## Board of Selectmen 10 November 2008 Minutes

**6:00 p.m.** - Chairman Don Guarino called the meeting to order. Present were Chairman Guarino, Selectmen Rachel Hatch and Betty Ann Abbott, Town Administrator Tim Warren and Clerk Lois Dionne. Also in attendance were Fire Chief K G Lockwood, and recycling center employee Justin Leavitt.

After attendance, everyone stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Lois Kapplain joined the meeting.

### Fire Dept. Update

LRMFA (Lakes Region Mutual Fire Aid) - Chief Lockwood stated that the funding for the Communication Center for dispatching usually comes from the County Budget, not the Town. He said this year Belknap County had decided they didn't want to pay for it so a letter, signed by the fire chiefs from the eleven communities of Belknap County, had been sent to the Belknap County Board of Commissioners expressing concern of their (County Commissioners) decision (yet to be formalized) to remove the appropriation to LRMFA which historically has been used to meet the membership assessments for the municipalities located in Belknap County from the county budget.

The letter asked the Commissioners to reconsider the decision because the system has worked well for the municipalities, the county and LRMFA, and is being discarded with no apparent countervailing benefit being instituted. The current system does not create a significant expense for the county because the appropriation is offset by income from the eleven communities; the only direct costs are the relatively small administration costs. The letter also requested that if it were decided to implement the idea, the commissioners would not change the current system for the 2009-2010 budget, which is the upcoming fiscal year. By delaying the change for one or two budget cycles, it would provide adequate time for LRMFA and the towns of Belknap County to prepare for this change. They also requested that the Commission get comments from Select Boards of the ten towns, and the mayor and council of the City of Laconia.

The Town received a letter from Belknap County Commissioners, which Chief Lockwood felt was in direct response to the letter sent from the fire chiefs. The letter

stated that the current, not final, version of their 2009 budget would show a decrease of 5.8% from their 2008 budget. The letter states that the County is only funding "outside agencies" which specifically relate to the nursing home, Sheriff's Department, Correctional Facility, County Attorney's Office, Registry of Deeds and services for Belknap County senior citizens. The letter further stated that it is the Commissioners' intention to return responsibility for the funding for Lakes Region Mutual Fire Aid (LRMFA) directly to the municipality. To allow for the funding transition, they said they had included half of the requested funding in the county budget and expect each of the Towns to appropriate the other half of their apportionment.

Chief Lockwood said Gilmanton's portion to fund would be \$13,231.05. Chief Lockwood felt he would like to put that in a warrant article, rather than in his budget. Chief Lockwood said he hadn't had much time to research the situation, as it had all transpired since last week. He said he had talked with Representative Dave Russell on Election Day, and had spoken with Steve Nadeau Chairman of the Belknap County Delegation, and they were both pushing for the 50% for this year so we didn't have to absorb the full cost (\$26,462.10). He said neither Mr. Russell nor Mr. Nadeau had previously known about this, and there hadn't been a vote on it. Chief Lockwood said he had contacted Capillary Mutual Aid of Concord, and asked for a price from them to use their service, but didn't feel it could compare with what we have.

Selectman Abbott asked for an explanation of what the Mutual Aid is. Chief Lockwood explained that when a 911 call is placed, it goes into the communication center in Laconia, who then alerts the local municipalities. Selectman Abbott was surprised that our share for that service would be \$26,000 for just the communication component. Chief Lockwood had a chart, which he reviewed with the Selectmen, explaining how the costs were calculated. He further explained that this figure covers having two people work at the center 24 hours a day, seven days a week to answer calls, plus the antenna sites on the mountain tops, as well as the building and maintenance (most of the cost is salaries).

There was considerable discussion about what the Commission is planning to do, and whether they could legally implement such a measure without it having been voted upon. Chief Lockwood said the Commission was saying that they are doing what they are required to do by statute, and nothing more, but there is a statute that specifically allows them to fund Regional Mutual Aid Systems, if all the towns in that county are members of that system. Chief Lockwood was told that it would not be a good idea to put this expense as a warrant article, but should be, somehow, incorporated into his budget. Chairman Guarino said he would contact Representative Russell to try to get some answers and see if this is a "done deal".

**Thank You** – Selectman Abbott said they had a letter from Donna Powell expressing her thanks for the way the fire department responded a 911 call she had placed in August. She felt Gilmanton is fortunate to have such wonderful volunteer EMTs.

**Thank You** – The fire Department also received a letter of thanks from the Alton/Fire Rescue Department for the coverage from the Gilmanton fire department, which allowed them to attend the wake and church services of one of their retired members.

