## TOWN OF SHEFFIELD BOARD OF SELECTMEN WORKING MEETING DECEMBER 9, 2013 TOWN HALL 7:00 PM

Board Members Present: Julie M. Hannum, Chairman

Rene C. Wood Edwin J. Dobson

Others Present: Rhonda LaBombard, Town Administrator

Alicia Dulin, Assistant to Town Administrator

Members of the public

Chairman Hannum called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Administrator LaBombard explained that the Board of Assessors only has one member right now and is need of at least one more member that has completed the Basic Assessor's course. She stated that Principal Assessor, Tammy Blackwell, has recommended Christopher Lamarre for appointment to the Board of Assessors. Christopher is an Assessor in Great Barrington and has all of the certifications. Selectman Wood moved to appoint Christopher Lamarre to the Board of Assessors for a term to expire on June 30, 2014, seconded by Selectman Dobson. The motion carried unanimously.

Discussion ensued regarding the Borestone agreement in the Sheffield Business Park. <u>Selectman</u> Wood moved to accept the agreement and memorandum of agreement between Borestone and the Town of Sheffield as presented, seconded by Selectman Dobson. The motion carried unanimously.

Selectman Wood presented a DLTA grant application for a study on the reasons why Sheffield has a low percentage of 20-34 year old residents. She stated that Berkshire Regional Planning Commission would convene a group to look at the key issues regarding the retention of 20-34 year olds. <u>Selectman Wood moved to submit the DLTA grant application as presented, seconded by Selectman Dobson. The motion carried unanimously.</u>

Administrator LaBombard explained that she spoke with Doug Blume and he recommends switching the light bulbs in the Village Green lights to LED bulbs for the benefit of more hours and a softer light. <u>Selectman Wood moved to make the switch to LED bulbs in the Village Green lights pending positive conversations with Lee and Great Barrington regarding LED bulbs, seconded by Selectman Dobson. The motion carried unanimously.</u>

<u>Selectman Wood moved to enter Executive Session with the Zoning Board of Appeals for the purpose of litigation strategies regarding the Primax Properties appeal, seconded by Selectman Dobson.</u>
The motion carried as follows:

Chairman Hannum-Aye Selectman Wood-Aye Selectman Dobson-Aye

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<u>Selectman Wood moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Selectman Dobson. The motion carried unanimously.</u>

Chairman Hannum adjourned the meeting at 11:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted:

Alicia Dulin Assistant to Town Administrator

Documents reviewed at this meeting: Letter of Recommendation from Tammy Blackwell Borestone Agreement DLTA Grant Application