Board of Selectmen 22 September 2008 Minutes

6:00 p.m. – A reception was held upstairs in the Academy Building honoring Melba LaRoche who is retiring after serving as bookkeeper for the Trustee of Trust Funds for thirty years. Melba's family and friends were present to pay their regards to Melba.

7:23 p.m. – The Selectmen's meeting was convened downstairs in the conference room. In attendance were Chairman Don Guarino, Selectmen Rachel Hatch and Betty Ann Abbott, Town Administrator Tim Warren and Clerk Lois Dionne.

After attendance everyone stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

7:25 p.m. – Public Input – No one was present for public input.

Approval of Minutes – The Selectmen reviewed the minutes of last week's meeting.

MOTION – Selectman Abbott moved to accept the minutes of September 15, 2008 as amended. Selectman Hatch seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

FYI's & Other Business

Drainage – Academy Building – Chairman Guarino stated that there had been a question concerning work that had previously been done at the Academy that might have been done during the renovation of the building. He said there had been a perimeter drain, but it wasn't at the proper elevation and didn't hold up. Don said he and Mr. Dupont's son (DuPont Construction is doing the perimeter drain) had looked at the job, and agreed to leave the old drain in place, and put the new perimeter drain outside the old work. Don said the ditch is about half excavated, and everything is looking good.

Planning Administrator's Hours – Tim informed the Selectmen that Lynne would like to adjust the hours that were set for her last week. She asked if she could work from 10:30a.m. to 4:30 p.m. rather than the hours the Selectmen had suggested last week of 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The Selectmen agreed to Lynne's request. She will start her new hours Monday, September 29th.

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Speed Bumps – Lakeshore Drive – Selectman Abbott noted that last week Chairman Guarino said the Selectmen would address the issue of the speed bumps on Lakeshore Drive. Don said he had spoken with Tony at the highway garage. He said it was explained that the highway department only installed two of the three sections of the speed bump, and people were taking advantage of the open space and were able to get around the bump by running only one tire over the speed bump. Don said they had discussed the bumps, and that it is late in the year to be doing anything with them, as the bumps would be being removed shortly for the winter.

Old Quaker Cemetery – Selectman Hatch stated that at the Trustees' meeting, Paul Levesque had approached her about, what he had referred to, as the Old Quaker Cemetery off Route 140. He said the road to the cemetery is washed out. She asked if Tim would speak with Paul Perkins about the road. Tim said Candace Daigle had spoken with him about the cemetery because the trustees of that cemetery have disbanded and would like the cemetery trustees to take over the maintenance of that cemetery. He said it would have to go on a warrant article at town meeting to vote to have the town take over the care of the cemetery.

Loggers who log with horses – Tim said Nanci Mitchell had forwarded a list of about fifteen loggers who use horses to log to the forester so he can contact them about logging the town forest. There was discussion that the market should determine when the logging would be done.

Proposed Class VI-Road Policy – Tim said the Selectmen should all have a copy of the proposed Class VI-Road Policy in their box for their review, and then call Ella Jo Regan or Lynne Brunelle would have to be called to schedule a meeting to discuss the proposed policy.

Paid Time Off – Tim informed the Selectmen that next week they would be meeting with department heads to discuss paid time off.

Junk Vehicles – Tim said he had mentioned to Bob Flanders about the vehicles on the Munsey property. He said Bob had told him that the law lecture that Bob had attended last week recommends that the Boards don't go out looking for things like that; they suggest Boards have signed complaints before addressing an issue. Selectman Hatch said the Board had not gone out looking for it; it had been brought to their attention, but they didn't have a signed complaint. Tim said Bob had said he would check into the matter. Tim said that a written complaint is the way the department generally handles complaints of this nature.

GAT – Tim said it is time to set the GAT (Guaranteed Annual Tonnage) for Penacook for next year.

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There was a brief discussion on the GAT, and this year's tonnage so far compared with last year's tonnage. Tim was asked to research, month by month, the tonnage that was sent to Penacook in 2006, 2007 and 2008 so they can make a decision for the GAT for next year. The GAT has to be set by October 14th.

Glass Aggregate – Tim said he had received a letter from NRRA (Northeast Resource Recovery Assoc.) notifying us that the cost of processed glass aggregate would go up to \$20 per ton to get rid of next year. He said we are fortunate because we use our glass aggregate in the roadbeds, so aren't affected by this cost.

Cupola – Tim said we had sent out eight requests to bid for the removal of the cupola, and had only received two bids. The bids were as follows:

Fifield Building Restoration & Relocation	\$9,100
Four Corners	7,900

There was a question about the wording of a section of the bid from Four Corners.

After discussion, it was decided that Chairman Guarino would contact Justin Caldon of Four Corners to clarify his bid to be sure everything was included in the price on the bid. If the bid was what it seemed, it was agreed that Don would call Tim who would call the other two selectmen, and if they all felt comfortable with it, the bid would be awarded to Four Corners.

Chairman Guarino contacted Four Corners, and the bid included everything set out in the specs for the amount listed on their bid. The bid was awarded to Four Corners, and the work was started on Tuesday.

Skateboard Ramps – Crystal Lake Park – It had been brought to the Selectmen's attention that the skateboard ramps at Crystal Lake Park had been vandalized and spraypainted with graffiti. It had been said there were boards with nails sticking up, and felt it was a dangerous situation.

Chairman Guarino stated that he had gone to the park, and had put the boards with the nails under the ramps. He said the ramps had been destroyed. Don said he had also spoken with Gary Lines, Park Manager. Don said Gary had already spoken with Paul Perkins and had made arrangements for Paul to take the ramps to the dump. Tim said he had spoken with Chief O'Brien, and the Chief was going to go back to the park, and take pictures of the ramps.

Selectman Abbott said she had asked when we are going to get a DARE officer in the school because she thinks they are a link to the young people in town. She said there is an officer set for training, and felt they would be set in about a month.

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Chairman Guarino wanted it known that the Selectmen hadn't asked that the ramps be removed, but Gary Lines had made the decision, and he was going to make later arrangements for something else. Selectmen Abbott felt it would be a good idea for Gary to put an article in the paper informing people that vandals had destroyed the ramps. Selectman Hatch felt the kids would have to be the ones to stop the vandalism. They need to be able to apply peer pressure, and go against the vandals because whoever did this is ruining it for all their peers. Rachel said she would call Gary Lines and speak with him about the situation.

8:13 p.m. – MOTION – Selectman Hatch moved to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Lois Dionne Recording Clerk