Present: Palmer Koelb, John Millican, Randy Morrison and Debbie Koelb
Also Present: Bobby and Stacy Cass, Brian Clark, Lynn Clogston, Paula Davis, Acting Chief Kevin Kay, Ellie Murray, Francis Muzzey, and Vickie Swan.

Palmer moved to open the meeting at 6:01 pm. This was seconded by John and approved.

Bobby was informed of the paperwork we need for Cale Weeks. Bobby said we will have the pertinent paperwork on Friday. Bobby was also advised that Cale MUST stop for lunch. Bobby asked to use the town’s backhoe to plow behind Warren Davis’ house to get a generator back there. The Selectmen gave their okay.

The bridge railing on Ellsworth Hill Road will be repaired. Palmer will be meeting with a man who deals in concrete engineering for repairs on the Evans Bridge.

John moved to go into non-public session at 6:08 pm per RSA 91-A:3 II (c) to discuss matters, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of a person, and also to discuss the hiring of a public employee. This was seconded by Palmer and approved. John moved to come out of non-public session at 6:21 pm. This was seconded by Randy and approved. No decisions were made.

Paula Davis, as Supervisor of the Checklist, is requesting a key to the town office. She will be given a key to use for the Meeting Room. John will get a printer in there for Paula.

Intents to Cut signed for John King, Jr (M/L#05-04-08); Skraelings Realty Trust (M/L#08-07-01); John Thompson (M/L# 08-02-08); and Joshua Leiter (M/L# 02-01-01). Report of Timber Cut was signed for Lamott-Kenneson American Legion (M/L# 13-04-08).

Chief Kevin Kay stated he is looking for part-time help. There are no other police issues at this time. Palmer signed Kevin’s NH Police Standards & Training Council form for Kevin.

Francis brought in three ideas of a possible cover for the 2007 Town Report. The Selectmen went with the photograph of Mr. Plummer & Mr. Turner.

Brian Clark, Lynn Clogston, and Vicky Swan came in to ask for money for the Warren-Wentworth Ambulance Service, up about $2,000 over last year. They will be getting a full-time paramedic as well. We will get the Ambulance Service a copy of the 9-1-1 maps for Wentworth.

The fire hydrant on the Warren-Wentworth line cannot be used by any Warren fire truck and by only one Wentworth fire truck because the draft is too high. The hydrant has cost each town $6,000. The Selectmen will send a letter to the Warren Selectmen outlining this issue. Palmer will write the letter.

Ellie stated that the Flood Plain Ordinance was approved in 2007. Wentworth still needs to let NH Office of Energy & Planning if changes are needed. Palmer will talk to Linda about the vote at the Town Meeting in 2007.

Cottage Hospital’s request for money was denied.

The perambulation was done on the Wentworth-Orford line. They are now using GPS data.

The Budget Hearing has been scheduled for Tuesday, February 5, 2008 at 6:00.

Randy moved to approve the Minutes and Non-Public Minutes for December 18, 2007. This was seconded by John and approved.
Randy moved to go into non-public session at 7:41 pm per RSA 91-A:3, II (c) to discuss matters which if discussed in public would likely affect adversely the reputation of a person. This was seconded by John and approved by Palmer. John moved to come out of non-public session at 7:54 pm. This was seconded by Randy and approved by Palmer. The decision was made to give assistance (from an anonymous donor) to a town resident.

Palmer moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:06 pm. This was seconded by Randy and approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah E. Koelb
Minutes accepted by__________, __________, __________.
TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN

Minutes
January 15, 2008 Meeting

Present: Palmer Koelb, John Millican, Randy Morrison and Janet Woolner
Also Present: Acting Chief Kevin Kay, Ellie Murray, Chip Strata, and Carol Freidrich

Palmer moved to open the meeting at 6:03 pm. This was seconded by John and approved.

Acting Chief Kevin Kay updated Selectman on Police matters. Selectmen recommended the battery be replaced in the cruiser.

Palmer moved to officially accept the resignation of Patrolman Donald Jones dated 12/30/07. This was seconded by John and approved.

Selectmen agreed to put a resolution, from Carol Freidrich, on the Warrant addressing reducing taxes and spending.

John moved to approve the Minutes and Non-Public Minutes for January 3, 2008. This was seconded by Palmer and approved by Randy.

Palmer said he met with Holden Transportation Engineering and they can do an Engineering study on the Evans Bridge and Selectmen will request a quote on the study and design.

Carol Freidrich said DOT will look at the W/W fire hydrant, the East Side Rd entrance (near the Town Hall) onto Rte 25, as well as the walking path; and also the other end of East Side Rd near the Warren Town line.

Selectmen accepted the awarded base station radio from the State of New Hampshire for the Emergency Operations Center.

Selectmen signed Intent to Cut for Leiter, Swainbrook Campground M/L 02-01-01, and completed a form for Plodzik & Sanderson. Selectmen requested Ellie Murray provide a copy of the policy for the Trust Funds. Selectmen approved the septic design for Simeone M/L 02-02-02.

John moved to go into non-public session at 8:25 pm per RSA 91-A:3, II (c) to discuss matters which if discussed in public would likely affect adversely the reputation of a person. This was seconded by Randy and approved by Palmer. John moved to come out of non-public session at 8:37 pm. This was seconded by Randy and approved by Palmer. Selectmen discussed a request for assistance.