Electric Bill – Chief Lockwood said he has been looking at the electric bills for the Iron Works station since he has become chief; he felt they were very high. Chief Lockwood noted that the department had peaked from an average of between 3500 – 4000 kilowatts per month down to around 3000 kilowatts per month. He said November, December and January had spiked last year. In an effort to conserve energy, he said the department had removed seventy-eight 40-watt bulbs, and twenty-four 60-watt bulbs, and had converted the rest of the incandescent bulbs to fluorescent bulbs. He said the way it was done it hadn't affected the lighting enough to bother. Chief Lockwood said there were about 240 bulbs in the station, and they had removed about half of them; if it becomes necessary, he will replace some of them.

## 6:30 p.m. - Enter into Non-Public Session as per RSA 91-A:3, II(a)

Selectman Abbott moved to Enter into Non-Public Session as per RSA 91-A:3, II(a) - Dismissal, promotion or setting compensation for public employees or the investigation of any charges against him, unless the employee affected has a right to a meeting or requests that the meeting be open, in which case the request shall be granted. Selectman Hatch seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

The Selectmen discussed a fire department personnel issue with Chief Lockwood.

### 6:37 p.m. – Out of Non-Public Session

Selectman Hatch moved to come Out of Non-Public Session. Selectman Abbott seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Chief Lockwood gave the Selectmen a copy of the Laws that empower him to do certain things as chief. He said when he was hired, the Selectmen had never given him the authority to enforce these things. He asked the Selectmen to review the laws which, among other things, authorizes him or his delegate to inspect buildings, structures, enforce local or State laws, and the authority to close buildings for safety reasons, such as had been done with the Iron Works Market, and removal of combustibles from buildings. He asked the Board to give him the authority to do these things. The Selectmen felt when they had hired him, they had given him the authority to do these things. Chief Lockwood said he was told that the Board of Selectmen needed to ratify it. Selectman Hatch said when Chief Lockwood was hired, they gave him this authority, and so he doesn't need their blessing.

Selectman Abbott asked for an update on the Iron Works Market closing. Chief Lockwood said before he closed the market, he had called Bob Flanders, Code Enforcement Officer, with whom he works on many issues. He said he and Bob had consulted with the State Fire Marshal, the State Board of Health, and the State Board of

Electrical control. Chief said what prompted the closure of the market was the immediate threat of carbon monoxide in the building that wasn't being addressed; this wasn't something that was decided lightly. The problem was with the venting of the furnace. Chief said he had worked with the owner all weekend, so he would be able to reopen. He added that the owner had done everything he had been asked to do; everything was inspected and certified, all hazardous items were removed from site, signs are all down and the store was reopened.

There was discussion whether the Chief could just go into any old building looking for safety issues. Chief Lockwood said he doesn't go looking for issues; many people come to him with questions, and he always tries to work with them.

**Approval of Minutes** - The Selectmen reviewed the minutes of their last meeting.

MOTION – Selectman Abbott moved to accept the minutes of 27 October 2008 as amended. Selectman Hatch seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

### Selectmen's Site Walk – Saturday, November 1, 2008

Selectman Hatch reported that on Saturday, November 1, 2008 the Selectmen had met to plant the elm trees in the Iron Works. Present were Chairman Don Guarino, Selectmen Rachel Hatch and Betty Ann Abbott, along with Israel Willard who supplied them with coffee, muffins and cinnamon rolls. Chairman Guarino stated that they had also had assistance from Kenny Witham, who helped them set the trees. Selectman Abbott added that Mr. Witham had also informed them that the big tree that they light at Christmas time is 2/3 dead; it can't be saved.

Selectman Abbott said Israel Willard had asked them if they would approve having him put up a Christmas tree outside the Academy Building this year. The Selectmen gave Mr. Willard permission to put up a tree.

Chairman Guarino stated that, about 9:43 p.m., after planting the trees, they had gone to the Osbornes on Seibel Road to look at the trees they had asked the Selectmen permission to cut. They looked at the trees, and Chairman Guarino said he went all the way in to look at the trees, and a couple of the trees would never become "saw logs". He said they (The Selectmen) gave permission for the Osbornes to cut the four trees. Selectman Hatch stated they had also noted that they are not setting a precedent by allowing the Osbornes to cut the trees, and any future request to cut trees in town forests would have to be considered on a "case by case" basis.

