Approved

Town of New Boston Selectmen's Meeting February 19, 2013

PRESENT:

Rodney Towne Dwight Lovejoy Christine Quirk Peter Flynn Selectman Selectman Selectman Absent Town Administrator

6:00 PM Non-Public Session per RSA 91-A: 3, II, c Personnel Matter-Rodney Towne moved to go into non-public, seconded by Dwight Lovejoy. Roll call vote: Rodneyyes and Dwight-yes.

Board proceeded to meet with Road Agent Dick Perusse

6:15 PM-Board came out of Non-Public Session and went into regular meeting agenda.

Road Agent Dave Perusse, Police Chief James Brace and Prosecutor appointee Todd Prevett were present.

<u>A. CALL TO ORDER</u>: A regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen was called to order by Dwight Lovejoy at 6:15PM beginning with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Consent Agenda-The Selectmen signed the consent agenda. Rodney moved to approve the consent agenda. Dwight seconded the motion. All were in favor. 2-0

B. PUBLIC FORUM:

None.

<u>C. APPOINTMENTS:</u>

None.

D. OLD BUSINESS:

Item 1: Police Chief James Brace-Request for approval of Prosecutor 'Memorandum of Understanding': The Memorandum of Understanding for Town Prosecutor was reviewed and signed. Todd introduced himself saying he is an attorney practicing in Amherst for thirteen years and is admitted in Maine and Massachusetts. He grew up in Mont Vernon and has many outdoor interests and hobbies. His partner and father is now retiring from the practice and Todd is now expanding his practice to include prosecuting. His wife is Attorney Diana Foster who deals with criminal matters. Rodney moved to accept the Memorandum of Understanding for Town

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Prosecutor with Attorney Prevett for the New Boston Police Department. Dwight seconded the motion. All were in favor. 2-0

The Board members present signed the 'Memorandum of Understanding' document.

Item 2: Approval of the public and non-public Minutes of January 14, 2013 and non-public of January 7, 2013: The Selectmen reviewed the public minutes of January 14, 2013. Rodney moved that they be accepted as presented. Dwight seconded the motion. All were in favor. 2-0

The Selectmen reviewed the non-public minutes of January 14, 2013. Rodney moved that they be accepted as presented and sealed for five years. Dwight seconded the motion. All were in favor. 2-0

The Selectmen reviewed the non-public minutes of January 7, 2013. Rodney moved that they be accepted as presented and sealed for five years. Dwight seconded the motion. All were in favor. 2-0

Item 3: Brief Overview of Deliberative Session-Peter Flynn: The minutes are prepared and are pending Selectmen review and acceptance. Peter sent a letter to interim moderator Jed Callen commending him for moderating this year. Peter noted Rodney did an outstanding job presenting Articles five and six. The Grange has also asked Rodney to present at their upcoming meeting. He is happy to do this to make sure voters are informed and he is concerned as only 60 residents attending the Deliberative Session to learn the facts about the budget. Rodney asked Peter what is appropriate for campaigning. Peter indicated mailings that point out the Selectmen's 'spin' are probably not appropriate. The web page contains Warrant Articles with the explanations and that is appropriate. The town also has the New Boston Bulletin that is a great informational document and probably the town's main area of publicity.

E. NEW BUSINESS:

Item 4: Review of Committee and Board Openings after April 1, 2013: A letter was sent to the various Board and Committee chairs asking them to check with members whose terms are expiring. If they are interested in continuing they are asked to submit an application to be reappointed. The Selectmen will review and consider all applications for appointments to town Boards and Committees. Rodney reminded Peter that any new applicants should appear before the Board as part of their application process.

Item 5: Discussion regarding Election Day schedule for Selectmen: Deferred to the March 4 meeting. The Selectmen will consider which shift they would like to handle that day.

F. OTHER BUSINESS:

Item 6: Town Administrator's Report:

- 1. Budget preparation Complete. The budget is posted and will be reposted as required.
- 2. Legal inquiry sent to Town Counsel re: Bailey Pond Road-still awaiting opinion.
- 3. Legal Issues –P & S for the purchase of the Thibeault Property- Awaiting signed Purchase and Sales Agreement from Thibeault. Their representative Vinnie Iacozzi has indicated their attorney is reviewing it.

- 4. Daylily Lane Acceptance Process: Town administrator prepared special Public Hearing for January 7, 2013 Selectmen's meeting. Road now accepted as town road.
- 5. Twin Bridge Property Deed Acceptance-Final draft sent to Town Counsel Bill Drescher and pending his review.
- 6. Send letters to Board and Committee Chairs-as above.
- 7. Election Day Schedule-looking forward to Election Day. The town is very prepared.

Item 9: Selectmen's Reports:

Rodney reported on the 250th Committee saying he attended the Founders Day Tea yesterday. The event was well attended and took place on the actual day papers were signed incorporating New Boston 250 years ago.

Dwight reported on the Planning Board meeting as follows:

- Town Engineer Kevin Leonard presented a PowerPoint presentation regarding asphalt and paving. Police Chief Jim Brace also attended to discuss cul-de-sacs.
- Kevin Leonard requested release of funds for the Twin Bridge project in the amount of \$91,714.56, which represents 10% of the bond for sitework.
- The Planning Board discussed Peter Beers' various businesses and whether or not he may be grandfathered.
- The Planning Board plans to discuss ways the process for single home approval can be sped up.

Public Forum:

None.

ADJOURNMENT: Rodney made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 PM. Dwight seconded the motion. All were in favor. 2-0

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