John moved to go into non-public session at 8:38 pm per RSA 91-A:3,II (c) to discuss matters which if discussed in public would likely affect adversely the reputation of a person. This was seconded by Palmer and approved by Randy. Randy moved to come out of non-public at 9:45 pm. This was seconded by Palmer and approved by John. Selectmen discussed a personnel issue.

Randy moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:48 pm. This was seconded by John and approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet E. Woolner
Minutes accepted by__________, __________, __________.
Present: Palmer Koelb, John Millican, Randy Morrison and Janet Woolner

John moved to go into non-public session at 8:25 pm per RSA 91-A:3, II (c) to discuss matters which if discussed in public would likely affect adversely the reputation of a person. This was seconded by Randy and approved by Palmer. John moved to come out of non-public session at 8:37 pm. This was seconded by Randy and approved by Palmer. Selectmen discussed a request for public assistance.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet E. Woolner
Minutes accepted by ____________, ____________, ____________.
TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN

Non-Public Minutes (2)
January 15, 2008 Meeting

Present: Palmer Koelb, John Millican, Randy Morrison and Janet Woolner

John moved to go into non-public session at 8:38 pm per RSA 91-A:3,II (c) to discuss matters which if discussed in public would likely affect adversely the reputation of a person. This was seconded by Palmer and approved by Randy. Randy moved to come out of non-public session at 9:45 pm. This was seconded by Palmer and approved by John. Selectmen discussed a personnel issue.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet E. Woolner
Minutes accepted by __________, __________, __________.
Present: Palmer Koelb, John Millican, Randy Morrison and Janet Woolner
Also Present: Bobby Cass, Stacy Cass, Walter Rebel, Acting Chief Kevin Kay, Ellie Murray, Chip Strata, Donna King, and Carol Freidrich

John moved to open the meeting at 6:07 pm. This was seconded by Palmer and approved.

Selectmen authorized Bobby to get a CD from the vendor Caterpillar to order parts for the grader. Bobby said property residents are pushing snow onto the roads. Selectmen will check on an ordinance to .

Selectmen talked to The Road Agent about plowing the Town Office yard and shoveling the walkway.

Acting Chief Kevin Kay updated Selectman on Police matters. He requested a non-public to discuss

Donna King talked to Selectmen about the possibility of an ordinance

Walter Rebel talked with Selectmen about the racetrack noise and hours on the permit. Walter said races are racing later and the noise is louder especially after logging the backside of the property.

Carol Freidrich provided updated information on the jail project. She is suggesting that the design needs to be changed to reduce the personnel. Operating costs need to be reviewed and alternative energy needs to be considered. Nine votes are needed to vote against the project.

Palmer moved to approve the Minutes and Non-Public Minutes for January 3, 2008. This was seconded by John and approved by Randy.

Selectmen signed Timber Warrant for Simeone M/L 02-02-02, letter to Acting Chief Kevin Kay, Time Warner Cable, and Senator Deb Reynolds.

John moved to go into non-public session at 7:16 pm per RSA 91-A:3, II (b) to discuss the hiring of a public employee. This was seconded by Palmer and approved by Randy. Palmer moved to come out of non-public session at 7:37 pm. This was seconded by Randy and approved by John. It was agreed to pursue an applicant.

Palmer moved to go into non-public session at 7:38 pm per RSA 91-A:3, II (c) to discuss matters which if discussed in public would likely affect adversely the reputation of a person. This was seconded by Randy and approved by John. John moved to come out of non-public session at pm. This was seconded by Randy and approved by Palmer. Selectmen discussed Personnel issues.

Randy moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 pm. This was seconded by Palmer and approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet E. Woolner
Minutes accepted by____________, __________, __________.
Present: Palmer Koelb, John Millican, Randy Morrison and Janet Woolner

Also Present: Mike Clark, Randy Whitcher, Chuck Sackett Jr., Claudia Anderson, Brian Clark, Don Bagley Sr., and Vickie Swan

John moved to open the meeting at 6:05 pm. This was seconded by Palmer and approved.

There was general discussion on the combining of both schools in Warren and Wentworth. John Millican suggested a non-binding opinion question be put on the Town Warrant. Don Bagley suggested that an opinion poll be put on the school ballot also. It was acknowledged that Warren has a 5 year contract with another town for the 7th & 8th grades. Don Bagley suggested Wentworth invite the school Board members to the meeting in Warren next Wednesday.

John asked the Ambulance members why there is another $2,000 increase this year. Brian said they are still in the red due to increased costs, ie fuel costs as well as over all medical costs, however, Collections, Medicare & Medicaid have not increased.

Brian said calls increase 25% each year (267 calls for 2007). Randy Whitcher requested the W/W Ambulance write up information to inform both towns. Don Bagley requested the W/W put a report of the income/expenses in the town reports for public information.

Brian Clark said they have hired a F/T person and has agreed to provide a detailed expense report by the end of the week.

Palmer stated the W/W hydrant does not work properly and Selectmen want to send a letter to the State of NH because the hydrant can’t be used by all trucks. Warren can’t draft off the hydrant and Wentworth has trouble as well.

The discussion continued about combining the schools. It was stated that staff can be reduced and certain programs combined to save both towns a substantial amount of money.

Warren has a combined school budget meeting and town budget meeting, as well as a combined annual school meeting and annual town meeting on the same day and works very well.

It was agreed to meet next week in Warren and include the school boards.

Palmer moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:14 pm. This was seconded by John and approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet E. Woolner
Minutes accepted by__________, __________, __________.