# HUDSON, NH BOARD OF SELECTMEN Minutes of the June 27, 2006 Meeting

6:30–7:00 p.m. Attorney-Client Session

- 1. <u>CALL TO ORDER</u> by Chairman Richard Maddox at 7:00 p.m.
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Selectman Shawn Jasper.

#### 3. ATTENDANCE

Selectmen: Richard J. Maddox, Shawn N. Jasper, Kenneth J. Massey, Kathleen R. MacLean and Benjamin J. Nadeau

<u>Staff/Others</u>: Steve Malizia, Town Administrator; Priscilla Boisvert, Executive Assistant; Attorneys Jay Hodes and Mike MaGrath; Atty. Brad Westgate; Chief of Police Richard Gendron; Tom Sommers, Town Engineer; Fire Chief Shawn Murray; Jim Michaud, Assessor; Lisa Nute; Jim McIntosh, Cable Utility Coordinator; Leo Bernard, Vice-Chairman of the Cable Utility Committee; Kevin Slattery; Richard Maynard; Tim Goldie, Traffic Engineer; Len Lathrop; Paula Tate-Jean; Wesley Tate; Ottarnic Pond Coop Members; Doug Robinson, HLN

## 4. PUBLIC INPUT

Kathleen Brown, 5 Lawrence Road, had signed up for Public Input relative to questions on zoning, but she cancelled on 6/26/06. Chairman Maddox asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the Board on any subject.

Len Lathrop, 34 Winslow Farm Road, said he was representing Hudson Council on Aging, as a member of the Board of Directors, to talk about establishing a dialogue with the Board of Selectmen for possible land acquisition for this private corporation. They want to build a facility, within the Town of Hudson. The HCA does not have a lot of plans, nor a lot of ideas. They don't know how the private/public scenario will mesh together, but at this point, they are just requesting opening a dialogue with the Board. Communication and open discussion will be beneficial to everybody, but they don't want to be barking up the wrong tree.

Chairman Maddox asked if there were any questions from the Board. There being none, he said they might possibly take this up as a discussion item under Other Business later in the meeting.

# Presentation of the Police Department's Certificate of Accreditation.

Chief Gendron said in December 2005, the Police Department was reassessed for its operations, with 446 standards being reviewed. The Town did very well, better, in fact than they did in 2003. Only five files were returned for additional documentation and minor changes. In March, Chief Gendron, along with Selectman Massey and Town Administrator Steve Malizia, as well as other Police Department personnel, attended the CALEA (Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agency) meeting in Jacksonville, Florida. Some departments lost their accreditation, some were placed on probation, but Hudson did very well. They were impressed that the Town Administrator and Selectman Massey attended, the only department that was represented by an elected official, to the best of his knowledge. The agency views that in a favorable light because it shows that it's not just the Police Department who wants the accreditation; it's the town. Everyone should be proud of the Police Department because getting re-accredited is usually harder than getting accredited the first time because they have to prove that the standards were maintained for three years. He thanked retired Capt. Bill Pease, who did a great job, working right up to the end, even when he went to Nashua to be their accreditation manager. He came back that week and was with them and with the assessors. Sgt. Bianchi took over as Hudson's accreditation manager and he has done a great job. He thanked the staff and everyone in the Police Department. He thanked the Board, including former Selectmen Bill Cole and Terry Stewart, who were very supportive. He particularly recognized former Selectmen Chairman Ken Massey who, during the on-site assessment, came out every day to meet the assessors and find out how things were going, or if there was anything he could do. His enthusiasm was clearly visible to everyone, including the time in Jacksonville. Chief Gendron then presented the accreditation award to Selectman Massey, adding that the previous accreditation award was presented to Ann Seabury because when he was first appointed as Chief, she told him one of his goals was to clean everything up and get rid of the problems. Selectman Massey said the Chief was correct in that there were departments up for re-accreditation that when you heard the reasons why they weren't re-accredited, you could hear the shudders in the audience. The ones who were placed on probation were almost as bad. There were about five that fell into that category. The other thing that was most telling to him was the team that came to Hudson to do the accreditation told him that they were really surprised; they don't see very many cities or towns where the police and fire departments work so closely together and clearly make it possible for town-wide safety to be done. They were real appreciative of the fact that the Fire Department is so closely connected with the Police Department—something they don't normally see. He thanked Chief Gendron, and Chief Murray, as well.

# K-9 Trials.

Chairman Maddox asked the Chief to update the Board on the K-9 trials. Chief Gendron said a few weeks ago, they had a K-9 trials, which are events to certify police K-9's throughout New England. The Hudson Police Department sponsored this at Anheuser-Busch in Merrimack and Officer Sullivan did a tremendous job in preparing for this, putting in a lot of time. There was a lot of support from the residents and businesses in the community, who came out. Mother Nature didn't cooperate, but the dogs still work in the rain. Over 50 police departments competed, including NY City. Akim had enough points to get certified. This was the first time the State Police came out and they got a lot of novice awards and also was certified. There are a lot of police K-9's in the State, but not a lot of them go through a school, get certified and that's the end of it; there's no lo-going process to make sure the dog and the handler are staying on top of things. There were a lot of K-9's from NH and MA. Anheuser-Busch was fantastic and wants Hudson to do it again.

#### 5. **NOMINATIONS & APPOINTMENTS** (None at this time.)

#### 6. CONSENT ITEMS

Motion by Selectman Nadeau, seconded by Selectman MacLean, to accept consent items A-E, as noted or appropriate, carried 5-0.

#### A. <u>Assessing Items</u>

- 2005 Abatement Denials (Map 221/Lot 5, 8 Hampshire Drive, Lowell Shoe); (Map 221/Lots 1 & 6, 16 & 29 Flagstone Drive, Parker Hannifin [Chomerics]); (Map 182/Lot 64, 15 Ferry Street, Sovereign Bank)
- 2) Yield Tax Warrant & Certification of Yield Tax Assessed, Map 144/Lot 024) w/recommendation to sign.
- 3) Current Use Lien Release, Map 144/Lot 24-3, 53 Lawrence Road, w/recommendation to approve.

#### B. Water/Sewer Items

- 1) Sewer Allocation for 14 residential units, Ferry Street & Adelaide Street, w/recommendation to approve.
- 2) Sewer Allocation, Map 204/Lots 72 & 73, Nottingham Square, w/recommendation to approve.
- 3) Sewer Acceptance—River Ridge Estates Subdivision, Taunton Lane & Leybridge Drive, Units 20, 21 and 41-56, Map 156/Lot 6, w/recommendation to approve.
- 4) Sewer Acceptance—Riverwalk Estates Subdiv, Brackett La, Units 11-18, Map 156/Lot 5, recommendation to approve.

# C. <u>Licenses & Permits</u> (There weren't any.)

# D. Acceptance of Minutes

- 1) Minutes of the Board of Selectmen's Workshop of June 6, 2006
- 2) Minutes of the Board of Selectmen's Meeting of June 13, 2006

## E. <u>Calendar</u>

- 6/28 7:00 Planning Board in CD Meeting Room
- 6/29 7:00 Open Space in BOS Meeting Room
- 7/04 4<sup>th</sup> of July Holiday—Town Hall Closed
- 7/05 7:00 Planning Board Workshop in CD Meeting Room
- 7/10 7:00 Older Persons Advisory Council in CD Meeting Room
- 7/10 6:30 School Board in BOS Meeting Room
- 7/11 7:00 Board of Selectmen in BOS Meeting Room
- 7/12 9:00 a.m. Joint Loss Prevention Meeting in CD Meeting Room
- 7/12 7:00 Planning Board in CD Meeting Room
- 7/13 5:30 Sewer Utility Committee in BOS Meeting Room
- 7/13 6:30 Recreation Committee @ Rec Center
- 7/13 7:30 ZBA in CD Meeting Room
- 7/17 7:00 Conservation Commission in BOS Meeting Room
- 7/18 7:00 Board of Selectmen Workshop in BOS Meeting Room
- 7/18 7:00 Cable Utility Committee in CD Meeting Room
- 7/19 5:00 Water Utility Committee in BOS Meeting Room
- 7/19 7:00 Library Trustees in BOS Meeting Room

#### 7/20 7:30 Budget Committee in BOS Meeting Room

- 7/20 7:00 Democratic Committee in CD Meeting Room
- 7/24 6:30 School board in BOS Meeting Room
- 7/24 7:00 Older Persons Advisory Council in CD Meeting Room
- 7/25 7:00 Board of Selectmen in BOS Meeting Room
- 7/26 7:00 Planning Board in CD Meeting Room
- 7/27 7:00 Open Space Committee in BOS Meeting Room
- 7/27 7:30 ZBA in CD Meeting Room

## 7. OLD BUSINESS

#### A. <u>Votes taken after Nonpublic Session on June 13, 2006</u>

Chairman Maddox noted that at the Board's last meeting, there was a motion by Selectman Jasper, seconded by Selectman Nadeau, to seal the Nonpublic Session minutes of June 13, that carried 5-0.

# B. Hawker-Peddler Permit for Paula Tate-Jean to locate a Hot Dog Truck at Ducharme Sand & Gravel on Route 102

Paula Tate-Jean was recognized, giving her address as 335 Abbott Farms Lane in Hudson. Chairman Maddox noted that Ms. Tate-Jean submitted a map of the site, noting the location of the hot dog cart and asked if she was contacted by the Director of Community Development. Ms. Tate-Jean said Abby called to ask her to come down to indicate, on the map, the exact location of the cart, which she did. Selectman MacLean said when she drove by that area, it looked like it would be OK for this purpose, but she didn't think that was the issue, as brought to the Board's attention by the Town Administrator. However, the Director of Community Development had given it a positive recommendation, so she didn't know how the Board could not approve it. Selectman Jasper said the Board does not work for the Zoning Administrator, so the Board does not have to grant the permit. He said he was befuddled by what was in front of them tonight, versus what they had at the last meeting. The Town Administrator's memo indicated that the Board's previous action to not grant the permit was correct. That being the case, the Zoning Administrator's recommendation was not correct. His expectation was that the Board was going to receive something from the Zoning Administrator indicating how they would deal with the inconsistency. He wondered if the Ducharme site had a plan at all.

The Zoning Ordinance says it has to be indicated on the site plan, but if there is no site plan, then hawkers and peddlers can do whatever they want? Mr. Malizia said Mr. Sullivan didn't indicate that. He (Mr. Malizia) looked at the Town Code and indicated what it said, based on what the Board asked him to do at the last meeting. Selectman Jasper said it does not appear that this situation has been explained and he didn't know where, as a Town, they were at. The Zoning Administrator should have prepared a memo, or should have been here because they have something that is clearly inconsistent.

Chairman Maddox said the Board doesn't see a great many of these permits and thought the Zoning Administrator was tripped up by the Town Code, since he was looking only at the Zoning regs. Selectman MacLean said the Zoning Administrator's statement was that this request was consistent with zoning. Ms. Tate-Jean said there was one (a cart) there, years ago. Selectman Massey thought that the Board deferred this on the 13<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Malizia said no, it was denied. Selectman MacLean said it was denied because the Board wanted more information—where it was going to be and where people were going to park—and that's what they have tonight. Chairman Maddox said the ordinance clearly states that if there is going to be a food service at that location, it has to be reflected on the site plan, and that's the dilemma. They were trying to hammer out how they got to this point, since she wasn't notified a long time ago that this was not a permitted use. Now that the request is before them, they have to decide what they are going to do with it. Selectman Jasper said the Zoning Administrator did not do what the Town Code says. In the intervening two weeks, the Town Administrator located the statute, but there isn't any different opinion from the Zoning Administrator and, ultimately, it's his call on how he sees it. That is his charge under the Town Code and, under the Code, it doesn't appear that this is allowed. Chairman Maddox agreed, saying the Zoning Administrator probably looked only at the zoning regs, and not at the Town Code. This type of permit usually comes before the Board twice a year—flowers in the spring and Christmas trees in the winter.

