously.
- 5. <u>Action: Re: Disposal Agreement, Mark Richter, 24 Buttonwood Drive</u>: Joel explained that the property owner must request the Highway Department to dispose of excess roadside excavation or other materials on their property and hold the Town harmless from any claims as a result. Betsey Made the Motion to approve of the Disposal Agreement, 24 Buttonwood Drive, and authorizing the Vice Chair to sign the agreement. Joel Seconded the Motion. The Motion carried Unanimously.
- 6. <u>Action: Re: Launch Request, Bubba Bassin, Lees Mills & States Landing, 11/12/08:</u> Joel Made the Motion to approve the Launch Request from Bubba Bassin, Lees Mills & States Landing, 11/12/08. Jim Seconded the Motion. The Motion carried Unanimously
- 7. <u>Action: Re: Lakes Region Planning Commission, 2009-2010 Membership Appropriation:</u> The membership dues for 2009-2010 is \$10,155. Ed asked that this be placed in the Budget File.
- 8. Jim Leiterman asked the Selectmen to comment about the recent Supreme Court's decision to dismiss the educational funding lawsuit. The Selectmen agreed that they haven't had time to thoroughly review the matter and will follow-up on the question.

VII. <u>OLD BUSINESS</u>:

1. <u>Action: Closure Policy (Awaiting Board of Library Trustees)</u>: Carter reported that he met with the Library Board of Trustees last Thursday. The Trustees have agreed to close for the 2009 Town and School District Town Meeting day, as they want to emphasize the importance of attending Town Meeting. However, they have chosen to not adopt the Town's Closure Policy, preferring to make that judgment for the Library. Betsey questioned if they understood that if the Town closes due to inclement weather, then the plowing of the parking lot will not be a priority. Carter replied that he did not discuss this with them, but felt they were aware of this. Betsey Made the Motion to approve the Closure Policy, with the appropriate edits being made. Joel Seconded the Motion. The Motion carried Unanimously.

VIII. OTHER BUSINESS:

- 1. <u>Legislative Update</u>: Betsey reminded everyone that November 4th is Election Day.
- 2. <u>Planning Board Update</u>: Ed stated they are scheduled to meet next week.
- 3. <u>Administration Update</u>: None.
- 4. Planning Board Meeting Minutes, October 8, 2008: Acknowledged.
- 5. <u>Library Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes, September 4, 2008</u>: Acknowledged.

IX. PENDING: None.

X. <u>CORRESPONDENCE</u>:

- 1. <u>Rich McCann, October 8, 2008</u>: Ed reported that Mr. McCann had questions about the money being spent for the engineering study to repair the playing fields at Playground Drive and the proposed fields at the Lions Club. Joel responded that the funds approved are for an engineering study only. The Selectmen asked Carter to respond to Mr. McCann's letter providing him the information requested.
- 2. NH Department of Safety, 2008 Homeland Security Grant, October 6, 2008: Carter informed the Selectmen that this is an FYI only, as he has given the letter to Chief Bengtson and Chief Kinmond for their review and possible action.
- 3. <u>Paul Punturieri, October 10, 2008</u>: Ed suggested and the Selectmen agreed to address Mr. Punturieri's request at an upcoming work session.
- 4. <u>Charles P. Johnson, September 26, 2008</u>: Betsey asked that the CEO and the Land Use Department review Mr. Johnson's letter concerning the Shoreland Protection Act and report back to the Selectmen.
- 5. Al Hume read into the Minutes a letter from Benjamin R. Foster regarding the merits and his concern about the proposed Police Firing Range to be located at the WMF (copy not provided at time of meeting. See attached).

XI. **ADJOURNMENT:** Joel Made the Motion to Adjourn. Betsey Seconded. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Ed adjourned the meeting at 7:51 p.m.

Date

Approved

Respectfully Submitted Hope K. Kokas, Secretary