

**TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN**

Minutes February 2, 2010 Meeting & Budget Hearing

Present: Francis Muzzey, Steve Davis, Randy Morrison, and Janet Woolner

Also Present: Chief Kevin Kay, Bobby Cass, Catherine Stover, Ellie Murray, Kenyon Karl, Randy Comsteller, Larry King, Donna King, Palmer Koelb, Carol Friedrich, Steve Welch, Allan Crossman, Nancy Masterson, Donna Herlihy, and Tim Minear

Francis moved to open the meeting at 6:00 pm, seconded by Steve and approved.

The Town Clerk/Tax Collector advised the Board of Selectmen that she is switching deed researchers to Total Notice LLC. Selectmen agreed to the change and Steve made the motion, seconded by Randy and approved for Francis to sign the agreement. Donna King advised she received an email complementing the Road Agent for his work on Cape Moonshine Road.

Francis moved to approve the minutes of January 26, 2010 and non-public minutes (x3), seconded by Randy and approved. Selectmen signed a letter to Hancock and signed requisitions for the Road Agent.

Chief Kay advised he is working on several cases and will be issuing arrest warrants tomorrow. Carol Friedrich asked if there are patrols out on Sunday afternoons and the Police Chief confirmed there is coverage on Sundays.

Steve moved to end the bridge project now. There was no second. The Selectmen discussed the cash flow situation for the next phase of the bridge project. Steve Welch asked what kind of warranty comes with the painting of the bridge.

Allan Crossman discussed the separation of trash at the Transfer Station. He stated that items are not being separated properly and garbage is getting into the recyclables and that he and the attendant in Rumney spend extra time sorting. The Administrative Assistant said she had received a call from the Rumney Transfer Station stating the same information. The Selectmen said they were in hopes of getting a helper for Eugene this summer and that his may eliminate some of the problems.

Francis moved to go into the Budget Hearing at 7:06 pm, seconded by Steve and approved. Francis Muzzey went through the budget and the board made a few changes.

Randy moved to omit the warrant article for the \$5,000 for tree trim/mowing. This was seconded by Steve and approved. The Board also agreed to change the wording of the warrant article for Atwell Hill Road to read: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$168,235 for Atwell Hill Road reconstruction for the ensuing year; of this total \$65,000 is to come from the highway paving capital reserve fund and the remaining \$103,235 to come from general 2010 taxation.

They also agreed to change the backhoe warrant to read: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$85,300 to purchase a new backhoe for the ensuing year; of this total \$81,000 is to come from highway equipment capital reserve fund and the remaining \$4,300 to come from general 2010 taxation.

Steve moved to close the Budget Hearing at 8:05 pm, seconded by Randy and approved.

Francis moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:06 pm, seconded by Randy and approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet E. Woolner
Minutes accepted by _____, _____, and _____