Selectman Massey asked, based on when she made application through the appropriate Town departments, if she made a financial investment to go forward with this. Ms. Tate-Jean said she has everything and it has been inspected. She has her licenses and has paid for everything—a few thousand dollars. Selectman Massey said it was the Town, not the applicant, who made the mistake. He moved to grant a hawker-peddler license to locate a hot dog cart at the corner of West Road and Route 102 on the Ducharme Sand & Gravel property, subject to the following stipulation—all parking shall be on site; there shall be no parking on West Road or Route 102/Derry Road, and it shall be the applicant's responsibility to see that this is enforced; if it becomes a problem and the police have to cite for no parking, the hawker-peddler license will be immediately revoked. Selectman MacLean seconded the motion.

Selectman Jasper said it wasn't clear when the financial investment was made versus when the decision was made. The timeline wasn't very clear. Selectman Massey said the State application was April 18 and the application for the Town was on April 24. Selectman Jasper said Sean Sullivan didn't sign off until May 31 and the registration of the trailer was May 24, so the investment was made prior to Mr. Sullivan's letter and, therefore, not any fault of the Town's. Ms. Tate-Jean said she had the cart since April 18, before she registered it. Selectman Jasper said that investment was made before the application and certainly before Mr. Sullivan made his mistake. He didn't think the result would have made any difference, even if Mr. Sullivan had said on May 31 that the answer was no. The result would have been the same as where they are today. Selectman Massey agreed that was correct.

Wesley Tate, Paula's brother, came forward and requested to speak, saying he thought Paula was confused. She had gone to the Town for this and was told she had to do other stuff through the State first, so she expended the money to go through the State. Then the Town said she needed to have the cart inspected before she could go forward with the permit, so she ended up getting the cart to get it inspected, and all of that happened before what is going on now. There was a pay-out before this situation; he wanted the Board to know what the main scheme of things was. She thought she was going to go into that space and that is why she expended the money.

Selectman Nadeau asked if the Board could issue the permit, but say she can't use the Ducharme site. Selectman Massey said the application was for this specific site. Chairman Maddox said their dilemma is how Mr. Sullivan ruled, which was unfortunate, but the Board of Selectmen is the body that makes the decision. Sending her around to get all of those things is the normal procedure. Selectman Massey said he wanted to indicate why he made the stipulations that he did. He went to look at the property and parking at the intersection at West Road/Robinson Road/102 would not be safe. He talked to the Chief of Police subsequent to that and because the streets are not posted with no parking, he would have no enforcement mechanism, so the only mechanism the Board would have to ensure that parking doesn't occur on the roads is that the applicant, herself, would be responsible for ensuring that there is no parking on those roads and if it did become an issue, that would be grounds to revoke the license.

Selectman MacLean said Mr. Malizia's memo said the property has to have an approved site plan for this, but Mr. Sullivan doesn't say that he looked at the site plan and it doesn't have one. She wondered if there could be one, and they just don't know it. Chairman Maddox said the chances of there being a site plan that shows a hot dog stand in the corner of it are very, very slim. Selectman Massey said when he talked with Sean Sullivan about this, Mr. Sullivan indicated that it was because it was a permitted use in the zone that he made his ruling. Chairman Maddox said so Mr. Sullivan looked at zoning and not the Town Code. Selectman Massey said Mr. Sullivan never mentioned anything about the Town Code. Selectman Jasper said two weeks ago, he was on the losing side of the motion because he didn't vote to deny, although he brought the issue up because he had some questions. The problem he has now is, very clearly, they can't grant this without violating the Town Code. They cannot grant a license for this site without a violation of their own Town Code, and he can't vote to do that.

Selectman MacLean asked what would happen if they did vote in favor of the motion. Would the Board lose faith? Would people say they were nuts because they make a rule, and then break it? Selectman Jasper said, very clearly, the governing Board of a Town takes an oath to uphold the constitution and the rules and regulations of that town, and they expect everyone in the

regulated community, all the homeowners and businesses, to follow the rules. If the Board feels something is inconvenient, or don't like it, how can they expect others to follow the rules, if they don't think something is convenient or if they don't like it? The regulation has to either be changed, or they have to give up any moral authority to govern the town. The Board can't knowingly violate the Town Code. They can't pick and choose who they decide to go after, without any regard to their own rules and regulations. He is sorry this happened, but the mistake that the Town caused didn't lead to the expenditure. The applicant was told what had to be done in order to get the permit and then, after the fact, the site was questioned. The Board can have a public hearing to try to change the ordinance, but they had this for a reason, because of all of the hawkers and peddlers they had around Town, and all the problems that went with it. Selectman Massey withdrew his motion; Selectman MacLean withdrew her second.

Motion by Selectman Massey, seconded by Selectman MacLean to defer action until July 11, 2006 to request an opinion from the Zoning Administrator as to whether or not there is any indication that this property is either grandfathered for this use, or had a site plan that indicated its use.

Selectman Jasper said there is no site plan. If you look at that site, there is the beginning of a building. The steel structure is still up; the foundation is up. He thinks that started in the late 70's and the Town issued a cease and desist on that building, in part because there was no site plan. Selectman Massey said his recollection was that, at some point in the past, there was a coffee wagon, a trailer, not a hot dog cart, on that site in that location. Selectman Jasper said a grandfathered status is lost after 366 days and the ordinance was adopted eight years ago. He didn't think there was grandfathered issue for this site. There needs to be a site plan, a new location or a change in the regulation. Mr. Tate didn't think it would be feasible to spend \$5,000 for a site plan. This is what it is, but maybe it ought to be looked into—the reality of what can and what can't happen. This is an ideal site. It would be out of the way, with no real headache there. Selectman Nadeau asked if they had any other sites. Mr. Tate said no, not in mind. Selectman Jasper said he'd take up former Selectman Charbonneau's argument. In this case, there is a place right across the street that sells hot dogs—Mobile on the Run—that paid how much to have the light installed there? This wouldn't even begin to be a good location without the light, and that's one of the reasons why hawkers and peddlers have to be careful about the location. When they are putting someone in a location that's in direct competition with somebody who is paying an awful lot of property tax and someone who made a huge investment to make that intersection usable, there is a dilemma. Chairman Maddox said he didn't disagree with him or with former Selectman Charbonneau, but the motion was to defer.

*Vote: Motion carried 5-0.* 

# C. Green Meadow Timeframe and Scoping Process

Chairman Maddox said as there were a lot of questions about this site, he was trying to push this thing to where everybody's all on the same plane. Mr. Sullivan has provided a breakdown of the last DOT scoping meeting, as well as the backup documentation, which is already considerable. Chairman Maddox wanted to bring everyone up to speed and get their opinions. He, along with the Town Administrator and Community Development Director, met with W/S Development in regards to getting the monies for various items that the Town wished to pursue. Basically, they weren't in favor of spending any monies, at this point. They sent the \$15,000 for the traffic, as outlined in the scoping, but that's as far as they wish to go, at this point. There is quite a large volume of paperwork already and he'd like to see, as part of their budget, that the Community Development Department get those documents scanned and put on the Town's web site so that anybody who wishes to see those can do so. The Board received a request to hold those meetings in Town, and if it is a public meeting for the Town—Planning Board, ZBA, Conservation—absolutely. They can certainly request that any meetings held by the DOT accommodate the Town be holding them in Hudson. The after 6:00 p.m. might be difficult, though, but the Board can make the request. He believes the Community Development Director has made those requests.

Selectman Jasper wasn't sure that it was in the Town's interest to try to make these into public meetings because they are not public meetings, by definition. He is talking about meetings with staff, and not a quorum of any Board. It's DOT and there are ideas and information being thrown out. If everyone there is comfortable with having the public there, that's fine. He doesn't have any problem with that, but his understanding is that if anybody, any party to the meeting, says this is not an open meeting, they have the right to have the meeting closed to the public because it does not meet the definition of a public meeting. He didn't think they wanted to get into some sort of a contest with the developer or with the State by demanding that the meetings are open. Ultimately, the consultants or staff are going to get the best information if people are afraid that every time they open their mouths, or give out information, it's going to show up someplace in a public forum for public consumption. That may not be the case, but that's his opinion. However, the reality is that staff would have to come in after 6:00 to attend these meetings. Where do they end this? If the Chief of Police, the Fire Chief or the Road Agent has a meeting, at what point does the Board say this is a meeting that has to be posted and be held after 6:00 and everyone has to be let in? Where are they going to draw the line? And is this going to apply to every single plan that comes before the Planning Board? They can't just say Green Meadows is special and they are going to carve out an exemption for them. This is similar to the conversation they just had. They have to have rules in place that apply to everyone and everything. They can't just decide this is special, so it has a different set of rules.

(Start Tape 1-B)

Chairman Maddox said that's why he was very careful to say, "request," because that's all they are going to do. If the State opts to do otherwise, that's their decision. This is a very important project for the Town of Hudson, and there are a number of entities interested in its progress, so if the Board can accommodate them, they will try. They can't, however, force a State agency to do what the Town wants them to do. Selectman Jasper said if something is critically important to one individual, is the Board saying the rules don't apply? The same rules should apply to all. The Town Planning Board and staff meet with a lot of people from a lot of different agencies, and some of those things are critically important to those abutters. Because it is a smaller group, is the Board saying it doesn't care about those two or three people; it only cares about Green Meadow? He didn't see how this gets into

being different in terms of access to the public. Either it's open, or it's not. What will the Board do if the States agrees to come down after 6:00 and the developer decides not to participate in meetings that are going to have all these people here. It will be distracting; people will make noise; people will then think they have a right. What do you do? The Board should think this through. Something he learned a couple of weeks ago—you've got to think things through. What do they do if the developer says no? If they've done all this and the developer says no, will the Board say OK, the meetings are closed? The Board should decide that now.

Selectman Massey said he agreed with Selectman Jasper. There are meetings that come under the purview of the open meeting law, and they would continue with those. It would be folly to think that all of the other meetings that are technical in nature, for the most part, would be anything other than what they are today—working sessions. Having said that, however, it would be of critical importance, because of the nature of this project, that all documents, once they come into the public realm, or as soon as possible thereafter, posted on a special section of the Town web site where any and all people are welcome to read and peruse them. He read the scoping documents in front of them, and they are still not where they ought to be. He then moved, "to authorize the Town's consultant, VHB, to prepare for the Town of Hudson, an economic scoping document on the potential 20-year growth in the Town, due to anticipated development of the Green Meadow property. The deliverable to the Town is a document that provides estimated growth and impact statements. The growth statement will include residential, retail, commercial and industrial properties. The impact statement will include police, fire, community development, school, road, sewer and water services. The statements for growth and service impacts will be in two sections—direct and indirect. The direct section will have estimates for the development of the Green Meadow property; the indirect section will have estimates for follow-on development. To ensure that the Town gets the best possible results, estimates shall use date from three comparable-sized projects in New England, rather than notional or regional averages. The cost of this project shall not exceed \$39,000 unless authorized by a vote of the Board of Selectmen." Selectman Jasper seconded the motion, as requested by the Chair, for discussion purposes.

Selectman Massey said if they can be talking about anticipated development of traffic requirements for a proposed \$1.2 million initial build, and upwards of \$3 million plus for a t0-year build, then there is no reason an economist could not take that same basic data and extrapolate it to come up with what the result would be of the growth in the Town in terms of residential, commercial and industrial businesses and what that then would turn into impacts of the services of the Town. At this point, that wouldn't ever be an issue of whether it was the specific proposal they've been talking about, or some future one. That's the reason he thinks it is important, and the other thing is he had given a lot of thought as to how this would be funded. He believes it should be funded from the cost that they have set aside to do this work with VHB and the actual document, he does not believe should have any cost attributed to any one developer. However, he would think the results would be, since they know what the impacts on the various services would be, based on the estimates, when a development of that type came before the Town, they would be in a position to know what would be required of them in the way of contributions. In terms of the indirect implications of future business developments, he expected they would, at some point, on the basis of that information, instruct VHB to update the formulas for all of the Town's capital assessment projects so they would pick up the impact of what this type of development would have on all of the Town's services.

