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Minutes of the Selectboard Meeting Tuesday, August 26, 2003 at 5:45 PM

Members Present: Liz Blum, Chair; Jack Candon, Linda Cook; Nancy Hoggson; Suzanne Stofflet; Dennis Pavlicek, Town Manager, Secretary Tina Moses.

Also Participating: Dennis Kaufman, Lynn McGrew, Brion McMullan. There were approximately 15 members in the audience at this meeting.

1) Stofflet **moved** to enter into Executive Session for purposes of personnel and litigation whose premature disclosure could prove a disadvantage to the town (second Hoggson). The board asked the Town Manager, his assistant and the Chief of Police to join the meeting. The board reconvened into public session at 6:30pm.

Blum opened the meeting at 6:30pm

- 2) Approval of Agenda – public session – 6:30pm – Stofflet **moved** to approve the agenda as amended (second Hoggson). **Motion passed.**
 - 3) Public Comments – McGrew asked about the statutory rules for posting of meetings. Pavlicek explained we will post an official notice of regularly scheduled Selectboard meetings. Kaufman gave an update on the reappraisal process. Cook said that Olde Home Day will be 9/13 – the theme is Circus world with the parade at 11:00am.
 - 4) Town Manager’s Report – Pavlicek read his report aloud for the group.
- 1) Finance
 - a) Legal bills – One legal for Brady & Callahan for the Clem appeal in the amount of \$2,375.00. One legal bill for Desmeules, Olmstead and Ostler for the Melendy property in the amount of \$270.00.
 - b) Orders on the General Fund – Approved on an off week.
 - 2) Land Transfer from the Fire District – Pavlicek explained the Fire District is willing to transfer the land that the Transfer Station is on to the town. He explained that two quitclaim deeds should be prepared for the Fire District to sign off on. Vincent said it will be on the warrant at the January meeting of the Fire District for approval.
 - 3) Upper Valley Land Trust – Milt Frye Baseline Documentation Report. Hoggson **moved** to accept the document (second Stofflet). Candon asked several questions about the statutory rules surrounding the transfer of land at the Milt Frye Nature Center. Motion withdrawn. Postponed to next meeting.
 - 4) Listers
 - a) Errors and Omissions - postponed
 - 5) Correspondence –Hoggson **moved** to accept all of the correspondence as presented (second Candon). **Motion passed.**
 - 6) Selectboard
 - a) Cooperative Health Insurance programs between neighboring towns and governmental entities – Blum said she and Candon had talked about meeting with other Selectboards to discuss what options our communities have in the health care area. Pavlicek said he is planning on putting together an employee committee to review the need for possible

changes. This committee will hopefully include members from all departments. Cook reviewed the past Selectboard's research on healthcare, cafeteria plans and other options. Pavlicek will coordinate a meeting with a group of community's leaders as well as our legislators to discuss the issue of health care.

- b) Police Union Contract - Local 3797 – 7/1/03 – 6/30/06. Candon **moved** to offer terms of the Agreement Between The Town of Norwich and A.F.S.C.M.E. Council 93, Local 3797, AFL-CIO Chapter 6 for the period of July 1, 2003 – June 30, 2006 as proposed by the Town Manger and Chief contingent of acceptance of the union and that the contract be kept confidential until approved by the Union (second Cook). **Motion passed.**
- c) Minutes of Selectboard Meeting
 - i) August 12, 2003 – Cook **moved** to approve (second Stofflet). **Motion passed.**

Cook **moved** to adjourn at 7:30pm (second Stofflet). **Motion passed.**

Next Regular Meeting – September 9, 2003 at 6:30 PM

Approved by the Selectboard on _____

By, Kristina Moses
Selectboard Secretary

Liz Blum
Selectboard Chair