<u>Tax Rate</u> - Selectman Abbott noted that the tax rate has been set. Tim said the rate is 20.98 per thousand. The rate break down is:

Town - \$4.56, School - \$12.52, State School - \$2.49, County - \$1.41 for a total of \$20.98, an increase of .45 cents per thousand.

<u>Landfill Mowing Bids</u> – Tim reported that the Town had received two bids for the mowing of the cap at the landfill. They were as follows:

Tops In Crops \$ 700.00 Four Corners 1,250.00

<u>MOTION</u> – Selectman Abbott moved to award the contract to mow the landfill cap to Tops in Crops. Selectman Hatch seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

<u>Meeting – Year-Round Library</u> – Tim informed the Selectmen that he had received a call from Liz Bedard, representing the Year-Round Library Committee, and she would like to meet with the Selectmen. He said she would like to have them meet at the library, so the Selectmen could see what has been accomplished, and to update the Selectmen on the status of the library. Selectman Hatch asked when the committee wanted the meeting. There was a brief discussion as to whether they should meet at the library. A tentative date has been set for Saturday, November 15<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. Tim will check to see if that is agreeable with the library committee.

7:00 p.m. – Public Input – No one was present for public input.

## **FYI's & Other Business**

**Holiday Turkeys** – Tim asked if the Selectmen were planning to give turkeys to the employees for Thanksgiving this year. There was a brief discussion to see if there would be money in the budget to cover it, and it was agreed Tim would check into getting the turkeys.

**Tire Trailer** – Tim informed the Selectmen that they had gotten rid of the tires from the recycling center, but the trailer in which they store the tires is not road worthy, so they had to get another trailer. Justin said they were able to get just over half of the tires out, because the other trailer was smaller than the one they had to store them. He said this opened space to store the TVs until they are shipped. Selectman Abbott asked how we had our electronic equipment recycled. She said Nate Abbott was getting some equipment recycled for some of his customers through CRTR.ORG for free. She asked Tim to check it out.

**Tonnage** – Tim reported that the tonnage sent from the recycling center to Penacook for October was 124.4 tons, up from 115.33 tons in October last year. Year-to-date, we have sent just under 1300 tons.

Compactor Overflow – Justin Leavitt said they had almost overfilled the compactor last Sunday. There was discussion about the maintenance of the compactor, and getting extra trailers on holiday weekends. Justin felt the compactor should be looked at because he wasn't sure the company had done the maintenance when they had said they did.

Selectman Abbott asked if the safety issues had been taken care of. Justin replied that someone had come to look at the baler, and had ordered a part for it. When the part came in, it was the wrong part, so they are now waiting for the right part.

**Tipping Fee** – Tim said that Concord Regional Solid Waste had set their proposed tipping fee for next year at \$51,25 per ton; it is currently \$42.55.

**Wood Recycling** – Justin said there is a new program for wood recycling. MR Wood recycles junk trees and turns it into bark mulch. He felt rather than pay for the ashes from the burn pile to be taken out, this might be an alternative. Justin said the State requires them to dig out the ashes and ship them out, at a fee, every time they burn,

Justin said MR Wood would come to the site with a large grinder and grind it up, but they wouldn't take building materials. He said they offer two options – They grind and take the mulch, or grind and leave the mulch for people to use.

There was a brief discussion, and Chairman Guarino will call the company to get more details.

Kurt Rague - Crystal Lake Farms - Tim informed the Board that about a month ago we had sent a letter to Kurt Rague regarding money for engineering fees for the road Crystal Lake Farms is building off Crystal Lake Road, and the last invoice from Hoyle Tanner. Tim said Kurt had over expended the funds, and we needed him to forward a check for the difference, which he did. Tim said Kurt has, basically, said that since cold weather is here, all work has halted so he doesn't want to give us another \$5,000 now. Tim said Lynne had spoken with Hoyle Tanner today, and was told that the review of the project so far is complete, but they have many issues that need addressing, such as drainage calculations not figuring out right, updates of cross sections and erosion control that needs to be watched. Tim said this means there are still expenses there that we don't have money to cover. He felt we need to contact Kurt and tell him that we expect some funds forwarded to us to cover those costs. Tim said originally Kurt was supposed to give us \$10,000 to put in the account, but the prior board had given him permission to give us \$5,000. Chairman Guarino stated that although the site work has stopped, the planning process has not stopped because the Planning Board is still working with him to bring this to a final approval.