Selectman Jasper said he agreed that an economic impact study needs to be done, but to make that decision in a vacuum would be ill-advised. There is no site plan, and he has concerns about that. Maybe that's not valid, but what he thinks they really need to do, before they make this—and the sky is not falling, as there is no site plan in front of them and there is nothing pending before the Planning Board and is not likely to be for several more months—they would be well advised to sit down with members, or at least the Chairman of the Planning Board, and talk about if they have the ability to request this as part of the process, and have the developer pay for it. It may take awhile to do it, so if they request it, might their time run out before it gets done? In reading the RSA's, this is a reasonable thing to request a developer to do, and that could be done at time of application. Also, he'd like to talk to VHB, or whoever their contractor is, and find out what really is the long-term value of this, if they don't have a specific plan in front of them. They may feel it's better to wait until the site plan comes in, so they can get better data. To do this right now makes it look like, oh, for heavens sakes, the sky is falling, we have to do something now, we have to make it look like we're doing something. He thinks they could wait until the next meeting and bring someone in, or have the Town Planner look at this issue for them and give his recommendation on when the best time is and the best format to do this in. To some degree, they are preempting the Planning Board on what they are able to do. He didn't think the Board wanted to do that. He supports the idea, and it needs to be done as soon as feasible, but he's not sure it's feasible to get a document at this time that will have the value for \$39,000. The Board would be better off taking the \$39,000 and going to Foxwoods. They might get more value than doing a study when they don't have a plan and they haven't consulted with any of the players.

Selectman Nadeau asked where the \$39,000 came from. Selectman Massey said right out of VHB's estimate to them of what it would cost to do that—but he didn't believe it was anywhere near the right number. However, he had to pick something at the front end, so he used their number that they estimated to do it. But they never specified, when they said an economic analysis, what it would consist of. His motion would be very specific of what was being requested. He didn't disagree that, right now, they didn't have a plan in front of them, but what he was suggesting was, whether or not the current developer decides to do something with that property, something is going to be done, and no developer is going to be required—nor would they agree—to pay for any secondary cost estimates. They all know that if a development of this type goes in, they are going to see other development in Town occur. When he read the scoping document, there is nothing in there about the methodology for the impact on roads 3-A south, Wason and Musquash, Lowell Road, 111 and 102 and, even within some of their own estimates, they conveniently ignore something he heard today for the first time. It's called the rat hole. People are going to take the easiest method they can to get from Point A to Point B and he could guarantee that, coming up Dracut Road, people are not going to go all the way up to the Sagamore Bridge. They're going to figure out how they can get over to River Road and come up that corridor road. He would not have any problems if they were to defer this action until the next meeting, to get input from VHB as

to what it would actually cost, and he certainly didn't think \$39,000 is the correct number, but it was because that was the number that they, themselves, estimated it would cost.

Chairman Maddox said he requested that the Community Development Director get the price for a slimmed down version of their proposal for the \$39,000 and what he was told was that the data gathering was the biggest portion of that, so to get a scaled-down version, they might save \$4,000 or \$5,000. The \$39,000 will be pretty close because you have to spend X amount to get the data before you can even do the modeling or the analysis. He said he was split down the middle. He thinks this needs to be done, but he didn't think it needed to be done today. He hoped they would put more monies into the request to look at the existing sites that they already have because that will surely show them a trend as to whether it was stated by the developer that there would be X traffic, X revenue, Y crime—whatever there may have been—and then to go back and see what actually happened would give them some indication as to what scale will be presented when they actually do come in. He hoped they would put more monies into the item they looked at—and he sent an e-mail to the Board members, with only Selectman Massey responding—with regard to a particular item on that list. Selectman MacLean had responding back, as well, asking—and he was paraphrasing--if they could just ask if they were happy. Some of the questions he made up on his questionnaire was very similar to what Selectman Massey was looking for, for the Town of Hudson. If they do it in miniature of what was already done in other communities, that would be, in his mind, a better jump right now, and then as soon as something is put on the Planning Board's table, then he agreed with Selectman Jasper; they say this needs to be done. He thought he would split the difference. He will ask again what they can get for a reduced number for the next meeting and get together with VHB and the Community Development Director to give the Board (a recommendation) of what they think should be done. He asked if that was where they wanted to go, because there was a motion on the table not to exceed \$39,000.

Selectman Jasper said he agreed with the Chairman in terms of putting more money into looking at what has happened. He's not even sure there are three comparable sites in New England. The size of this is just so vast. All they can do is look at scale and look at traffic and that's what they really ought to be focusing on right now. They need to talk VHB and to Sean Sullivan. They all have a fear this is going to get ahead of them and once the plan comes in, the clock starts ticking and they are not going to have time to get the information. He didn't believe that to be the case. He thinks, once the plan comes in, the clock starts ticking to a degree, but part of that is this is the information they need to get to a certain point that really begins the countdown. He thinks everyone expects the traffic and the economics are going to play a large portion. He thinks these two are really hand in hand and once you begin the traffic study, you can begin to look at the economic impact because the traffic will tell them a lot. He thinks that they need to be looking at tying the industrial park directly into that interchange because he thinks that will change the dynamic of it over time, whether it's a zoning change or other factors that come into play. They need to look at these in a rational manner, and not piecemeal, and not get all excited. He didn't believe the sky is falling. They are, ultimately, in the driver's seat in terms of gathering the information and keeping this on a rational time line, saying this is the amount of time we need to do this study, based on the plan you presented. There is no plan. Much of what we do right now could just be a total waste of money, if they are not doing it based on the right information. At least, that's his opinion, and why he'd like to hear from VHB on the value of doing this, if they guess one thing and they come in with another. Maybe they will say it really doesn't matter. He'd be surprised, but he'd like to hear their opinion.

Selectman Massey said he keeps hearing they don't have a plan, and they don't. All they've had is a lot of talk, but at the same time, he hears everybody saying they've got to jump on this traffic. As he said two meetings ago, the whole traffic issue is being based on a specific plan, or a concept plan, and that plan is that phase one will be a 1.2 million sq. ft. life style center, followed by phases two and three, over a 20-year period. All of the traffic studies, all of the methodology is being based on that. The traffic study won't tell them how many services the Town needs. The traffic study won't tell them what they should expect to see in the way of new businesses over the next 20 years. The traffic study won't tell them what the impact on the schools will be. The traffic study won't even tell them, based on what they have in here and their methodology of any of the other corridors in Town. The only thing they talk about on 3A is from Dracut Road north. They don't say anything about Dracut Road south and of 3A south of Dracut Road. They don't talk about anything relative to Wason, Musquash, Lowell, 111 and 102. His point is if they can do a traffic study that's going to be based on specific concepts that this particular developer is doing, there is no earthly reason why they can't use that same set of assumptions to do the more important issue, which is the economic impact to the Town for the next 20 years of a development of this type.

Chairman Maddox said one of the things he's added to the list is zone changes after the first development because he thinks that is also going to have an impact. As development goes on to Green Meadow, do people want to come in and rezone the industrial park to retail? Those kinds of things. Tonight, they are going to come up with more questions than answers, but he wants to keep the dialogue to where people can see what they are all trying to get to, which is the same place, but maybe not at the same speed. There is a motion on the table that he thinks they may want to back out. Selectman Massey requested a roll call vote.

Selectman Jasper said he didn't mean to drag this out but, unless he has missed something, there is no traffic study going on. What is going on is the scoping, which will determine how the traffic study is done, talking about what Selectman Massey just talked about. How far out do they go? How far down into Massachusetts do they go? How far do they go on Route 102, 111? That's what's being done, unless he's missed something. There is no traffic study. Scoping is determining the parameters for which a traffic study will be based. They still haven't gone ahead to that point. He asked if he was correct. Chairman Maddox said he wasn't going to guess. He was going to ask the Town Engineer, who was in the audience, who attended the last scoping meeting that was held. Mr. Sommers said no, he did not; he attended the one prior to that. Chairman Maddox asked Mr. Sommers if he thought Selectman Jasper was correct. Mr. Sommers said with the scoping, Selectman Jasper was mostly correct, but they do want to move ahead with the traffic study as quickly as possible. Selectman Jasper said but they weren't to that point yet. Mr. Sommers said he didn't know that because he didn't know what happened at the last scoping session, which was last week.

Chairman Maddox guessed that they are doing some of the data gathering for the traffic studies right now because they have information in their packets of what they are looking at at various intersections at Wason Road, Executive Drive and Flagstaff, so they are doing some amount of traffic counts. They are starting to build a base. (Talking over each other.) Mr. Sommers understood they met with NRPC, but he didn't know the results of that. At the meeting he was at, what they were trying to do was move forward as quickly as possible to do the scoping session with NH DOT and the Town, with their consultants present. Their own traffic engineers were doing the scoping and the consultants were intending to review it and make sure, on behalf of their clients, they were comfortable with it. There were a lot of discussions going on, such as how far out it extends and what the background growth is, which really refers to what Selectman Massey is talking about, in terms of the other growth that will occur, the secondary impacts. What he (Mr. Sommers) suggested at the first scoping meeting was, because of this type of development, Selectman Massey is correct—they've seen it in Salem, Nashua and other places—there is a definite effect; secondary impacts/extended growth that is beyond the normal background growth. That is something that, he understood, the Town wanted VHB to look at in a more detailed light than one would expect the developer to look at. That's what he understood funding was necessary for, separate from the developer would pay for. The developer would absolutely have to pay, and it's usually in the Planning Board process, for the impact studies, etc., that are a direct effect from the development. The specific effects that are indirect are really beyond what developers normally are required to pay for. That's what he understood the Town was talking about with additional funds, so they could develop one of those impacts and determine if they should have new impact fees, etc., etc. in the process. He knows they do want to move ahead as quickly as possible. Once they get the scoping done, it's their intent to move into a traffic study, based on certain assumptions—the 1.3 million sq. ft. and then phases two and three. He's not sure what those are, at this time.

Selectman Massey said he was mindful of the comments Selectman Jasper made earlier, which was it would be worthwhile to have VHB comment on this proposal. He withdrew his motion; Selectman Jasper withdrew his second.

Motion by Selectman Massey, seconded by Selectman Jasper, to defer action until July 11, 2006 and request VHB to attend to comment on the specific proposal.

Selectman MacLean asked if VHB would be present for a discussion, or just to comment. Selectman Massey said, if appropriate, the Board would take action that night. They need to have a free form discussion with VHB. Selectman MacLean thought the Board already agreed that's what Sean Sullivan would do.

<u>Vote: Motion carried 4-1</u>. Selectman MacLean voted in opposition, saying she didn't think it was necessary to have VHB come to a meeting to talk to the Board.

Selectman Massey thought they already came to a consensus that, as soon as it was practical, they would put the documents that are being generated on to the public web site, so people can review them. His concern, however, was that he had a little time to go through the first set of documents, and he had a lot of questions. His question now, was, what the appropriate venue was to make comments on the documents, and/or any subsequent documents that comes forward. Chairman Maddox said it depended on who the owner of the document was. If it was about a DOT scoping document, the question would be asked through Town staff to the State. Selectman Massey asked if they should address their comments to Mr. Sullivan, who is the point person, so he could either direct it to the appropriate people or answer it, if he's in a position to do so.

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People are going to take the shortest route, not necessarily the fastest. Selectman Jasper said he was supportive of putting the information that's public on the web site. What he is concerned about, if they are talking about having questions and answers, he didn't think that was appropriate. They could end up tying staff up in knots. The appropriate venue for that is, once the plan comes forward, the people will have this information and be able to have their questions formulated and be able to direct those at the public hearing, but if they start doing something like this for this one plan, when they now have a public forum for questions and answers, either people are going to get mad because their questions are not going to be answered the way they want them to be, they are not going to be answered timely, or staff is not going to be doing other things. If they put the information out there, people can call the Selectmen, and they can do the best they can to answer the questions. To open this up to questions and answers with staff and the general public is a huge mistake.

