Minutes of the Special Selectboard Meeting of Wednesday, March 5, 2008 at 5:30 PM ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Members present: Ed Childs; Alison May; Gerard Chapdelaine; Suzanne Lupien; Sarah Nunan; Stephen Soares, Town Manager; Nancy Kramer, Assistant to the Town Manager.

There were about 2 people in the audience.

1. Nominations and Election of Chair (Action Item). Soares opened the meeting at 5:30 pm and requested a nomination for chair. On the third try, Lupien nominated Chapdelaine for Selectboard Chair (2nd Nunan). **Motion to nominate Chapdelaine passed**. Chapdelaine abstained.

Nunan nominated Lupien for Vice-Chair. Motion passed.

2. Choose Official Town Newspaper (Action Item). May **moved** (2nd Childs) that the Valley News be the official paper of the Town of Norwich. **Motion passed**.

3. Set Selectboard Regular Meeting Schedule (Action Item). After some discussion, Childs **moved** (2nd Nunan) to set their regularly scheduled meetings for the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month at 6:30 pm. **Motion passed.** The Board asked the Town Manager to develop a new Selectboard Calendar for the March 26th meeting.

The Board discussed having a retreat to discuss goals. This will be an agenda item for the March 12th meeting.

Chapdelaine said that there may be periodic Selectboard meetings where the Town's vision and direction are discussed.

Meeting rules will also be reviewed at the March 12th meeting.

4. Open Positions (Discussion/Action Item). The Selectboard asked if a brief description of each position could be included. Open positions and descriptions will go out on the Town Email list and be posted on the Town website at <u>www.norwich.vt.us</u>.

5. Authorize Chair or Alternate to Sign Payroll Warrant. May **moved** (2nd Childs) to authorize the Chair or the Vice-Chair to examine and sign the Payroll Warrant. **Motion passed.**

6. Authorize Chair or Alternate to Sign Accounts Payable. May **moved** (2nd Childs) to authorize the Chair or the Vice-Chair to examine and sign the Accounts Payable Warrants. **Motion passed.**

May **moved** (2nd Childs) to adjourn. **Motion passed**. Meeting adjourned at 5:58 pm.

Approved by the Selectboard on March 26, 2008.

By Nancy Kramer Assistant to the Town Manager Gerard Chapdelaine Selectboard Chair

Next Regular Meeting - March 12, 2008 at 6:30 PM

Pending Items:

- 1) Hartford Dispatch Services Agreement
- 2) Farrell Farm Road Acceptance as Town Highway3) Debt Management Policy
- 4) Financial Policies Review