

Minutes of the Special Selectboard Meeting of Wednesday, July 6, 2005 at 5:30 PM

Members present: Alison May, Chair; Jack Candon; Ed Childs; Gerard Chapdelaine; Nancy Kramer, Administrative Assistant

There were about 6 people in the audience.

Also participating: Dennis Kaufman, Jill Kearney, Cheryl Lindberg, Chief Doug Robinson, Roberta Robinson, Henry Scheier, Irv Thomae

May opened the meeting at 5:30 pm.

1. Set Tax Rate (Action Item). Thomae explained to the Selectboard how the Finance Committee arrived at their recommendation for the Town Tax Rate. There was discussion regarding use of Undesignated Funds to offset the amount to be raised from property taxes, the Town Grand List number used and the makeup of Other Town Revenues.

Candon **moved** (2<sup>nd</sup> Childs) to set the Town Tax Rate for FY06 at .4516, plus the Local Agreement Rate of .0017, for a Total Town Tax Rate of .4533. **Motion passed.**

2. Selectboard to Vote to Expend Approximately \$7,500 from the Designated Pool Fund to Repair the Norwich Pool Dam (Action Item). Chapdelaine **moved** (2<sup>nd</sup> Childs) that the Selectboard approve the expenditure of approximately \$7,500 from the Designated Pool Fund. After discussion, the motion was **withdrawn** and the Selectboard unanimously agreed to put action off until such time as a final bill from Northwoods Excavating Inc. has been received.

3. Selectboard to Vote to Approve Lease of Police Cruiser using Designated Funds in the Police Cruiser Account in the Amount of \$7,760.44 (Action Item). Candon **moved** (2<sup>nd</sup> Chapdelaine) to authorize the use of \$7,760.44 in the Designated Police Cruiser Fund for the lease of a police cruiser. After discussion regarding why the lease versus purchase of a police cruiser, the motion was **withdrawn**. The Selectboard charged Chief Robinson to come back to them with a package to buy a police cruiser at their July 13<sup>th</sup> meeting.

4. Finance – Board to Sign Accounts Payable/Warrants (Action Item). Candon **moved** (2<sup>nd</sup> Chapdelaine) to approve Check Warrant Reports # 05-48, 05-49 and 05-50 in the amounts of \$19,797.78, \$3.23 and \$25,000.00, respectively, for the period from 06/23/2005 to 06/30/2005; and to approve Check Warrant Report #06-01 in the amount of \$120,486.23 for the period from 07/01/2005 to 07/06/2005. **Motion passed.**

5. Litigation (Executive Session may be Required). Pursuant to Title 1 VSA § 313(a)(1), Chapdelaine **moved** (2<sup>nd</sup> Childs) to move into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing litigation and to invite Frank Olmstead to join the session. **Motion passed.** Candon recused himself from this session.

The Selectboard returned to public session at 7:30 pm. Childs **moved** (2<sup>nd</sup> Chapdelaine) "The Selectboard encourages the DRB to accommodate Simpson Development's request, regarding their application for a 5 unit structure on Main Street, to meet again with the DRB. We believe this is in the interest of the Town, because the DRB has control over the design of this proposed structure. Simpson Development has a permit to build a duplex on this land, over which the DRB has no design control." **Motion passed.**

Childs **moved** (2<sup>nd</sup> Chapdelaine) to adjourn. **Motion passed.** Meeting adjourned at 7:33 pm.

Approved by the Selectboard on August 24, 2005.

By Nancy Kramer  
Administrative Assistant

Alison May  
Selectboard Chair

Next Regular Meeting – July 13, 2005 at 6:30 pm