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**January 11, 2011  
Selectmen's Meeting**

**Present:** C. Guiry DMD Ch., A. Richards, R. P. McGinnity, & A.A. Milkovits

**Meeting opened at 7:30 PM.**

**Vendor checks were discussed and signed.**

**Agenda:**

**Appointments:**

1. Catherine Schwenk, Moderator, made three requests of the Selectmen: set the election hours for Tuesday, March 8th, set the Town Hall as location for Town Meeting on Saturday, March 13<sup>th</sup> and include a non-recurring warrant article for disposing of town equipment in the warrant. Selectmen will decide on all three items later during the meeting.
2. DRA Property Appraisal Division members: Director Stephan Hamilton, Joanne Tramontozzi and Greg DRA Monitors and appraisers and Town Assessor Richard Rockwood met with the Board to discuss the Town's re-assessment for 2011. The last time this was done in 2006, the DRA did not approve of some of the modeling that Mr. Rockwood had done. Mr. Hamilton opened the discussion with the requirements for the re-assessment. The Selectmen are charged with the duty of the re-appraisal and the DRA is charged with the duty of seeing that the Selectmen do their duty. One of the statutory requirements is for the Town to have a contract for the work. Richard Rockwood assured the Board and the DRA that he would provide the appropriate contract within the next three weeks. The contract must have the correct language and items in it. Before signing the contract the Board will have the DRA review it. The contract will be contingent upon Town Meeting approval. Mr. Rockwood will include the update work as well as the re-assessment work in the contract. He feels that most of the work will consist of the statistical study and sales review, as all the properties except for new construction have already been inspected. Mr. Hamilton emphasized that there will need to be re-casting of all values. Since there was a problem with the modeling previously, Mr. Rockwood requested that the DRA review all values before they are added to the CAMA system. Mrs. Tramontozzi will help with that and will also provide a boilerplate contract for Mr. Rockwood to use. Chairman Guiry stated that the Town takes the re-assessment very seriously and wishes to be cooperative with this endeavor.
3. BI Kenneth Wilson met to discuss the following:
  - Aguiar and plan to de-commission the barn apartment – Mr. Wilson provided an in-depth report with pictures on the barn apartment. The bathroom will be removed in the spring and re-installed on the first floor. He will be meeting with the Aguiars for the final review, when the work is completed. Chairman Guiry was concerned for the age of the leach bed but was told that the leach bed had been installed about five years ago. After more discussion, a motion was made, seconded and voted in the affirmative to accept the Aguiar's plan to de-commission the barn apartment.

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- Carol Iodice – Building permit was granted for the deck and inspection was done. Completion Certificate was also granted. After some discussion, the Selectmen voted to assess a penalty of \$150 on Mrs. Iodice for her failure to comply in applying for a Building Permit.
- Completion Certificate for Donald Hodges, lot B-22-3 for garage.
- Resignation from the Planning Board – Mr. Wilson feels that he does not have the time required for the Planning Board. He will, however, be available for short term projects such as review of subdivisions, etc. After some discussion, the Board suggested appointing the Deputy Building Inspector Eric Anderson for the position on the Planning Board. Chairman Guiry will talk to Mr. Anderson about this position. The Board regretfully accepted Mr. Wilson's resignation to the Planning Board.

**Selectmen reviewed the following:**

1. Request from Allan Oxman, on behalf of D.H. Hardwick to have the Board specify the criteria for the letter of credit. Hardwick wants to be sure that their \$5,000 is promptly returned after the logging is complete. Chairman Guiry is not comfortable having the Board set the criteria; he would like to send this to Town Counsel for advice. Selectman Richards was concerned for the "turn around" time of Town Counsel. There are some other issues that still have not been resolved by Town Counsel. Questions came up on who would pay for the attorney. After more discussion, it was decided to contact Mr. Oxman and tell him that the Board will have Town Counsel set the criteria and the cost will be assessed to Mr. Oxman and Mr. Hardwick. If that is not agreeable then the generic, blanket letter of credit will be required. Town Counsel will be contacted and urged to respond to this issue within seven days. Since this is the start of the new year, Selectmen will request that Town Counsel respond to and resolve all other pending Town issues.
2. From Primex WC – WCSIP Grant for \$1,020 for sealing and painting fire station floor.
3. Abatement application from Walter and Karen Couture, lot G-70. This will be reviewed by Richard Rockwood.
4. Request from Bill Rendle, 499 Brookline Road for help per RSA 72:38-A. Mr. Rockwood was present for this discussion. Mr. Rendle is handicapped and on SSDI and needs help paying his taxes. He needs to make some major costly changes to the house in order to be able to live in it. RSA 72:38-A is a deferral exemption that acts as a lien on property. Mr. Rockwood cautioned that depending on how much the mortgage is on the property could affect the amount the Town could defer. If the mortgage is too high then the Town may not be able to recoup the cost of the lien. He suggests that the Selectmen meet with Mr. Rendle to discuss his situation. The Selectmen will set up a meeting for the January 25<sup>th</sup> with Mr. Rendle, the Board and Mr. Rockwood.
5. From Chief Hutchins, forwarded email from Cindy Boucher, a new resident at 1248 Starch Mill Road. Mrs. Boucher complained of the speeding cars passing her house and the dust caused by the cars. Chief Hutchins had replied that the PD has done radar in that area and it appears that the cars are going the speed limit of

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- 35 mph. He advised that if Mrs. Boucher wished to change the speed limit that she needed to contact the Selectmen's Office to discuss it with them. No action was taken on this matter.
6. Copies of emails from several residents concerning posting of notices. The Town Clerk has been emailing out notices of meetings to her Clerk email list. Some of the notices have been incorrect which has caused some confusion. The Selectmen will meet with the Clerk and instruct her to limit notices to Town Clerk/Tax Collector information. A further discussion ensued on setting up a Town Website. The Selectmen will put in a warrant article for this.
  7. Police logs
  8. Other correspondence – notices of meetings, three notices of upcoming foreclosure/auction sales, filing of offices notice, etc.

Selectmen signed an Intent to Cut for MacGarvey, lot E-1.

Selectmen set the voting hours for March 8<sup>th</sup> from Noon to 8 PM. They also voted to hold Town Meeting on Saturday, March 13<sup>th</sup> in the function room in the Mason Elementary School. Mrs. Schwenk will be notified of these decisions.

Several of the full-time employees will be attending a health workshop sponsored by LGC on Wednesday, January 26<sup>th</sup>.

Selectmen discussed Assistant Road Agent David Morrison's actions regarding the sale of the scrap metal. The Board voted to issue a disciplinary letter to Mr. Morrison to reprimand him for accepting receipts in his name for municipal property.

Selectmen set the following meeting dates:

- Tuesday, January 18<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 – 7:30 PM the Board will review the applications for the Highway Department position.
- Tuesday, January 18<sup>th</sup> Budget Meeting – 7:30 PM Fire Department Budget, 8 PM Police Department Budget, 8:30 PM Highway Department Budget
- Thursday, January 20<sup>th</sup> Working Meeting – 6:30 PM meet with Road Agent Brackett and Police Chief Hutchins
- Tuesday, February 1<sup>st</sup> – Public Budget Hearing – final budget hearing 7 PM

Chairman Guiry has donated the burner for the Highway Department Garage at a cost of \$1,600. Thank you Dr. Guiry!

Meeting adjourned at 10:00PM.

*Barbara L. Melkano*  
*Admin. Assistant*