Selectman MacLean agreed with the Chairman that there is no harm in asking people to come to evening meetings, and if the developer says no, then the answer is no, they don't meet at 6:00 in this building. It's as simple as that, but there is no harm in asking. She also wanted to mention that someone from the public has gone to the meetings so far, and there was no objection to that, at this point. People can go, sit and listen, and then they make the documents public. The e-mail that she got from an individual who really wants all of the meetings public that said to call the Selectmen, she wanted everyone to know that she didn't get one call. She even e-mailed someone who was there to get her input, and she hasn't gotten an answer. The idea that the public is breaking down the doors to get to these meetings, she didn't think they really are. However, if they make them public and someone has a question, they can ask whoever they want. It doesn't hurt to ask. They might not get an answer, and they might get upset, but if someone asked her why NH DOT said such and such, she will give them the number to NH DOT, or she will call them herself to try to find out. That's it; they can only do their best.

Selectman Jasper asked if the Chairman was actually going to ask that all the meetings take place after 6:00, that staff will now be directed to work evenings on this project. Chairman Maddox said yes, the request would be made. Selectman Jasper said that wasn't fair to Town staff. Just because one person in the community has asked that the meetings be at 6:00 at night, they are now going to react to that one person? They are going to take staff away from their families in the evenings because this has been requested, with no indication that that one person is even going to attend, or that anybody else wants to? The person who has

gone has gone during the daytime. He thinks it is wrong to ask staff to come in and work evenings on this project because of that *one* request. He didn't understand where the Chairman was coming from on that request and he didn't think he has the authorization to do that because he was changing the work schedule. That's something the Board can ask, but politely suggested that the Chairman not do that unless there is a request by a majority of the Board of Selectmen to have staff come in at night.

Chairman Maddox said he would explain his position. As the one who started the furor about secret meetings by saying the Selectmen kept things confidential, which somehow or other morphed itself into secret, he was trying to be overly cautious as to being as open as possible with this. This is a project that will change the face of Hudson for generations to come, so it is important to try to get out as much information as they possibly can. He didn't think requesting that those meetings be held after 6:00 was unreasonable. If any of the stakeholders say they don't want to, then it won't happen, but he didn't see that making a request was a bad thing. If, in the next three meetings, no one is in the audience, then they can go back to the original schedule. If Selectman Jasper wanted to make a motion to give direction, he didn't have a problem with that. However, as Chairman, he didn't think it was a bad thing to give people the option to attend the meetings. He could go either way.

Selectman Massey didn't believe it would be appropriate to change the work schedules of staff for something that is done during the daytime for all projects. Although this is a project of monumental scope, he wasn't in favor of asking staff to stay, bearing in mind when staff is asked to stay, they are going to be hard pressed to say no. Therefore, he didn't think they should be put in the position of having to respond to that question, and he would not support the Board requesting the meetings be held after 6:00, as the meetings they are talking about are the normal course of business meetings that developers have with staff to look at things they need to do in order to submit plans before the Town's land use boards. Selectman Nadeau said he wouldn't support asking them to come in in the evenings, either. Chairman Maddox said then the Chair will not make that request. He was just trying to over-compensate from issues in the past.

Selectman Massey said he was not suggesting that they have question and answer sessions. He was more concerned with who people would direct their comments to relative to the methodology documents. There have been things in there that he didn't see. His comment to whoever they would direct them to is, are those things going to be considered in this methodology scope? Selectman Jasper thought it would be appropriate to direct those questions to the Selectmen, and then they can try to get the answer for the constituents. He didn't know how many people were going to have the technical expertise to understand what they are talking about. He didn't pretend that he does, in most cases. He didn't want to tie people up in knots, but if this is posted and if anyone has questions or comments, they should be directed to the Selectmen. That's always appropriate. Selectman Massey said that was perfectly acceptable.

Chairman Maddox asked if the Board wanted to encumber some money to start scanning the documents, if they were going to use Mr. Sullivan's money that he has in the FY07 budget for scanning just the documents that are in his files to get them off the floor? Should they have a motion to encumber \$2,000 to be able to facilitate scanning the documents are providing them a place on the web? Selectman Massey said a lot of the documents they have are works in progress and don't reflect what is actually going to happen. If they post things on the web, they should be clearly labeled as works in progress and not the final documents and they are subject to review and change. Chairman Maddox said, hopefully, they would be in chronological order, so people can see that things have changed. He is trying to save people from having to come down to Town Hall and ask staff to make copies of them, or for the people to go through the files with all of the documents. He wanted to make this as transparent as he possibly could. Selectman Massey said it would be more appropriate, rather than encumber some money right now, to request the IT Department to give the Board a plan as to how they would maintain these documents. They could then take care of it at the July 11<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Selectman Jasper said the whole process of how this is maintained is important, too, because if you're not going to put the final document on there, and put in the work in progress document on there, when an updated version goes on, the old one ought to go off, because otherwise you are creating too much information and nobody will be able to make any sense out of it. Only current information should be on there. Chairman Maddox thought they should put everything on, in chronological, maybe somehow or other saying there is a later update, but something that shows how it got from the very beginning to where they are at any given point. Selectman Massey said that would argue for some type of document management system, and he thought they would want to hear from IT. They might find out that \$2,000 is just scratching the surface. Chairman Maddox said they were willing to spend \$40,000; he just wanted to move this forward somehow. Selectman Jasper thought Selectman Massey was correct, but at some point, they have to decide if this is going to cost 10 hours a week of someone's time to manage this, they have to question the benefit. The Selectmen get reams of paper and, at the end of the week, what can they really remember, even if they are reading it all? There is pertinent information that needs to go on there, but there is a hell of a lot of correspondence that is not going to do anybody any good. There has to be a gatekeeper here. Some information will tell someone something, but the rest of it is just reading through a whole lot of stuff. While he thinks this is important, where do they go from here? Are they going to start doing this for every single project to that same degree? He can agree that they need to have more information out there than they normally do on this, but they also need to manage it reasonably and not create a whole new position, and he can see somebody having to take 10 hours a week to try to track down all the documents that are generated from the different departments that are working on it, the different agencies, and then try to manage it and get it on there and if something doesn't get on there, then somebody will accuse them of trying to hide something. They really need to know what it is they want to put out there before just making a blanket statement that they are going to put everything out there when they don't even know what it involves.

Chairman Maddox said when they first started this, he requested the Community Development Director to keep a notebook of all of this stuff, and he says he does have it all in the file, so it isn't as much of a burden as they've made it out to be.

# D. Pennichuck Operations & Maintenance Meter Interface Units

Chairman Maddox stated that input from Pennichuck was not received. Mr. Malizia said he was working with Steve Densberger, who has to get the numbers approved by his board, and they weren't ready for this meeting, but they will be for July 11. Mr. Densberger was agreeable to getting an extension to the end of July, in case there were any questions on the 11<sup>th</sup> because it would give them another meeting to hammer things out. He clearly understands this is something the Town does want to do. Selectman Massey said Mr. Densberger was appreciative the Town pointed out that there was a hole in the Section 11 language.

#### 8. NEW BUSINESS

#### A. <u>Mobile Data Terminals (Police Department)</u>

Police Chief Gendron said police cruisers have MDT's—laptops--which allows the officers to run information on individuals out in the field, whether it is licenses or wanted checks, and report writing. It's strictly data. They've had a system in the cruisers for 10 years, run by a police radio in the trunk. They've known they have to replace them, which are usually done at eight years. They were looking at replacing the whole system, at a cost of about \$85,000, which includes the radios, changing the antennas on Merrill Hill and other radio communication parts that go with it. At the same time, they were aware that Portsmouth was experimenting with Verizon Wireless. Lisa did a lot of research on this and got together with Verizon. They did some test sites in Town and there were no dead spots with Verizon. With the radio, there are dead areas, such as near the Speedway and Robinson Fire Station. Anything over Barretts Hill seems to have problems. Hudson's radio system seems to interfere with the Town of Pelham's Fire Department. Every time the officers transmit data, it seems to interfere with their radios and he gets complaints from the FCC, asking him to correct it. He has tried everything, and the only thing left is to lower their levels more and more to the point where it doesn't work. With leaves on the trees, they are having a hard time transmitting through that. What they found with Verizon is they don't have to buy mobile radios. They are buying Verizon service and paying every month. They also found that they get faster service and better coverage. Even if they are out of Town, they can use their MDT's because they can receive information wherever Verizon is. Even when the Special Reaction Team is out of Town, they can use them. If they go with Verizon, it's going to cost \$8,746 annually for service for 15 vehicles, times eight years. If he stays with the radios, it will cost \$85,000 just to get the system running and then they will have to plug in \$10,000 every year for maintenance. Over an eight-year period, they will be over \$165,000. With Verizon, they would be up and running for pretty decent money. This year, it will cost \$13,605 as compared to \$85,000 for faster service and will eliminate the dead spots—and he won't have to deal with the FCC again. It took him 2-1/2 years to get a frequency for the radio communications, which he will be installing in August or Sept—a different system altogether, one the officers actually talk on. Approving this request, he thought, was a no-brainer because it offered substantial savings for the Town.

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Selectman Massey asked if there would be safeguards so no one can freeload on the network. Lisa said this was a secure network. She was awaiting approval from the State Police, making sure they have no problems, either. Chairman Maddox said these were the kinds of options that he's been looking for; the Police didn't just come in, saying the radios needed to be replaced. They looked at other options and this looks like a \$90,000 savings. It sounds like this works better all the way around. Selectman Massey said there was an additional advantage to going to wireless. If the technology changes in three years, the Town has invested only about \$20,000 as opposed to an up front investment of \$85,000. Chief Gendron thought other Town departments might want to consider this option, as well.

Motion by Selectman MacLean, seconded by Selectman Nadeau, to enter into a contract with Verizon Wireless Service for the Police Department's mobile data terminals (MDT's) with an approximate cost of \$14,000 for the first year and a projected cost of approximately \$75,000 over an eight-year period, as recommended by the Police Department, carried 5-0.

Chairman Maddox declared a recess at 8:35 p.m. The meeting resumed at 8:40 p.m.

# B. <u>1990 KME Pumper Fire Truck</u>

Fire Chief Shawn Murray congratulated Chief Gendron on the Police Department's re-certification. He said the new KME pumper was received about a month ago, scheduled to go in service on July 1. The old KME pumper had been considered as a trade in for \$5,000. When Selectman Nadeau went to the Selectmen's college, he met a couple of people who expressed an interest in purchasing it, but nothing came of it. On a recommendation by the Town Administrator, they advertised in the local government magazine and on the web site which generated a couple of inquiries. An individual from Connecticut offered to advertise it on his site, but would charge 4% of the selling price. They received an offer of \$6,000 from Valley Fire Equipment in Bradford, NH, an apparatus dealer. The body mounts are cracked and needs repair, as well as extensive body work.

Selectman Massey asked if this was an as is sale and if they would pick up the vehicle here. Chief Murray said yes to both, after the Town strips off everything but the old suction hose and ladders. Selectman Nadeau asked if it was worth keeping the old KME for parts that the new KME might need. Chief Murray said no because only the body was left and it would just sit out there and end up as a junk yard item. Chairman Maddox was a little disappointed that's all they could get, but they did their homework and no one else wants it. Chief Murray said he checked on e-Bay and they had a 1985 fire truck for sale and they couldn't even get their reserve. The highest bid was \$2,800.

Motion by Selectman MacLean, seconded by Selectman Nadeau, to authorize the Fire Department to sell the 1990 KME Pumper #22 fire truck to Valley Fire Equipment of Bradford, NH in the amount of \$6,000 carried 5-0.

# C. Ottarnic Pond Cooperative Sewer

Steve Malizia, Town Administrator, said there was a recent CDBG study done for the Ottarnic Pond Cooperative sewer extension, in which the study recommends extending the sewer to the actual cooperative property. Members were present to speak to the Board regarding a request to set up a sewer assessment district, or some other means of financing the extension. The study indicates the project would be in excess of \$500,000 and the cooperative would like to consider their options to pursue extending the sewer to their development.

