

Minutes of the Special Selectboard Meeting of Wednesday, January 4, 2006 at 6:30 PM

Members present: Alison May, Chair; Jack Candon; Ed Childs; Gerard Chapdelaine; Stephen Soares, Town Manager; Nancy Kramer, Administrative Assistant. Absent: Ben Ptashnik.

There were about 9 people in the audience.

Also participating: Neil Fulton, Andy Hodgdon, Dennis Kaufman, Jill Kearney, Doug Kennedy, Cheryl Lindberg, Doug Robinson, Roberta Robinson

May opened the meeting at 6:32 pm.

1. Finance – Board to Sign Accounts Payable/Warrants (Action Item). Childs **moved** (2<sup>nd</sup> Chapdelaine) to approve Check Warrant Report #06-40 in the amount of \$172,649.31 for the period from 12/22/2005 to 1/4/2006. **Motion passed.**

2. FY07 Budget Work Session (Discussion). May postponed Selectboard discussion of revenues and Designated Funds until the first Public Hearing on the budget on January 11<sup>th</sup>.

After a brief discussion, the Selectboard agreed to revisit the Lister wage/stipend and Lister Clerk wage at the January 11<sup>th</sup> Selectboard meeting.

May polled the Selectboard members present on using the 3.7% Northeast COLA as of November, 2005 for Town employees for FY07 wage increases. The Board unanimously decided to do so.

Kennedy spoke about the Recreation Council's recommendation of a 10% pay increase for the Recreation Director due to her high level of performance, longevity and making her salary comparable with her peers in other towns. Soares and the Selectboard agreed that the proposed 6% increase for FY07 was a fair increase and that parity would have to be accomplished in increments. Kearney opened up a discussion on the possibility of the Recreation Department being charged for use of the Marion Cross School in the near future. The Selectboard decided to revisit whether or not additional funds should be budgeted for this after they receive more information.

May requested that the amount budgeted for the Windsor County Tax Assessment be changed to 2.45%.

May announced that CATV would be broadcasting the January Selectboard meetings on Channel 10 at 8:00 pm on Thursdays.

3. Selectboard

- a) Real Estate (Executive Session may be Required). Pursuant to Title 1 VSA § 313(a)(2), Childs **moved** (2<sup>nd</sup> Chapdelaine) to move into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing real estate and to invite Steve Soares, Doug Robinson and Neil Fulton to join the Session. **Motion passed.** Candon **moved** (2<sup>nd</sup> Childs) to move out of executive session at 8:55 pm.

The Chair stated that the Selectboard has elected not to take action.

Candon **moved** (2<sup>nd</sup> Childs) to adjourn. **Motion passed.** Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Approved by the Selectboard on January 18, 2006.

By Nancy Kramer  
Administrative Assistant

Alison May  
Selectboard Chair

Next Regular Meeting – January 11, 2006 at 6:30 PM

Pending Items:

- 1) Zoning Regulations Review
- 2) Personnel Policies
- 3) Private Driveway Policy

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