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**New Durham Board of Selectmen  
Public Session  
Monday, November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2011**

**Members Present:** Theresa Jarvis, David Bickford, Jeffrey Kratovil

Also Present: Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer Arthur Capello, Chan Eddy  
Technical Advisor for the Cable Television Consortium, Town Administrator Alison Webb,  
Videographer Mary McHale, Paddy McHale, Road Agent Mike Clarke, Transfer Station  
Foreman Joe Bloskey, Cathy Orlowicz

The Board of Selectmen's meeting was called to order by Chair Jarvis at 7:00PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Citizen's forum was opened with no citizen input

Public Hearing to ascertain the cable related needs of the community for the MetroCast Cable Television Franchise Renewal was opened by Chair Jarvis at 7:02PM.

Chair Jarvis opened the public hearing to public comment.

Citizen Paddy McHale – 104 Old Bay Rd. Would like to bring MetroCast up to speed with the market and provide an a la carte option for channel selections.

Chan Eddy, Technical Advisor for the Cable Television Consortium- addressed the comments brought up by Mr. McHale.

Cathy Orlowicz, President of the Historical Society- the Historical Society members wanted to know if MetroCast could lower the price.

Selectman Bickford asked Mr. Eddy to comment. Mr. Eddy disclosed that he is on the Board of Lakes Region Public Access. He has been speaking with MetroCast about technology upgrades, and asking if they will be pushing fiber into our service area. New development will get fiber, but the company will not be re-building over the already existing coaxial cable.

Citizen Mary McHale disclosed that she works for Wolfeboro Community Television. She said if the Town moved to LRPA there would be no Governor Wentworth School District programming.

Mr. Eddy agreed that the Town of New Durham would not get as much local coverage with LRPA as they would with Wolfeboro Community Television.

In an effort to get as much input as possible, the Board will keep the ascertainment record open through December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2011. Additional comments and input can be sent to Alison Webb. Any thoughts, questions, suggestions, and ideas should be submitted.

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Mr. Eddy left the meeting.

Appointment: Chair of the Conservation Commission, Cathy Allyn, has asked the Board of Selectmen to appoint Ron Gehl as a full member of the Conservation Commission, from his current position as the alternate member.

**Motion to move Ron Gehl from an alternate on the Conservation Commission to a full member made by Chair Jarvis, seconded by Selectman Bickford.**

Discussion- Selectman Kratovil brought up a concern over whether the commitment and obligation of the position will be fulfilled.

Paddy McHale- 104 Bay Rd. and full member of the Conservation Commission spoke in favor of Mr. Gehl becoming a full member, and urged the Board not to wait.

Selectman Bickford questioned whether he should withdraw his second if Selectman Kratovil wanted to gather more information, and the Board can vote on it next meeting. Selectman Kratovil will put together questions and present them to Mr. Gehl for answers.

Mr. McHale left the meeting.

Department Reports:

Transfer Station- there is a request from Joe Bloskey, Foreman to change the Transfer Station days to Friday, Saturday, Sunday, and Monday. The days for the public are currently Tuesday, Wednesday, Saturday, and Sunday from 8AM-4:30PM. The change would put the hours open to the public from 7AM to 4:45PM. The schedule would be comprised of four ten-hour shifts.

Tuesdays and Wednesdays are pretty slow days, and Mr. Bloskey feels that the citizens will benefit greatly from this switch.

Chair Jarvis voiced her concern about commodities being picked up when citizens are present and moving containers when customers are around. Mr. Bloskey explained that when Bestway comes to pick up solid waste, they drive to the lower deck to move and empty the containers.

Bestway is currently scheduled to come in on days when the station is closed, but they sometimes have to come on days when we are open. If a container is ready to be picked up, it needs to be picked up before it gets too heavy.

