New Durham Board of Selectmen Monday, November 8, 2010 Budget Review Town Hall – 7PM

Present: Terry Jarvis, Fred March, David Bickford

Also Present: Alison Rendinaro, Mark Fuller, Mike Clark, Joe Bloskey, Cathy Orlowicz, Mary McHale

Call to order was made by Chair Jarvis at 7:01 PM

<u>Wage Discussion:</u> The Board will meet for a Budget Review session on November 22nd, at 7PM to review the Personnel Administration line. As the Board will have met with Barry Cox from LGC to discuss the Wage and Classification study by then, they will be ready to finalize wages, and discuss the benefits and insurance lines.

Highway and Streets Budget- 4312:

Chair Jarvis announced that the Board has made an offer of employment to Mike Clark for the Road Agent position, which Mr. Clark has accepted pending successful contract negotiations.

Mark Fuller and Mike Clark, jointly, presented the budget to the Board of Selectmen. They began with wages, and discussed, at length, the transitions that will be forthcoming with the retirement of Mark Fuller. There will be a position opening up that Mike Clark believes should be filled, as does Mark Fuller. The Town will advertise in house, as well as publicly for the position.

Motion by Chair that the Road Agent draw-up a job description and advertisement to replace the lowest position at the Highway Department, seconded by Selectmen March. Discussion: Advised to keep the description as varied as possible so the new employee can work anywhere.

Vote: 2-1, with opposition from Selectmen Bickford.

The total budget comes to \$613,415, which is \$26,039 less than last year.

Motion by Chair Jarvis to accept the Highway Budget- 4312- as presented at a total of \$613,415, seconded by Selectmen March. 3-0

Solid Waste Budget- 4324:

Discussion began with wages. There was a request for an increase in clerical time, from 5 hours per week, to 10 hours per week. The Board asked for justification of this increase. Both Cathy Orlowicz and Mark Fuller explained that Cathy averaged about 15 hours of Solid Waste time every pay period. The Board discussed increasing the hours to 8 instead of 10. The Solid Waste Department agreed. Line 4324-10-11 was decreased to \$5,836 at 416 hours.

The total Solid Waste Budget for 2011 comes to \$223,974, which is approximately 12% less than last year.

Motion by Chair Jarvis to accept the Solid Waste Budget- 4324- at \$223,974, seconded by Selectmen Bickford. 3-0

Town Historian Budget- 4583

The Town historian budget has decreased from the previous year's budget. As she does not need to purchase flags this year, the cost for patriotic expenses is down.

Motion by Chair Jarvis to APPROVE the Town Historian budget- 4583- at \$500, seconded by Fred March. 3-0

The Board discussed the outstanding Boody House bill with Cathy Orlowicz. A conversation ensued regarding the most appropriate way to deal with donations and fundraising funds received on behalf of the Boody House Committee.

Motion by Selectmen Bickford to have the Boody House Committee continue to raise funds by lawful means and to expend it on the Boody House as the Selectmen see fit, seconded by Selectmen March. 2-0-1 abstention by Chair Jarvis.

Hearing no other business, a motion was made.

Motion by Chair Jarvis to adjourn at 10:00 PM, seconded by Selectmen March. 3-0

Meeting adjourned at 10PM.

Respectfully Submitted, Alison Rendinaro