## New Durham Board of Selectmen Nonpublic Meeting Minutes Town Hall Monday, June 10, 2013

**Present**: Terry Jarvis, Jeffrey Kratovil, David Swenson **Also Present:** Jeremy Bourgeois-Town Administrator

Chair Jarvis called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

**Chair Jarvis motioned to enter nonpublic session at 6:30 P.M. under RSA 91-A:3 II (b)** the hiring of any person as a public employee & (c) - to discuss matters, which if discussed in public, would likely adversely affect the reputation of another person; **amended by Selectman Kratovil to include (a)** - The dismissal, promotion, or compensation of any public employee or the disciplining of such employee, or the investigation of any charges against him or her, unless the employee affected (1) has a right to a meeting and (2) requests that the meeting be open, in which case the request shall be granted; **second by Selectman Swenson. Chair Jarvis-Aye, Selectman Kratovil-Aye, Selectman Swenson-Aye. 3-0 vote on both the amendment and motion.** 

*Town Building Cleaner part-time employee-* Town Administrator Bourgeois informed the Board that only one person applied for the position internally. The current cleaner notified the Town Administrator that he cannot handle the additional responsibilities. The Board directed the Town Administrator to interview the internal candidate and is authorized to hire if they meet the proper qualifications, at a rate of \$12 per hour for Police, Fire, and Town Hall, and \$10 per hour for Library.

*Collection of Tax Repayments*- The Board recommended the Town Administrator uses the new Tax Lien form. The Board will address the issue again once additional information is gained from the resident's meeting with the Town Administrator.

**Repurchase of property taken by tax lien (Map 250-104-000)**- The Board reviewed an offer from a previous owner of a property to repurchase within the three year window. The person wanted to repurchase for the back taxes owed and have the Selectmen waive the 15% penalty. The Board decided that they cannot make exceptions and must remain fair to all taxpayers, thereby rejecting the request by the previous property owner.

*Legal Advice from LGC*- Selectman Kratovil stated that he spoke with Mr. Sanderson of the Local Government Center's legal services. He stated that recent events in Town departments cannot be ignored and should be looked into. Chair Jarvis said she has also heard similar complaints from employees in the department. The Board directed the Town Administrator to

contact the employee, follow-up on their original request, and follow the Town Personnel Policy if the matter is to move forward. Selectman Kratovil briefly brought up the Joint Loss Management Committee's decision to not further investigate an accident at the Fire Department. The Board of Selectmen have not received a Joint Loss Management Committee report. The Board will request this report once it is completed.

## Chair Jarvis motioned to leave nonpublic session; second by Selectman Kratovil. 3-0.

The Board returned to public session at 7:02 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeremy Bourgeois, Town Administrator