Mr. Bloskey is proposing that this change begins January 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Motion to change the days that the Transfer Station days are open to the public from the current schedule to Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday as of January 1<sup>st</sup> made by Selectman Kratovil, seconded by Chair Jarvis.**

Discussion about making a motion prematurely ensued. Selectman Bickford recommends getting everything sorted out before making a motion to change the days.

**Vote 3-0.**

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Mr. Bloskey left the meeting.

Highway- Road Agent Clarke has presented the Board with an in depth breakdown of road maintenance, gravel vs. paved roads.

Gravel: 1 mile of road, 20 feet wide with 6 inches of gravel on it would cost the town \$10,560 if the Town were to crush it in-house, if you were to buy it in today's market, it would cost \$41,600 at \$12.80 per cubic yard.

Mr. Clarke asked the Board to review this packet, and get questions to him for their next meeting on November 21<sup>st</sup>.

The Board needs to address the gravel issue soon.

Ms. Orlowicz and Mr. Clarke left the meeting at 9:10PM.

Building Inspector- Mr. Capello came to update the Board on the Library. The back ramp and the handrails are completed. The front walkway has been resurfaced and the railings have been sanded and painted. A skin coat has been added to the cracks in the front walkway. There are a few issues that Arthur will address with the contractor prior to submitting the invoice.

Mr. Capello left the meeting at 9:15PM.

Old Business:

The Board revisited the Budget Request for 2010. Selectman Bickford would like to consider giving the VNA something this year. Chair Jarvis asked where the money would come from, and Selectman Bickford recommended it come from the Welfare budget as it would be the most appropriate place to take it from.

Chair Jarvis is concerned that the Board cannot legally appropriate money to a line that was not funded at Town Meeting.

TA Webb will be looking further into the matter to help resolve the disputed understanding of RSA 32.

Chair Jarvis reminded the rest of the Board that she needed their edits to the outstanding evaluations.

New Business:

The Board met with the Tax Collector Ingham last Friday, where she was given some guidance on where to go with the upcoming tax deeding.

Mrs. Ingham has submitted two letters for the Board to approve and sign. One letter was to Map 239 Lot 024 and the second letter to Map 101 Lot 46, and Map 108 Lot 25-26.

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**Motion to send the office notice of tax deeding letters to property owners of Map 239 Lot 024 and to Map 101 Lot 46, and Map 108 Lot 25-26 and authorize the Chair to sign the letters on behalf of the Board of Selectmen made by Selectman Bickford, seconded by Selectman Kratovil. 3-0**

Future Meetings:

- Monday, November 14<sup>th</sup> at 9AM- Budget Meeting
- Monday, November 21st at 9AM- Budget Meeting
- Monday, November 21st at 1PM- Public Meeting
- Monday, November 28th at 9AM- Budget Meeting

Approval of Minutes:

**Motion to accept the minutes of September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2011 as amended made by Chair Jarvis, seconded by Selectman Bickford. 3-0**

**Motion to accept the minutes of October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2011 as amended made by Chair Jarvis, seconded by Selectman Bickford. 3-0**

**Motion to approve the minutes of October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2011 as amended made by Chair Jarvis, seconded by Selectman Bickford. 3-0**

**Motion to approve the sealed non-public minutes of October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2011 as amended made by Chair Jarvis, seconded by Selectman Kratovil. 3-0**

**Motion to approve the minutes of October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2011 as amended made by Selectman Bickford, seconded by Selectman Kratovil. 3-0**

**Motion to approve the non-public minutes of October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2011 as written made by Selectman Bickford, seconded by Selectman Kratovil. 3-0**

**Motion to approve the public minutes of October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2011 as amended made by Selectman Bickford, seconded by Selectman Kratovil. 3-0**

**Motion to approve the non-public minutes of October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2011 as amended made by Selectman Bickford, seconded by Selectman Kratovil. 3-0**

Adjournment:

**Motion to adjourn made by Selectman Kratovil, seconded by Chair Jarvis. 3-0  
Meeting adjourned at 10:15PM.**

Respectfully Submitted,  
*Alison Webb*