**Recycling** – Tim had a letter from Citizens for Source Recycling of Warner, NH concerned about the future of recycling in their town. Last year their transfer station saved them \$63,000 in cost avoidance from sale of recyclables. They are concerned because the transfer station is being dismantled and changed; their new department head went to a meeting on Single-Stream Recycling. Their 2009 budget shows a 900% increase in transportation costs and 500% increase in tipping fees due to the way the facility is being managed and restructured. They feel single-stream recycling is not as profitable as it appears.

There will be an informal meeting at the Community Meeting Room, Sugar River Savings Bank in Warner on Wednesday, November 19th at 6:00 p.m. to discuss single-stream vs. Source Recycling and Zero waste. This information will be passed on the to Recycling Committee.

Ralph Goodwin – Dumping Schedule – The Selectmen had asked to meet with Ralph Goodwin regarding establishing times for him to use the recycling facility. Currently Ralph has keys and goes in when the facility is closed. The Selectmen told Ralph that, due to liability and safety issues, no one could be at the facility alone. The employees are not allowed to be there alone, so they asked Ralph to come on Tuesdays when the employees are generally working there, and other than that could keep the regular hours he brings in his trash. There was a brief discussion, and Ralph asked about when he might have to make an emergency run, if his truck was overfull, and he can't leave the trash in it. He was told that he could call one of the employees, and arrange for someone to meet him there. An agreement was reached on a schedule for Ralph to dispose of his trash, and he turned his keys to the facility into Tim Warren.

NRRA Consolidation Program Informational Meeting – Tim informed the Selectmen that NRRA would be holding a Consolidation Program Information Meeting on Wednesday, November 19<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. The meeting will cover consolidation of materials from multiple facilities at one central location, reduce storage requirements by picking up materials on a regular basis, increasing additional processing space, and increase handling and processing efficiency to reduce transportation costs.

The information will be passed on to the Recycling Committee Chairman.

**Genesis** – Tim said he had received a copy of the annual report and notice of the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Community Forum on Mental Health from Genesis Behavioral Health. The Meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 19<sup>th</sup> from 4:30 to 6:30 at the Healthlink Building in Laconia. The meeting is open to all residents of Belknap and southern Grafton Counties.

**Mitchell Group** – Tim said we had an update from the Mitchell Group (Formerly Mitchell & Bates) informing us of a new associate they have added to their firm. His name is Jeff Belanger, and he has a background in land use and environmental issues.

**Rollins Pond Dam** – Tim informed the Selectmen that we had received another bill from DES for the Rollins Pond Dam. The ownership of the dam has been in dispute for ten years; DES claims we own the dam, and we don't feel we do. Tim said the State is having a gentleman doing research into who owns the dam.

**Outside Agencies** – Tim stated that we had a request from a new outside agency this year, Belknap County CoRe Coalition, which is community response to alcohol, tobacco and other drugs used among youths in Belknap County. Selectman Hatch felt we sponsor

other agencies that cover these issues. Most of the members of the agency are from Meredith, and it was felt it is really a Meredith based agency. Tim will give the information to the budget committee.

Gift of Land - Tim said the Conservation Commission has been approached by Peter & Faith Smith who own property (.75 acres) in Valley Shores, and would like to donate the property to the Town. He said the Conservation Commission has gone out and looked at the property; it is very wet and abuts other conservation land. Tim said the problem is that there is no clear title to the property. He said the Smiths had consulted an attorney, John O'Shea, who drew up a deed for them. Tim said that as far back as they can see the Smiths own the property, but there is no recorded deed to them. Selectman Hatch asked if there were no deed, how the Smiths could own the property. Tim replied that it goes back to being the same premises, the subject of a contract for deed between Valley Shores Family Club and Peter & Faith Smith. The Smiths had made payments according to the terms of the agreement, but due to error, Valley Shores failed to convey the premises to the Smiths, but instead conveyed the deed to P & L Investments. According to Belknap County Records, P & L investments never conveyed the deed to anyone else, and P & L Investments was dissolved on October 3, 1980.

There was a brief discussion, and Tim informed the Selectmen that Conservation Chair Nanci Mitchell would be coming in to meet with the Selectmen in a couple of weeks, so felt the Board could discuss it with her at that time.

**Morrill Case Update** – Tim informed the Board that he had received a call from Laura Specter of the Mitchell Group with an update on the Morrill case. He said there is a mediation hearing set for January 23, 2009 and a trial date of September 23, 2009, and Town Counsel is also submitting a motion to dismiss.

