Town of Princeton, MA BOARD OF SELECTMEN Regular Meeting September 17, 2007

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM. Present were Chairman - Joe O'Brien, Members - Raymond Dennehy, Alan Sentkowski and Town Administrator - Dennis Rindone.

FY08 Warrant #6

The Board reviewed and signed the payroll and vendor warrants from the Treasurer & Accountant.

Minutes

September 4, 2007- Regular Meeting – Alan made a motion to accept the minutes as amended. Raymond seconded. All in favor (3-0).

September 4, 2007- Executive Session – Alan made a motion to accept the minutes to be released at this time. Raymond seconded. All in favor (3-0).

Tax Classification Public Hearing

Joe moved to reconvene the hearing on September 24, 2007 at 4:00 PM. Raymond seconded. All in favor (3-0).

Quarterly Report of the Fire Chief

Chief Raymond Laporte provided an update on the fire department and calls handled during the quarter. Chief Laporte said the department is strong thanks to the dedication of the staff.

Thomas Prince School Roof

WRSD accepted responsibility for repair of the leaking roof and will hire an engineer to access condition of roof # 5. The job will go out to bid immediately.

Tree Hearing

The Tree Hearing was reconvened. Alan moved to approve the removal of all trees listed except for numbers 21, 29, 31, 31, 33, 34, 35, 36, 39, 41, & 50. #45 & 46 are approved to remain unless it becomes necessary to remove during construction. The decision will be at the discretion of the Highway Superintendent and the Tree Warden. Raymond seconded. All in favor (3-0).

Draft STM Warrant

Article 1- Farm Preservation By-law is final.

Article 2 – Accept Country Lane as a public way - may not be ready.

Article 3 – Gates Rd land purchase – may have changes. The Board discussed borrowing at a ten year term rather than a 20 year term to save money in interest and fees.

Article 4 – BOH Mutual Aide - gives the town a choice to enter into mutual aide agreement.

5th Annual Employee Appreciation BBQ

The BBO will be held on September 19th at 11:45 am.

WRSD Municipal Representative Meeting

A meeting will be held on September 24th at 5:30 PM to choose a new Municipal Representative to participate in School Committee collective bargaining.

Five Year Review of the WSRD Regional Agreement – Public Hearing

Joe will attend a Public Hearing on October 4th at TPS to review the WSRD district agreement.

Land Preservation Study Committee

The Board thanked the committee for the detailed interim report. At the Board's request, the Committee will provide information on options available to residents wishing to preserve their land.

The Committee will meet with the Board of Assessors to clarify procedures for Chapter 61 land.

Other Business

Dennis will bring recommendations to the Board with regard to the town website in December.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 PM. All were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brenda Savoie
Administrative Secretary