Minutes of the Special Selectboard Meeting of Wednesday, July 23, 2008 at 6:30 PM

Members present: Gerard Chapdelaine, Chair; Alison May (by phone); Ed Childs; Suzanne Lupien; Sarah Nunan; Stephen Soares, Town Manager.

There were 5 people in the audience.

Also present: Phil Dechert, Steve Flanders, Neil Fulton, Andy Hodgdon, Chief Robinson.

Chapdelaine opened the meeting at 6:30 pm.

- 1. Approval for Purchase Order Greater than \$25,000 (Discussion/Action Item). After a brief discussion, Childs **moved** (2nd Lupien) to approve the payment of Purchase Order #7140987 in the amount of \$284,033 to Blacktop, Inc. for the 2008 Paving Program. **Motion passed.**
- 2. Request to Expend Funds from General Administration Designated Fund (Discussion/Action Item). Fulton spoke about the sound quality of a conferencing telephone versus what the Town is using now. Also discussed was the importance of the phone lines for the Emergency Operations Center. After some further discussion, May **moved** (2nd Childs) to approve the expenditure of not to exceed \$750 from the General Administration Designated Fund to install analog phone lines in the multipurpose room and conference room for the Emergency Operations Center and to purchase a conferencing telephone. **Motion passed 3 to 2** (yes Chapdelaine, Childs and May; no Lupien and Nunan).

The new General Administration Designated Fund balance will be approximately \$2,524.79.

3. Personnel/Labor Relations (Executive Session may be Required). Pursuant to Title 1 VSA § 313(a)(1)(3), Childs **moved** (2nd Lupien) to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing personnel and labor relations and to invite the Town Manager, Chief Neil Fulton and Chief Doug Robinson to join the session. **Motion passed**. The Selectboard moved into Executive Session at 6:45 pm.

At 7:50 pm the Selectboard moved into public session. May **moved** (2nd Childs) to authorize the Town Manager to sign the Fire Chief Employment Agreement as amended that extends a conditional offer of employment to Stephen Leinoff at a salary of \$68,000. **Motion passed 4 to 1** (yes – Chapdelaine, Childs, Lupien and May; no – Nunan).

Childs moved (2nd Lupien) to adjourn. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Approved by the Selectboard on August 27, 2008.

By Nancy Kramer Assistant to the Town Manager

Gerard Chapdelaine Selectboard Chair

Next Regular Meeting – August 27, 2008 at 5:00 PM

Pending Items:

- 1) Zoning Regulations Hearing (9/24/08)
- 2) Ancient Roads (9/10/08)
- 3) Class 1 Road Designation (9/24/08)
- 4) Communications Study
- 5) Department of Public Works Site Planning
- 6) Transportation Capital Program
- 7) Community Communications Outreach