**Striping – Iron Works** – Don said he hasn't seen Eric Stockwell to tell him to go ahead with the striping, but will do it this week. Justin Leavitt asked if they could also paint a stop sign on the driveway at the recycling center at the top of the hill going down to the metal pile.

**Efficiency Study** – Tim presented the Selectmen with an authorization letter from the Jordan Institute to do the initial efficiency study of the town buildings for their signature. Chairman Guarino signed the authorization.

**Employee Increases** - Tim asked if the employees would be getting Step Raises, COLA increases, or a flat across the board increase next year.

After a brief discussion during which the Selectmen expressed concern for the economy, and the fact that there are so many more foreclosures this year than previously, the Selectmen agreed to a 4% across the board increase. Selectman Abbott stressed that things are tough for everyone. She said that in 2007 there had been approximately 21

foreclosure notices received, and between five and seven went to foreclosure. To date we have 27 notices of which 13 have gone to forclosure.

**Lighting Options – Academy Building (Upstairs)** – Don said he had spoken with a man about the lighting upstairs in the Academy Building. He said the man was supposed to call a manufacturer and get a sconce that shot light up to reflect light from the ceiling. Rachel said she had received complaints about the lighting on Election Day.

Don said he had asked the gentleman he spoke with to bring a sample, and to bring a light meter so they could see the difference, and also get an estimate. He said he would call the gentleman again this week. He asked how long he had to get the figures. Tim said the Selectmen go to the Budget Committee on December 11<sup>th</sup>.

**Election Day** – Selectman Hatch commended Town Clerk Debra Cornett for the excellent job she had done in planning out Election Day. She felt Deb had done an outstanding job setting up the flow of traffic inside and outside the building.

**Class VI Road Committee** – Selectman Abbott asked to have an hour work session on the November 17<sup>th</sup> Selectmen's agenda to discuss the draft Class VI Road Policy.

Letter – Morrill & Bolduc – Class VI Road Committee – A letter from Mary Ann Morrill and Heather Bolduc was read into the minutes (copy attached). Mrs. Morrill and Ms. Bolduc stated they were officially disassociating themselves from the Class VI Road Committee, and asked to have their names removed from any reports filed from this committee. The main reason being that they felt it was not a diversified committee, but a mini committee of the Conservation Board. Mrs. Morrill also felt the Chairman of the Class VI Road Committee used her position to personally undermine the issue in front of the Selectmen pertaining to property she (Mrs. Morrill) owns on Donovan Road.

### 8:33 p.m. - Enter into Non-Public Session as per RSA 91-A:3, II(a)

Selectman Abbott moved to Enter into Non-Public Session as per RSA 91-A:3, II(a) - Dismissal, promotion or setting compensation for public employees or the investigation of any charges against him, unless the employee affected has a right to a meeting or requests that the meeting be open, in which case the request shall be granted. Selectman Hatch seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

The Selectmen reviewed and signed a personnel evaluation.

### 8:40 p.m. – Out of Non-Public Session

Selectman Abbott moved to come Out of Non-Public Session. Selectman Hatch seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

## 8:41 p.m. - Enter into Non-Public Session as per RSA 91-A:3, II(a)

Selectman Hatch moved to Enter into Non-Public Session as per RSA 91-A:3, II(a) - Dismissal, promotion or setting compensation for public employees or the investigation of any charges against him, unless the employee affected has a right to a meeting or requests that the meeting be open, in which case the request shall be granted. Selectman Abbott seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

The Selectmen discussed a Selectmen's Office personnel issue.

### 8:47 p.m. – Out of Non-Public Session

Selectman Hatch moved to come Out of Non-Public Session. Selectman Abbott seconded. Motion passed.

## 8:48 p.m. - Enter into Non-Public Session as per RSA 91-A:3, II(a)

Selectman Hatch moved to Enter into Non-Public Session as per RSA 91-A:3, II(a) - Dismissal, promotion or setting compensation for public employees or the investigation of any charges against him, unless the employee affected has a right to a meeting or requests that the meeting be open, in which case the request shall be granted. Selectman Abbott seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

The Selectman discussed a Recycling Facility personnel issue.

### 9:15 p.m. – Out of Non-Public Session

Selectman Hatch moved to come Out of Non-Public Session. Selectman Abbott seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

### 9:16 p.m. Enter into Non-Public Session as per RSA 91-A:3, II(a)

Selectman Hatch moved to Enter into Non-Public Session as per RSA 91-A:3, II(a) - Dismissal, promotion or setting compensation for public employees or the investigation of any charges against him, unless the employee affected has a right to a meeting or requests that the meeting be open, in which case the request shall be granted. Selectman Abbott seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

The Selectmen discussed a Selectmen's Office personnel issue.