Jamie Paloquin, Treasurer of Ottarnic Pond Cooperative, Lynn Booth, NH Community Loan Fund and Town Engineer Tom Sommers were recognized. Mr. Sommers said he has been working with the cooperative, trying to assist them in this endeavor. Ms. Booth thanked the Board for the supporting the cooperative, comprised of residents of the community, to do the feasibility study which pointed out the issues, some of which they knew and some of which they didn't. Unfortunately, the cost of the project was more than anybody really anticipated. This is a low and moderate income community, just recently bought. They don't have much equity in the community's mortgage in order to try to go forward and fix an issue which will affect all of them in the community, but also Ottarnic Pond and the Town, itself. They have some septic systems that are in failure and/or are beginning to fail. They have a letter from the Town's Health Officer, stating that he knows there are some conditions that need to be fixed. This is a two-pronged process they were hoping the Board would be willing to address and allow them to go forward with. One is asking for funding from the reserves to pay for 50% of the whole project, which includes water and sewer connection. This will eliminate the septic systems, which is the main issue. However, there is a main water line, but no looping in the community, which is down through the middle of the community, which is under some sheds and continuously breaking, so there is a loss of water there, as well. They are also asking the Board to support a CDBG for the July round, to pay for the other 50% of the project. The community does not score extremely high for points, but with a match from the reserve as a loan, they would score fairly well and there is a good chance they would receive the grant. The request tonight was to forward this request to the Sewer and Water utilities for their consideration and recommendation to the Board of Selectmen.

Mr. Sommers said this grant application has to be in by the end of July. The Sewer Utility Committee has already discussed this and there is a favorable consensus, with the details to be worked out. Getting recommendations back from the two utilities and then acting on this at the Selectmen's meeting on July 25, would give the cooperative time to get it in. They need the support of the Board to say the Town would fund 50% of this through a betterment district, whereby they pay it back over a 20-year period, at a certain interest rate. They also know from information Selectman Massey has gotten for those committees that the funding for water and sewer, with respect to a betterment district, would probably have to be done separately. One fund can't borrow from the other. The good news is the sewer is the more expensive part at about \$1/2 million and the water at about \$190,000. If they don't get the CDBG block grant, then they will be back in front of the Board again to discuss other options. This is, hopefully, going to work, but it requires the Board to support it, in order for it to work. Ottarnic Pond needs this, and the community needs this to move forward. This is a good thing.

Chairman Maddox said by coming to the last meeting in July, it will be all or nothing, and that is a concern, especially if this Board has any questions. There isn't any wiggle room. Mr. Sommers said they have to get application for funding in by the end of the month, in order to even be heard; that's not all or nothing. Chairman Maddox said if they are coming to the meeting on July 25 and if the Board had questions, they'd have no where to go because they couldn't go into August because then they would have missed the deadline. Mr. Sommers said that's why they were there tonight, to hopefully, ferret out some of the questions. The Sewer Utility is already aware of it, so they are in pretty good shape to move forward. He has recommended it, so maybe he's stuck his foot out too far. Selectman Massey said the Sewer Committee was meeting on the 13<sup>th</sup>, but information was needed for the packet Thursday at noontime. The Water Utility is meeting on the 19<sup>th</sup>, which gives them more than enough time to meet the 25<sup>th</sup> deadline. The Sewer Committee has had some informal discussions, but the question on the Water side is, once they found out they can do interagency loans, as long as they are in the same fiscal year, but you cannot loan money over multiple years, from one fund to another, so the water project would have to be taken out of the water fund. There has never been any creation, at this point, and there would have to be some serious conversations relative to the creation of betterment districts, in the water side. The fact that they're only talking about \$190,000 would put them at the \$95,000 contribution level. That's about 20% of what's currently in the capital reserve fund, so they certainly would have the financial ability to do it. A \$250,000 contribution on the sewer would not even be 10% of the current monies in the sewer capital assessment fund. There is well over \$6 million in that fund. From a financial perspective, the Town could do it, but they would have to have all their ducks lined up in a row by the 25<sup>th</sup>, the recommendation relative to the creation of the betterment district for the water side. They already know the requirements for the betterment district on the sewer side. Mr. Sommers said relative to the comment about the ducks in a row, what is needed is the support of the Board of Selectmen to say they would support this going forward and they want (the Cooperative) to apply for the block grant. They will then have time to get every detail worked out. As long as the Board understands the concept of what they are talking about, then things don't have to be signed, sealed and delivered at that point. If the Board feels comfortable things will be worked out, they can vote for it.

Chairman Maddox wanted to clarify that he understood where they were on this—they do not have to commit loaning the cooperative 50%, other than they are working towards that. Ms. Booth said actually, the Board would have to give a letter of commitment to the CDBG. All of this is necessitated because of the septic systems. If they get into the round now, a decision on the CDBG would be done by August and, hopefully, the engineering, etc., could be done, a bid could go out in January or February and construction could start in the spring. If they have to wait until January to apply for the grant, they will be almost a year behind. If the cooperative was willing to do it, they could possibly get a bridge loan from the NH Community Loan Fund, contingent on their getting the CDBG for that funding—the Town's 50%, with the understanding that the Town would come in and do it. The reason they don't want to do it with the Loan Fund right now is because the rates are 8% and that would put them

in a predicament as far as their rents are concerned. Mr. Sommers said the Board would have to sign on with enough comfort level that they are only talking about crossing some T's and dotting some I's, and not talking about any issue that is going to stop it from happening, because they are committing, at that point.

Selectman MacLean said tonight, if they do send this back to the Sewer Utility Committee, if then they will come back to the Board with more details, how much is in the reserve, and with a recommendation. She asked if the Board would have more numbers in front of them, showing that it's doable and the terms. Mr. Sommers said he would expect them to say this is the amount we are talking about, because they usually recommend motions, with a series of conditions. They would probably set an interest rate and outline their recommendation in detail, including the terms, with an approximate amount of the annual payment. Selectman Massey said he would expect the committee would also recommend waiving the connection fee. If this goes in, everyone in the development will hook up as soon as the lines are in. Given consistent past practice, the utility would probably recommend the Board waive the connection fees.

Selectman Nadeau asked if all 31 owners planned on doing this. Ms. Booth said it would have to be done that way, as a Coop project. At this point, there are three failing septic systems. Selectman Massey said any betterment district requires all people to connect. Ms. Booth said every homeowner in that community is a member of the Cooperative. The Cooperative, as a corporation, under RSA 301-A, is the owner of the land and the infrastructure, so it is a decision by the Cooperative, albeit by the membership, which has already made a resolution to try to go forward on this. So, there is no question about them hooking up. Chairman Maddox clarified that the Town would actually be loaning money to the Cooperative and asked if there was only one lot on this project. Mr. Malizia said one payment per year. Selectman Massey said one lien. Mr. Sommers said the Town would give the Cooperative one bill and it would then have to bill the members, but he didn't know if it would be annually, quarterly, or what. Chairman Maddox clarified that the district would be to the Cooperative, to the land, so that if that Cooperative went south, the Town would still have the lien on the property. Mr. Sommers said that was correct. Chairman Maddox asked if only one meter was going to be put in. Mr. Sommers said one water meter and the sewer is metered on the water.

Ms. Booth said they are asking for an actual hearing on the 25<sup>th</sup> to approve an application to CDBG and a grant writer will be contacting the Town to share that information, the same way it was done for the feasibility study.

Motion by Selectman Massey, seconded by Selectman Nadeau, to forward the request from Ottarnic Pond Cooperative for the extension of the Town's sewer system to the Sewer Utility Committee and Water Utility Committee for their review and recommendation, and that a public hearing would be held on July 25, 2006 for the CDBG, carried 5-0.

# D. Wason Road Booster Station—Award of Bid

Tom Sommers, Town Engineer, said they went through the bid process and received six bids, with the recommendation being for the lowest bidder. Funding is available from the Town and the developer participating in this. He hoped the Board would approve this, including the Chairman signing the appropriate letter, in order to move forward in the process. Selectman Massey said Mr. Sommers did take this to the Planning Board and received a favorable recommendation.

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Continuing, Selectman Massey said, for the benefit of those out in audience land, this booster station would be, as you enter the Stop & Shop properties on the In and Out exit, it would be right to the left of that property on Wason Road. Selectman Nadeau asked why there was such a big difference in bid prices and wondered if it was because work was done for the Town in the past. Mr. Sommers said none of the bidders have done work for the Town in the past because they haven't put too many of these stations in. North Atlantic, and some of the others, has worked with the Town's consultants on two or three stations, and they've been very satisfied with their work. The difference in price is who is the most hungry, or who looks most closely at their numbers. The spec document is very think, double-sided, and all of those requirements have to be met.

Motion by Selectman Massey, seconded by Selectman Nadeau, to award the bid for the Wason Road booster station construction contract to the low bidder, North Atlantic Coastal Region Constructors, Inc., in the amount of \$531,689 as recommended by the Town's design consultants, Weston & Sampson, and the Town Engineer.

Selectman Massey said this is the second of three south end projects that will complete the requirements the Board has asked the Town to do. The first one is the River Road construction project, which is going to be finished—God willing—this week; the basic project. The second is the booster station component and the third component will be coming forth in subsequent months, the water tower.

Chairman Maddox asked if the \$8,000 difference between the monies available and the cost would be pulled out of another water project. Mr. Sommers said they can still use the bond fund. They will have to look at that closely as they do they south end tank. He fully expects, with the conditions of construction out there today, that they will probably need more monies for that.

Vote: Motion carried 5-0.

# E. Wason Road Booster Station—Amendment #5, Construction Administration, Weston & Sampson Contract

Tom Sommers, Town Engineer, said in concert with the award of contract the Board just approved, the consultants will be needed for continuation with the Town. This is a reasonably sophisticated project. Although the Town has some assistance from them, they don't have the level of what is needed for this project where they are going to have to go on the site of where this is

being constructed, and they are going to have to go through a testing procedure, making sure all kinds of intricate electrical and mechanical details are done properly. This includes bidding assistance, which they have already been helping with, construction administration with part-time inspection and assistance with temporary impacts to existing sprinkler systems. When they put this system in, they will affect the pressure, the low end where this water is coming from to some degree. It will be their job to determine what that degree is and then help notify Stop & Shop, Market Basket, etc., who have sprinkler systems. They need to be looking at those systems to make sure they still work adequately. Those usually require tweaking, but it is their responsibility to do that. That's to help make sure the Town is being responsible in the water utility endeavor. The total fee is \$45,000 for approval of Amendment 5 to their contract.

Motion by Selectman Massey, seconded by Selectman MacLean, to approve Amendment #5 to the Agreement for Engineering Services with Weston & Sampson for bidding and construction administration, as recommended by the Town Engineer and Finance Director, carried 5-0.

# F. West Road Landfill Monitoring, GZA Addendum #19 and Burns Hill Road Monitoring and Remedial Action Plan, GZA Addendum #10

Tom Sommers, Town Engineer, said Addendum #19, for \$11,500, is the continuing monitoring the Town is required to do, and what it has been costing on an annual basis. This is for the testing and the annual report to NH DES, on behalf of the Town.

Motion by Selectman MacLean, seconded by Selectman Massey, to approve Addendum #19 for the continued monitoring of the West Road Landfill by GZA, Inc., in the amount of \$11,500 from 5555-264, carried 5-0.

Motion by Selectman Massey, seconded by Selectman MacLean, to approve Addendum #10 for the continued monitoring of the Burns Hill Road Landfill by GZA, Inc., in the amount of \$34,000 from 5555-264, carried 5-0.

# G. Oblate Retreat/Lowell Road Traffic Signalization

Chairman Maddox recognized Atty. Brad Westgate, who represents Etchstone Properties, the developer of Mission Point Condominiums on the Oblate property on Lowell Road and Kevin Slattery, president of Etchstone Properties. The project engineer, Richard Maynard, was in the audience and Tim Goldie, their independent traffic engineer. Atty. Westgate referred to his letter of June 13, saying they were present to request Board approval to improvements that came out of a condition of approval change by the Planning Board for this project. This project was approved in the latter part of 2004. Site work and construction on the old Oblate property at 200 Lowell Road has been on-going for some period of time. One on the Planning Board conditions of approval contemplated that a U-turn accommodation be made at Executive Drive on Lowell Road because of the right turns coming out of this project and some ability to go back left and then south on Lowell Road. After a lot of back and forth discussions between the engineers and developer had with DOT and the Town, it was felt that wasn't the best approach. The developer went back to the Planning Board in May and requested it modify that condition of the approval. The Planning Board, in May, changed the condition of approval of this project to replace the U-turn arrangement with a 4-way traffic signalization at Lowell Road and the old Oblate Drive and provide for an extension of Hampshire Drive a couple of hundred feet on the west side of Lowell Road to come into Lowell Road to make the 4-way traffic signalization. The developer would finalize his design and plans for this, with Planning Board approval of this modification and condition of approval, part of which was the Board of Selectmen's approval of the contemplated improvements. Mr. Sommers also gave his favorable recommendation, preferring this option over the U-turn.

