Minutes of the Special Selectboard Meeting of Wednesday, November 18, 2015 at 6:30 PM

Members present: Linda Cook, Chair; Christopher Ashley; Steve Flanders; Dan Goulet; Mary Layton, Vice-Chair; Neil Fulton, Town Manager; Nancy Kramer, Assistant to the Town Manager.

There were about 20 people in the audience.

Also participating: Kris Clement, Andy Hodgdon, Jill Kearney Niles, Steve Leinoff, Cheryl Lindberg, Suzanne Lupien, Jim Masland, Mary McGovern, Bonnie Munday, Tim Pangburn, Doug Robinson, Roberta Robinson, Melissa Scanlan, Amy Somerstein, Nate Stearns.

Cook opened the meeting at 6:30 pm.

1. Norwich Pool Permit Denial Appeal (Discussion/Possible Action Item). Scanlan reviewed the public trust doctrine stating it should get a quicker resolution of the issue due to arguing law only. Stearns indicated that he felt a stream alteration permit would still be necessary. Both Scanlan and Stearns answered questions put to them from the Selectboard and the public. After discussion and public input, Ashley **moved** (2nd Flanders) to authorize the Town Manager to file an appeal on the Norwich Pool Dam permit denial. **Motion failed 2 to 3** (yes – Ashley and Flanders; no – Cook, Goulet and Layton).

There was a short break taken at this point.

2. All Departments Budget Presentations (Discussion/Possible Action Item). After discussion, the Selectboard agreed that no outside agencies would be asked to attend the December 2nd special meeting. Fulton presented a PowerPoint presentation reviewing the budgets in the following order: Planning, Town Clerk/BCABOA/Statutory Meetings, Finance, Town Administration, Assessor/Listers, Recreation, Public Works, Police, Fire and Emergency Management. Action taken: VLCT dues increased to \$4,705. A hard copy of the budget PowerPoint presentation will be distributed to the Selectboard.

Flanders moved (2nd Layton) to adjourn. **Motion passed**. Meeting adjourned at 10:14 pm.

Approved by the Selectboard on December 9, 2015.

By Nancy Kramer Assistant to the Town Manager

Linda Cook Selectboard Chair

Next Regular Meeting – November 24, 2015 at 6:30 PM

Special Selectboard Meeting – <u>December 2, 2015</u> at 6:30 PM

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