#### 9:18 p.m. – Out of Non-Public Session

Selectman Hatch moved to come Out of Non-Public Session. Selectman Abbott seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

### 9:19 p.m. - Enter into Non-Public Session as per RSA 91-A:3, II(a)

Selectman Hatch moved to Enter into Non-Public Session as per RSA 91-A:3, II(a) – Dismissal, promotion or setting compensation for public employees or the investigation of any charges against him, unless the employee affected has a right to a meeting or requests that the meeting be open, in which case the request shall be granted. Selectman Abbott seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

The Selectmen discussed a police department personnel issue.

## 9:28 p.m. – Out of Non-Public Session

Selectman Hatch moved to come Out of Non-Public Session. Selectman Abbott seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

### 9:29 p.m. - Enter into Non-Public Session as per RSA 91-A:3, II(a)

Selectman Hatch moved to Enter into Non-Public Session as per RSA 91-A:3, II(a) - Dismissal, promotion or setting compensation for public employees or the investigation of any charges against him, unless the employee affected has a right to a meeting or requests that the meeting be open, in which case the request shall be granted. Selectman Abbott seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

The Selectmen discussed a recycling center personnel issue.

## 9:31 p.m. – Out of Non-Public Session

Selectman Hatch moved to come Out of Non-Public Session. Selectman Abbott seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

### 9:32 p.m. - Break

### 9:35 p.m. - Enter into Non-Public Session as per RSA 91-A:3, II(a)

Selectman Abbott moved to Enter into Non-Public Session as per RSA 91-A:3, II(a) - Dismissal, promotion or setting compensation for public employees or the investigation of any charges against him, unless the employee affected has a right to a meeting or requests that the meeting be open, in which case the request shall be granted. Selectman Hatch seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

The Selectmen discussed a Selectmen's Office personnel issue.

#### 9:56 p.m. – Out of Non-Public Session

Selectman Hatch moved to come Out of Non-Public Session. Selectman Abbott seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

### 9:57 p.m. - Enter into Non-Public Session as per RSA 91-A:3, II(c)

Selectman Hatch moved to Enter into Non-Public Session as per RSA 91-A:3, II(c) - Matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person unless such person requests an open meeting; however, this cannot be used to protect a person who is a member of your Board, Committee or Subcommittee. Selectman Abbott seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

The Selectmen discussed a zoning issue.

## <u>10-02 p.m. – Out of Non-Public Session</u>

Selectman Hatch moved to come Out of Non-Public Session. Selectman Abbott seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

**Year –Round Library – Operating Funds -** Selectman Abbott said she had been speaking with John Dickey, and he had told her he was going to bring forward a warrant for operating funds for the year. Selectman Abbott said she had argued with Mr. Dickey that the Library had made a pledge to not come to the Town for operating expenses. She said Mr. Dickey had said that hadn't happened. Selectman Abbott said that there are a lot of people who are under the assumption that this pledge had been made, and so had given freely to support the building of the library. There was a very brief discussion of the issue.

## 10:07 p.m. – Enter into Non-Public Session as per RSA 91-A:3, II(c)

Selectman Abbott moved to Enter into Non-Public Session as per RSA 91-A:3, II(c) - Matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person unless such person requests an open meeting; however, this cannot be used to protect a person who is a member of your Board, Committee or Subcommittee.

The Selectmen discussed an issue that might affect someone's reputation.

### 10:14 p.m. – Out of Non-Public Session

Selectman Hatch moved to come Out of Non-Public Session. Selectman Abbott seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

### 10:15 p.m. - Enter into Non-Public Session as per RSA 91-A:3, II(a)

Selectman Abbott moved to Enter into Non-Public Session as per RSA 91-A:3, II(a)-Dismissal, promotion or setting compensation for public employees or the investigation of any charges against him, unless the employee affected has a right to a meeting or requests that the meeting be open, in which case the request shall be granted. Selectman Hatch seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

The Selectmen discussed a Selectmen's Office personnel issue.

### 10:29 p.m. – Out of Non-Public Session

Selectman Hatch moved to come Out of Non-Public Session. Selectman Abbott seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

MOTION – Selectman Abbott moved to seal the minutes of the last non-public session. Selectman Hatch seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

10:30 p.m. – MOTION – Selectman Hatch moved to adjourn the meeting. Selectman Abbott seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Lois Dionne Recording Clerk