Selectman Nadeau asked if a 3-way light could be installed instead of a 4-way. Atty. Westgate said traffic are put or not put on streets if they meet warrants—a need for signalization. The analysis that Mr. Goldie did indicated that the 4-way intersection is what generated the requirement for the warrant. The traffic signal is effectively a function of the warrant requirement by 4-way intersection rather than 3-way intersection. There were two or three different standards that this warrant was reached and at least two of them were reached by Mr. Goldie's analysis and nearly a third, as well, justifying the need for a 4-way.

Selectman Jasper asked if the nursing home would be tying in, as well, to eliminate that curb cut onto Lowell Road. Atty. Westgate said yes, that Mr. Slattery has had some discussions with the nursing home. He submitted a letter to the Planning Board, indicating that those discussions were on-going and the nursing home, in general, favored the approach to this project. Mr. Maynard discovered that the nursing home site plan apparently anticipated this possibility 20 years ago. Selectman Jasper asked what actual construction was going to have to be done in that beautiful new pavement. Atty. Westgate said what won't have to be done to any great degree is cutting up the middle of the pavement because conduit was laid before the final pavement was done. Selectman Jasper said he had in the back on his mind that conduit was run, but he didn't see anything in any of the documentation that indicated that. That was his only concern; he hated to see a project that was just finished be cut up.

Selectman MacLean asked if these lights would be timed with the others traffic signals. Tim Goldie, Traffic Engineer for Mr. Slattery, was recognized and said there is a signal at Flagstone Drive and one at Executive Drive. This signal is in the middle, at about 1,000 feet. As they lay out signals, that is the spacing they want to go by, so with the volumes right now, there isn't a need to have them timed together, but it would be in the future.

Chairman Maddox said the drawing indicated that the home abutting Hampshire Drive was also going to be losing its curb cut. Atty. Westgate said Mr. Slattery's arrangement with those folks is not finalized. He believed the owner of that property was elderly and died only a few weeks ago. Family matters have precluded a final understanding. Mr. Slattery said they are doing

their best. That subject came up at the Planning Board meeting. He has been communicating with two of the family members in a timely, on-going manner. They are aware of the signalization improvement. Some family members live out of State—there are seven of them—and he is dealing with the two controlling members. There is some movement within those family relationships, but he is hopeful they will be able to work this out and they will be cooperative. At the present time, no one is living in the house.

Motion by Selectman Nadeau, seconded by Selectman Jasper, to approve the improvements contemplated by the Planning Board's Notice of Approval (amended) of May 30, 2006, including installation of the 4-way traffic signal at the intersection of Oblate Drive, Lowell Road and Hampshire Drive, at the expense of Etchstone Properties, Inc., and Retreat Properties, LLC, which is supported by the Town Engineer and Director of Community Development, carried 5-0.

# H. Dedication of Land for potential future Widening or Realignment of Wason Road

Tom Sommers, Town Engineer, said this is a two-lot subdivision. This has been a fairly dangerous corner on Wason Road. Site distances are not very good, as they stand right now. He went out to look at it and if it is constructed the way it is designed, and he reviewed it, which is the removal of almost all of the trees, re-grading and then providing for a grass slope with grass and rip rap swale around the edge, they will then have site distance for their driveways, and also provide better site distance for the general traveling public in that area. It's a benefit to them and to the public, at large, coming around that corner. At the time this was before the Planning Board, he gave this project a favorable recommendation, once his concerns, with respect to the design, were met

Chairman Maddox said the recommended motion was to not approve this. Selectman MacLean said that was her question, too. It seemed like most of staff did not have a problem with it, expect for the Community Development Director. Mr. Sommers said the issue that Mr. Sullivan had was more of how it was being done. It is being shown as a separate lot and if they did that, they would lose their frontage and it couldn't be done that way. Mr. Sommers said it to do this, it needs to become part of the right of way of Wason Road and, therefore, it is not a dedication of a separate lot. It's a technicality that Mr. Sullivan was concerned about. Mr. Malizia agreed, saying it's not the actual straightening or widening, it was the appearance of a creation of a non-conforming lot and, thereby, the other two lots would have no frontage. It was a Zoning Code technicality, based on how he viewed the proposal.

Selectman Massey said his recollection of the matter before the Planning Board is that the Planning Board would be supportive of this being a dedicated right of way, and until the Town saw fit to straighten the road, that the two home owners would have written into their deeds, a stipulation that they would be required to maintain this site distance until such time as the Town did straighten the road. He was surprised to see the motion to deny because he thought the Planning Board was looking for a favorable decision from the Board of Selectmen to accomplish the task without creating a separate lot, which would be to create the dedicated right of way, but require the two home owners to maintain that area until such time as the Town saw fit to do the straightening. Chairman Maddox was the sitting member that night. Chairman Maddox said they were both there that night and he thinks they both agree that the Planning Board is looking for this for the future, and there is more than one. There's a whole parcel, and the lot lines are being moved around and whatever. The two lots being created that front on to Wason Road, by making it look like another lot is what has caused all of the problem. If they had dashed the lines, or did something else to reflect the fact that this is not a new lot. That's the confusion. The dedication is meant to give that elongated triangle to the Town, so that in the future, if the Town ever wanted to do something with Wason Road, the Town would already own that parcel. The agreement between the Town and the home owners would be as Selectman Massey said. It would be required to be maintained driveways through to the Wason Road until such time as the Town brought the roadway up to that straight line to the properties.

Mr. Sommers didn't know if there would ever be a straightening of Wason Road there, but the ditch line that would go in and the area that would be excavated and reshaped would become part of the slope of Wason Road and would be under the normal maintenance procedure done by the Highway Department. They would just cut it as they normally do and maintain that ditch line. The driveways, however, would always have to be maintained by the home owners; that wouldn't be the responsibility of the Town. Chairman Maddox added that that stipulation was outlined in Atty. Westgate's letter (dated May 5, 2006), at the bottom of the first page.

Selectman MacLean said the (so-called) non-comforming lot was the area of dedication; it wasn't making the two lots nonconforming. Chairman Maddox said that was correct. The Community Development Director's concern was that if that parcel in front of the two lots was considered a lot, then the two other lots would not have any frontage. Selectman MacLean said she was flabbergasted that the Planning Board would want to make two lots non-conforming. Chairman Maddox said that was not the Planning Board; that was the interpretation of the Director of Community Development/Zoning Administrator that the pie-shaped wedge would make it non-conforming because there was no frontage, at that point. Selectman Jasper said he finds it bizarre that he would say that. From what he can read—and the figures and lettering were very small—there is no creation of a third lot. It is a dedication of land to the Town. If it was a third lot, it would indicate that. It is clearly a dedication of land to the Town, which becomes part of the Town's right of way, and therefore, the lots have frontage on the road. Chairman Maddox said he had no argument with that. He thinks the drawing shows it to be something that it's not. Selectman Jasper said when you own the land and you dedicate it to the Town, how else could you do it? Mr. Sommers said maybe the wording should be changed to make it very clear that it's being dedicated as part of the right of way. Chairman Maddox said it already says area of dedication. Mr. Sommers asked if it says for a right of way. Selectman Jasper asked if that mattered, what it was dedicated for. Mr. Sommers said yes, it could matter. It should it's part of the right of way because they ran into another situation on Bush Hill Road where an abutter was concerned that the Town was going to land lock him by how they were moving the road. He thought they were going to be putting a piece of Town land in between, which was not part of the right of way. He thought it would be better to clarify to say it's being dedicated to the Town as part of the Wason Road right of way.

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Chairman Maddox said they could have kept this as part of the lots, so this is actually a benefit to the Town, at some point. They aren't going to widen Wason Road next year, but in 20 years, some Board of Selectmen will be very appreciative. This was a misinterpretation by the Zoning Administrator, which is where this is coming from. Mr. Malizia said Mr. Sullivan had discussions with Atty. Westgate, but he wasn't privy to them. The response by Mr. Sullivan is how he saw things, in response to Mr. Malizia's request that he sent out to all of the departments.

Chairman Maddox asked if Atty. Brad Westgate could shed any light on the matter. Atty. Westgate said Mr. Sullivan was concerned that, unless the Town owned the triangle, until it was deeded to the Town, he didn't think that the mere labeling of it as an area of dedication incorporated it into the right of way of Wason Road enough to take it away from the private ownership of the developer and put it in the ownership of the Town. Atty. Westgate had told him he believed that dedicating it to the Town creates frontage because it becomes an integral component of Wason Road by the very act of dedication, as they often do with developments where there are small strips of land where the road is widened to make it uniformly a 50' right of way. There are little pockets shown as dedicated sections to the road, and no one ever questions the frontage along those. If the area had been shaded differently, or dash lines between it and Wason Road, rather than solid lines, this notion of it being a lot probably would never have surfaced. If it is deeded to the Town, subject to what Selectman Massey said about the owners having the obligation to clear until such time as the Town takes it over, that will alleviate Mr. Sullivan's issue.

Selectman MacLean said she understands and is OK with that and asked if these two lots will now be taxed at a lower rate because they were smaller. Chairman Maddox said no, because they are not substandard lots. That would not be an issue.

Selectman Massey said he was cognizant of some ownership and liability issues, and the easiest way to deal with this was that the area in question should be deeded as a permanent easement for the Town and, at some point in time, when the Town would decide to put a road there, they wouldn't have to go buy the land, they'd have a permanent easement to do it, and there is precedent for that because, right now, at the corner of Philbrick and River Road and Chalifoux and River Road, the two roads don't meet. They are offset by the width of the roads. However, when the people who built the houses on the northwest corner of that area, they granted an easement to the Town and if at any point in time the Town chose to align Philbrick and Chalifoux, so they are 90°, the easement is there. They don't own that property now, and they don't have any legal liabilities for the property. Selectman Jasper said that suggestion complicates things. They don't have any liability for that land, anyhow. People always use liability. They are insured for it and have sovereign immunity to a certain degree and that's not going to be an issue. But a deeded permanent easement is almost a contrast in terms. When you grant an easement, he's never heard of being able to build on an easement that hasn't been dedicated fee simple. What's the difference between dedication and deeding?

Atty. Westgate said it's most commonly seen in creation of roads on subdivision plans, so a typical plan goes to the Planning Board, a 10-lot subdivision, and a new road is laid out. The recording of that plan, with the road being laid out on it is a dedication for public servitude. It means the public and the Town had the right to travel on that road, use it for utility purposes, etc. The fee ownership is still not with the Town; it's with the lot owners, unless the Town requires, as part of its subdivision approval process, that the fee, the underlying road bed fee be deeded to the Town. The Town, for years, didn't require deeds of the fee of the road bed, but then in the late 80's, they started to require that. He's not sure the Town is uniformly getting deeds of the road beds, but the projects he works on, he contemplates the ability to deed the Town the road bed because he wants that ability to do so, if that's part of the subdivision requirement. Dedication is ability use; fee ownership comes by way of the deed. In this particular case, the solution the Planning Board contemplated, to be consistent with Mr. Sullivan's concern with the nonconformity issue, is deed the triangle to the Town, subject to the maintenance requirements until such time as the Town takes it over. It is clearly deeded for the purpose of public highway and the full ownership will be with the Town, at that point, and they won't have to worry about eminent domain issues.

