Present: Nicholas A. Hay, John F. Fairbanks, Laila J. Michaud

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Hay called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Selectmen's Office at Town Hall.

APPROVAL OF WARRANT/MINUTES

Mr. Fairbanks moved that the Board approve the regular session minutes of February 8, 2010, as printed. Ms. Michaud seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Board members reviewed and approved the following warrants:

February 16, 2010	Payroll #49	\$161,161.95
	Accounts Payable #50	\$178,145.92
February 18, 2010	Deduction Warrant #49D	\$144,685.76
February 22, 2010	Accounts Payable #51	\$147,777.68

Mr. Hay acknowledged the resignation of Planning Board member Claude LeBlanc effective April 26, 2010. Mr. Hay also thanked Mr. LeBlanc for his service on the Board.

Mr. Hay announced the Planning Board vacancy and encouraged anyone interested to take out papers.

Mr. Fairbanks moved that the Board vote to place the position on the April 27th election ballot and if the position is not filled then the Board will make a joint appointment with the remaining members of the Planning Board. Ms. Michaud seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

6:37 PM RECESS (To attend Town Caucus)

Mr. Hay moved that the Board recess and reconvene after the Caucus at or around 7:30 p.m. The motion was duly seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

7:56 PM RECONVENE

BUDGET REVIEW – ASSESSORS

The Board asked the Assessors to remove their stipends from their budget for FY11. The Assessors agreed to review the request at their next meeting and get back to the Board of Selectmen. Mr. Fairbanks asked that they review their budget and reflect the correct line items.

Ms. Holm stated that she had sent the list out on the Farm Excise taxes and that they are due back by March 1.

BUDGET REVIEW

Ken Burstall Chairman of the Advisory Board requested that the Advisory Board and the Board of Selectmen meet with any remaining departments at their next meeting in order to get the warrant ready for the Annual Town Meeting.

The Board asked Mrs. Murphy to contact any departments who have not previously met with the Board to come in on March 1 to discuss their budgets.

John Fairbanks stated he would like to revisit the Library furloughs and the possibility of implementing the reclassifications.

CENTRAL MA EMS CORP REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. Fairbanks moved that the Board designate the following individuals to serve as corporate members for Central MA EMS Corp; Town Representative: Chief Brenton MacAloney and First Responder Representative: Captain Kevin Nivala. Ms. Michaud seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

FEMA REIMBURSEMENT

Mr. Fairbanks moved that the Board sign the final request with FEMA for reimbursement of work completed during the Ice Storm in the amount of \$391,744.01. Ms. Michaud seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

PROPOSED CELL TOWER – MILE HILL ROAD

Several residents were on hand to request that the Board of Selectmen consider alternative sites to the proposed location of a cell tower at the base of the parking lot located at Wachusett Mountain. Other suggested locations were the Rambler property at Hager Park and the city of Fitchburg Wachusett Lake property.

Mrs. Murphy stated the Zoning Board is under a time restriction and she did not think there would be time to go through the process required in order to offer the town-owned Rambler site as an alternate location.

The Board of Selectmen agreed to send a letter to the Zoning Board of Appeals requesting that they give the applicant sufficient time to come up with an infrastructure plan. If this doesn't work then perhaps the ZBA could consider other locations suggested.

MEMORIAL POLICY

Library Trustees Dana Altobelli and Beth D'Onfro were on hand to state that the Library Trustees are okay with the proposed Memorial Policy. The Board of Selectmen asked the Library Trustees to consider getting the Memorial Committee involved with memorial requests for fairness and consistency.

The Selectmen agreed to approve the Memorial Policy at their next meeting after the word "permanent" committee has been added to the policy.

SELECTMEN MEETINGS

Ms. Michaud asked the Board to consider changing their meeting day as she would like to attend some of the Planning Board meetings which are presently held on the same night. Board members agreed to consider changing the day after July 1, 2010.

9:38 PM EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Hay moved that the Board meet in executive session to discuss pending litigation. Mr. Fairbanks seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote. It was noted that the Board would adjourn directly from executive session.

ADJOURNMENT

The Board adjourned from executive session at 9:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Laila J. Michaud, Clerk (Prepared by B. Kazan)