Mr. Sommers said he wanted to add a couple things to that. He disagreed with Selectman Massey because any time that you can get it deeded to the Town fee simple, the Town should take it because it gives the most rights to make sure they can do what they need to do on that property. He believed the Planning Board would more than likely agree with that. Secondly, if they just take it as an easement, they now do not have the same setback requirements; the setbacks now come forward because the setbacks to the house is to the property line, not to the easement. That's why he thinks this should be accepted as a deeding. The third thing is that in all the time he's been here, when they accept streets, they accept a deed which deeds that completely to the Town, so the Town owns that right of way, fee simple. There are older roads in Town where that may not be the case, but with all the new ones, they get them deeded to the Town, fee simple. It doesn't put them in any more jeopardy than if it was an easement.

Motion by Selectman Jasper, seconded by Selectman Massey, to accept the proposal from MRT Development LLC for the dedication of a strip of land--12,434 sq. ft.--for the future purpose of widening or realigning Wason Road, said land to be deeded to the Town of Hudson, subject to any further conditions imposed by the Planning Board, carried 5-0.

# I. <u>Bid Recommendation—Equipping Community Development Meeting Room</u>

Jim McIntosh, Cable Utility Coordinator and Vice Chairman of the Cable Committee, Leo Bernard, were recognized. Chairman Maddox said he has already asked the utility to take a look at the microphones because there are a fair amount of blueprints at Planning Board meetings, and with 12 members constantly moving paper around, that will have to be addressed.

Motion by Selectman MacLean, seconded by Selectman Nadeau, to award the contract for the project of equipping the Community Development Meeting Room to the lowest bidder in compliance with the specifications, Great Northern Video of Pembroke, NH, in the amount of \$24,767.16, as recommended by the Cable Utility Committee and the Finance Director.

Selectman Jasper said they don't have \$24,000 in this year's budget. Mr. Malizia said they'd take the balance in this year's budget, because it is paid for by the cable users, and will purchase the corresponding equipment next year—after July 1. If they put the entire amount in, the auditors will adjust the encumbrances downward to reflect what they actually get. They put the whole amount in, just to cover it, which is what they frequently do.

Vote: Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Selectman Massey, seconded by Selectman Jasper, request that the Cable Utility Committee review alternatives for miking the Selectmen's Meeting Room and report back on 1<sup>st</sup> meeting in August, with recommended alternatives.

He can't say how many times he's heard people tell them that the microphones do not pick up and are not sensitive enough, unless you speak very close to the mikes. People can't hear what is being said. He'd at least like to see them look at a different alternative, so people can hear the Selectmen clearly when they speak. If they move back, they can't be heard, or people are straining to hear. This has been something that keeps cropping up. Mr. Bernard asked if this could be moved up to August. Selectman Massey complied.

Chairman Maddox confirmed that Mr. McIntosh will come to the Planning Board meeting tomorrow night to get a flavor of the meeting. Selectman Jasper said speakers have a certain amount of responsibility to pay attention to how they are talking. He didn't know what other solution they could come up with. It would be nice if they all had wireless label mikes, but with all of the meetings going on, he feels they would be going through an awful lot of them. With the Planning Board, they may have to do something from the ceiling to work. He didn't think they wanted to do that in the BOS room, and didn't know if that would even solve the problem. When they are speaking, they need to speak up and be at the table.

Chairman Maddox said with the Planning Board, they are constantly rustling the prints, so the Cable Utility needs to be cognizant of what they are going to do.

Selectman MacLean thought Selectman Massey's motion was unnecessary, and thought it could be made into a suggestion, instead. She will ask the utility to look into it. Mr. McIntosh said Selectman Massey has brought this up in the past, and they have been looking into it, but with the advent of a new room coming into being, it's a question of what equipment is needed—if they should duplicate what they have, or replace the system entirely. They need a little more time to finish reviewing it, but he does have a quote for wireless microphones.

*Vote: Motion failed, 2-3*. Selectmen Maddox and Massey voted in favor.

## J. Fiscal Year 2007 Community Grants

Town Administrator Steve Malizia said they are getting ready to mail out the schedule for community grants for FY2007, which starts July 1. During the budget process for this fiscal year, the Board of Selectmen had approved an appropriation for \$94,250 for community grants. There was a specific list of grantees. During the Budget Committee part of the process, that number was adjusted downward by \$7,000 and then upon reconsideration, by \$4,000 so the approved budget by the Budget Committee that went to the voters was \$90,260 and that was approved by the voters. The Budget Committee wanted to level fund, with one new exception, the community grants line. Prior to sending out the letters, he wanted to touch base with the Board to determine if they wanted to go back to the \$94,000 funding level they had approved, with all of the grantees; go with the \$90,260 and cut out the two new grantees; or prorate the money over all of the grantees, including the two new ones. He didn't want to take a unilateral action on his own. He prepared a schedule of what the Board approved, the intent of the Budget Committee and the third column shows a prorated amount.

Motion by Selectman Jasper, seconded by Selectman Nadeau, to fund Community Grants in the amount of \$90,260 by prorating the amount across all of the agencies that were approved for a grant by the Board of Selectmen.

Selectman MacLean said there was only one agency that she had a problem with, personally, because they are associated with Planned Parenthood, and that is the NH Help Line, so she would like to remove them. She has been wanting to talk about this, but tonight is not the night. She wants to talk about going forward, not what has already been approved. In the future, perhaps at a workshop, she wants to talk about and redefine what a service to the Town is. She has a lot of things she wants to present to the Board about that. The NH Help Line is just an 800 phone number that people can call and say they need help with food, and a phone number will be given to them. If someone has the wherewithal to call NH Help Line, they have the wherewithal to call anyone they want.

Selectman MacLean's amendment to remove NH Help Line from the community grants did not receive a second.

Chairman Maddox said everyone saw the letter he got from the Anna Marie House. When he went to the Grange for the awards ceremony, the lady from Anna Marie House was there and he asked her to send him some information. As the letter indicated, this is not simply giving money. In fact, they need to find a better name than community grants. This reflects the services

provided to Hudson residents. If this resource wasn't available, a lot of money would have been expended via the Town Welfare. He'd like to see them fund the community grants at the full value, but he could understand the compromise, and some members are trapped between spending the money appropriated by the Selectmen vs. what the Budget Committee recommended. He will vote for this, but he'd rather have seen them fund the full amount. Selectman Massey said he was going to vote against the motion because it's unfair to the other agencies to penalize them. He would not be in support of adding more money to the budget. It was correct that the Budget Committee did restore the Child Advocacy Center. The Greater Nashua Interfaith Hospitality Network is a critical support agency for the Town, but he didn't believe the appropriate way to do it was by penalizing all of the other requests. None of them reflect what the agencies asked for in the first place. When they voted on these during budget deliberations, all of the agencies went away with the expectation that that's how much money they were going to get.

Selectman MacLean asked if it was even legal to restore the \$4,000 because they specifically tried to put it back in at Town Meeting and it was voted down. She agreed with Selectman Massey about the Greater Nashua Interfaith Hospitality Network. That is a service to the Town. It saves the Town money. It's an investment that the Town makes in itself. Other organizations on there are questionable. That's not her issue tonight, but NH Help Line is, and she won't support the motion for that reason. Selectman Jasper said Selectman MacLean lacks a fundamental understanding of Municipal Budget law, if she thinks that this is an illegal action. He assured her that he would not make a motion that was an illegal one. He's worked with the Municipal Budget Act for 26 years. Selectman MacLean said she was talking about Option 1. Selectman Jasper said that would not be illegal, either. It would be breaking faith and using the money from contingency for this would not be right. However, this is a gross budget and they can divide it up any way they want. He didn't have a big problem with taking that \$1,000 out, but felt this was a cleaner way to do it. It was the way the number worked and he didn't want to try to recalculate \$1,000 going into all of the other lines. He felt that funding the Greater Nashua Interfaith Hospitality Network is a worthy goal, and taking \$170 from someone getting \$4,000 wasn't a critical problem. Addressing Selectman Massey, Selectman Jasper said some of them did get 100% of their funding, such as Nashua Transit.

Selectman Nadeau said he'd go along with the \$90,260 for now. If they eliminated the NH Help Line and divided that money back into the rest of them, he wouldn't have a problem with that, either.

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Amendment by Selectman Jasper, seconded by Selectman MacLean, to remove the \$958 for the NH Help Line and to reallocate that proportionally among the other areas.

Chairman Maddox thought that the Budget Committee was sitting at home, having a good laugh that the Selectmen had voted, when the people came before them, for the \$94,000 because the requests were all good and reasonable causes. The maker of the motion to remove \$4,000 told him that he just said to cut the last two. He didn't look at how it should be done. He's not worthy or deciding which ones are worthy, so he can't vote for the amendment. The Board, when they heard the presentations, thought they should all be funded. Selectman Jasper said how it was done (by the Budget Committee) was the three new ones were taken out and it was a matter of level funding the previous years. There were some adjustments in there, but the intent was not to add any new ones. After quite a bit of debate and discussion, the Child Advocacy Center was added back in later, leaving the two new ones out. It wasn't leaving them off; it was not adding them in. The Budget Committee understood, at the time, this was a bottom line budget and they were giving a certain appropriation. They also know the Board of Selectmen has the ability to transfer money in and out of this, as it chooses. Ultimately, the Budget Committee can control only the total amount that can be spent, not the particulars. He has no qualms about doing this. Chairman Maddox asked if the Budget Committee allowed the other two to come in and give the same secondary round, as the Child Advocacy did. Selectman Massey said no, they did not. Selectman Jasper said no one from the Child Advocacy came in, either. It was just an internal discussion. Selectmen Massey and MacLean both disagreed. Selectman Massey said the only motion that carried to add the monies back was for the Child Advocacy Center. Selectman MacLean said that is clearly a service to the Town, as well. The Board needs to define what is a service to the Town because it is unclear and that is why they are having these problems.

*Vote: Amendment carried 3-2.* Selectmen Massey and Maddox voted in opposition.

Chairman Massey said the next vote would be to take the \$90,260 and divide it up by everyone but NH Help Line.

Vote on the amended motion carried 3-2. Selectmen Massey and Maddox voted in opposition.

## K. Fiscal Year 2007 Encumbrances

Town Administrator Steve Malizia said this is the annual encumbrance memo; the backup was upstairs in the office. This is the maximum number of encumbrances. There are numbers that will be paid and/or satisfied, but right now they are hedging their bets that they don't get the paperwork or invoices in on time. There are some warrant articles—Bensons, the Water Utility bond, the Police communications system—and then there are some normal budget expenses, then they have sewer and water. He wants to make sure they capture all of the expenses that have been incurred or contracted with for this year. When the auditors come in, they will adjust for whatever actually hit the books before July 1. Selectman Jasper asked if these were all budgeted items. Mr. Malizia said that was his understanding.

Selectman MacLean said in the backup, there was something from the Library about their \$20,000 from the warrant, but on the list there isn't an amount. Mr. Malizia said it was listed with the Warrant Articles. Chairman Maddox asked how long warrant article dollars could be carried. Mr. Malizia said non-lapsing ones can be carried for five years, statutorily, unless there are on-

going negotiations or contractual negotiations. With those, the auditors give leeway. They know the Town is working with the State and know it does take time; as long as there is a commitment. There are others that have said they can go five years out, so it depends on the article.

Selectman Massey said he talked with the various departments, but he just picked up something tonight. On the water fund, they've been carrying forward, for the past three years, an encumbrance of about \$159,000 and they've been spending against the engineering and design contracts for that. Chairman Maddox asked if it was in tonight's packet. Selectman Massey said if you look at Wason Road Addendum #5 contract, it says funding is supplemented through a \$150,000 prior year reserve set aside for the (not discernable), so two years ago, they set aside \$150,000 and have been carrying it forward. They've spent money against it, but he didn't see it there. He wondered if it was all spent. Mr. Malizia said the \$45,000 was... (talking over each other). Chairman Maddox said there was \$16,090 in the line below that. Mr. Malizia said that's an actual PO they have with Weston & Sampson and doesn't come out of the same bucket. Selectman Massey said the \$24,767.16 for the cable contract, there's only approximately \$19,000 in this year's budget to cover it, so the actual funds for the additional monies will be coming out of the 2007 budget. It's being encumbered because that's the actual cost of the project.

Motion by Selectman Jasper, seconded by Selectman MacLean, to encumber the not-to-exceed amount of \$3,494,392.01 for Fiscal Year 2006, carried 5-0

## 9. OTHER BUSINESS/REMARKS BY THE SELECTMEN

- **A. Ben Nadeau** wished everyone a happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July.
- **Shawn Jasper** said today he accepted, on behalf of the Town, some Benson memorabilia, which he will catalog. One of the things is John T. Benson's shaving kit. It has his name in gold letters inside and quite a few pictures and some interesting stuff in a box. The guy bought some of the stuff on e-Bay and dropped it by the house today. He didn't get to meet him, but he'll be sending him a letter. At some point, where they are collecting so many things, they need to come up with a better way of cataloging and storing the items in a more secure place. Some of them are going hither and yon, and they need to figure that out. That's one thing he needs to talk to the Benson's Committee about. Hopefully, they will be having a meeting soon because there are a lot of people with a lot of items that they would like to donate. They really need to begin a cataloging system. Betsy Hahn called and spoke to him about that. She has some ideas, which he will pursue and get back to the Board on, at some point.
- Kathleen MacLean said the Chair of the Library Trustees and the Chair of the Cable Utility Committee had met previously to C. discuss the possibility of a joint venture, which would provide the Cable Utility Committee with space at the new library for a cable access center. Each Chair brought back the results of the discussions to their respective committees, and since she is the liaison to each of those committees, she was submitting the following report. At the Cable Utility Committee meeting of June 20, there was a discussion about having a cable access center built in conjunction with the new library. It generated a lot of excitement and discussion. The final vote, however, was to follow up with more fact finding and more number crunching before they voted to move ahead to expend any funds, even the most preliminary of funds, and also it was thought that the Board of Selectmen would have to be fully supportive of this idea before they dreamed any further. The next night, June 21, the Library Trustees met and were also very excited about the idea. They are ready to give their architect a letter of intent to spend the necessary funds in order to move ahead with the project and they requested the same of the Cable Utility Committee. The Library is on a time constraint, due to the Board of Selectmen's deadline, and the Cable Utility Committee is just not ready to forge ahead full steam, so therein lies the conflict. Since the Library plans are far more advanced at this point, and the Cable Utility Committee's ideas are just fledgling, this is where the engagement is off. The merger plans must come to an end. She has finally learned that acting in haste almost always requires a leisurely repentance. Some of the discussion points that brought them to this juncture was they needed a clear separation of funds for the building, a clear separation of funds for heating, water, electricity, different meters and all of that, and the warrants that would be presented to the voters would have to be separate, yet one would have to be dependent upon passage of the other. There were too many points that needed fine-tuning for the Cable Utility to forge ahead to be up to where the Library is. The Cable Utility Committee is extremely grateful to the Board of Selectmen for the plans they already have in the works and, if it's possible to design the Library with the option of the cable access center for the future, that may be the way to go. There's no way to discuss how to make this all better tonight, but she wanted to let the Board know that she has talked with John Knowles and Mike O'Keefe and the Library has such a head start that the Cable Utility Committee isn't ready to jump in just yet—unless somebody comes up with a magic plan.

She wanted to quote the last verse of a beautiful song that everyone knows, especially at this time of year. "Oh, beautiful, for heroes proved in liberating strife, who more than self, their country loved and mercy more than life. America, America, may God they gold refine, till all success be nobleness and every gain divine. She hoped everyone has a happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July.

Chairman Maddox asked for a clarification—that the Library Trustees feel that the Cable Utility would be a drag on their ability to get to where they need to be by whatever date the Board set for them. Selectman MacLean said the Cable Utility thinks they will be the drag on the Library. The Library is way farther ahead in their plans than the Cable Utility Committee is. The Library wants an letter of intent from the Cable Utility Committee to say we intend to spend these funds to get the architect to design and it is just not ready to do that. They don't even know if the Board of Selectmen approve of this idea. It was just an idea that if they thought it would work, they would bring it to the Board, but it didn't seem like it was working. Chairman Maddox said before it is shot down entirely, maybe they want to put this on the agenda for July. The Library wants meeting rooms and these types of things, so maybe they should discuss the possibility. He didn't want to be building just a book storage area. He asked if the Board wished to discuss this further at another date. Selectman Jasper didn't think so. If the Cable Committee isn't ready to move

forward, the Board didn't have the level of expertise necessary to wade into the middle of it. Chairman Maddox said then, in three or five years, they will want to build a stand-alone cable utility building. Selectman Jasper said those weren't his words; they were the Chairman's. Selectman MacLean said in their preliminary discussions with the architect, another concern the Cable Committee had was the cost, and whether or not their cost would be the same because they wouldn't be holding books, so they didn't need as sturdy steel beams as the Library. It was more money than the Cable Utility had, but if the Board was willing to move the deadline for the Library, it could be considered. Perhaps, however, the Library wouldn't want to go past October, because they are ready to go now. Chairman Maddox felt that there wasn't any real interest, so he'd let it go. Selectman MacLean said there were other Board members. Chairman Maddox said one of them was already shaking their head, but noted that Selectman Massey wanted to weigh in.

Selectman Massey said there was under \$300,000 in the Capital Reserve Fund for the Cable Utility. Secondly, the money can only be used to buy or rent the facility. Thirdly, the things that need to be covered—and he agrees with Selectman Jasper on that—if the Cable Committee isn't ready to do it, until they are ready to come to the Board with some proposal, the Board shouldn't force something. To him, any location of that Cable Committee would include the ability to cable cast all of the meetings, for both the Town and the School side, which is a whole set of dynamics that would need a lot of discussion before they would rush into doing it. At this point, let the Cable Committee continue doing whatever they are going to do and if they come back with a proposal, fine, and if they don't, he didn't think there was enough money in the Capital Reserve Fund to do a whole lot.

- **Exercise 1.1 Ken Massey** said they've come to the end of another fiscal year and he thinks it is safe to say they come to that point in good shape and, in large part, because they have a dedicated group of employees across the entire Town, who help make this Town be what it is. He's said on many occasions that they are more than just bricks and mortar; they are people. He recognized all of the Town employees of Hudson for making the Selectmen's job a lot easier than it could be, and to thank them for their service to the Town. Good job; well done; thank you.
- E. <u>Rick Maddox</u> said in the Selectmen's distribution, there was a letter in regard to the proposed sidewalk easement and the issues with getting the Lowell Road sidewalk completed this year. He wondered if they were still in agreement that they would like to see the sidewalk completed. There are so many issues competing for the Town Engineer's time, and he is spending a lot of time on this project, trying to get all of the T's crossed and I's dotted. The consensus of the Board was in the affirmative.

Chairman Maddox didn't know who Selectman Jasper knows in the telecommunications industry, but the phone poll at the Hazelton Barn has been done so, hopefully, that project will finally get completed by the Highway Department this summer. Selectman Jasper said Steve was the one who made the call to his friend.

Continuing, Chairman Maddox said he sent a revamped spread sheet to the Code Enforcement Officer as a Word document. There were more pull-down menus, rather than having to type stuff in. He hoped this would be ready by the next meeting in order to get this thing done so they would have a better tracking ability, which has been the concern all along. To that end, he hoped they were going to continue to support the Community Development Department and the Code Enforcement Officer in doing his job. There are been a number of issues lately where Code Enforcement seems to take a back seat to inspections, and he's hoping this Board does support the fact that these items are important to the Town. They have a Code Enforcement Officer who should be doing code enforcement and, hopefully, resolving some of the issues that go back four, five months, and move this forward.

Chairman Maddox said, relative to the public input item—starting a dialogue with the Board for land for a Senior Center—his first thought was to send them off to the Older Persons Advisory Council, but in looking at the membership, they are intertwined. He didn't know how there would be any negotiations when most of the members are on one or both committees. He suggested that the group take a look a the Annual Report, which has a list of all of the various Town properties and find some that they feel would suit their needs, and come back to the Board, as a whole, or if the Board so desires, pick two Selectmen and send them off to maybe work with this group.

Selectman MacLean thought that was the specific reason why OPAC was created—to open dialogue with the Seniors and come back to the Board with a report, with Selectman Nadeau as the liaison. Chairman Maddox said yes, in the broad spectrum, that's what they hoped would happen in the future, but for right now, they have a group that wants to build a facility. How do they send it off to that committee if five out of the seven are also on the Hudson Senior Council? How do they have any kind of negotiations, if they are both intertwined? It really has to be with the Selectmen, at this point.

Selectman Jasper said he didn't understand the request to be negotiations; he understood it to be to open a dialogue. What he took that to mean was that, even though there is a lot of crossover membership, the Selectmen, sort of giving their blessing to them going out and investigating the Town property, and it was the one group coming in and asking. He thinks they ought to honor the request and authorize it and let them run with it and do what they want. Chairman Maddox asked for the definition of they, which was no worse than him saying negotiations as opposed to dialogue. Selectman Jasper said negotiations means having a willing buyer and a willing seller. There are certainly no sellers; maybe people looking to buy, but there's nobody that owns anything that they can sell, so he didn't think there was anything to negotiate. He thinks there is a lot to look at. He isn't going to pretend to understand the particulars of why the request was made the way it was, but if that's what the request was, they should support it and say yes, and ultimately, they will have to come back here because the Selectmen are the trustees over the land. Chairman Maddox didn't want to get the OPAC bogged down in looking at a place. Their function is to look at the big picture, as far as what other towns are doing, not just a place for a building for the Seniors—transportation, medical care, etc.

Selectman Nadeau said last night at the OPAC meeting, one of the members went out and got things from the surrounding Senior centers—Pelham, Windham. They had a guest speaker from Pelham, who told OPAC what they do and some if the things, if she could do it, she'd do here. If OPAC was going to go and try to look for land and get it done by October, they wouldn't be able to do it. Selectman MacLean said, just to be clear, this is a group that says we would like to build a building and we don't really know where to build it, so we might want to buy land. So, if the Boy Scouts, or anybody, came in and asked for the same thing, the Board would say sure, go and look at land and get back to us? Chairman Maddox said that wasn't quite where they were going. Because it is going to serve a Town function, at some point, they are looking to either lease the land, or that kind of thing. He didn't think they want to buy a piece of property from the Town. They could do that with any parcel that is for sale today. They are looking to try to find a way to get as much building for their buck by utilizing the Town land program. That was something they wanted to talk to the Town about. Selectman MacLean didn't have a real problem with that, but she thought that was what the OPAC was going to recommend to the Board. Chairman Maddox said they may do just that. They may come out and say the Town needs to look for a parcel to put a Senior Center on, but not to go out and look for parcels for this particular group, for one right now.

Selectman Massey said his initial reaction to Mr. Lathrop's request was it was going to get caught up in (not discernable, due to a squeaking chair) OPAC. He was thinking along two lines. They want to keep recognizing that the Hudson Senior Council on Aging is a *private* organization. As such, they are privately funded and open to whomever members they choose to open to.

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He didn't want that in any manner, shape or form, diminish what they are trying to accomplish with the committee that Selectman Nadeau is chairing, which is to come up with a comprehensive plan for what they want to do to provide services for all of the senior citizens in Town, and it wouldn't be restricted to a private agency in Town. Therefore, he wants to make sure they are clear that whatever they are entertaining with this private organization, they don't allow the other effort to be diluted or diminished and that they move forward with the plan that they can look at in October as to how they can do it. He said to remember that the reason for the October date was not arbitrary. October 15 is about the last date that they can look at to get money into the budget for anything they would want to do, relative to that. That's the reason for the October 15<sup>th</sup> date. So, bottom line is, if they want to go look at land and come back with a proposal, he'd be willing to entertain it, but he wanted to make sure they don't dilute the efforts of OPAC.

Chairman Maddox asked if everyone was going in the same direction. Selectman Nadeau said yes, the bus is leaving. Selectman Jasper said he was going around in a circle. Chairman Maddox said that was the same direction as the rest of them. It didn't tell them much, but it was the best they were going to do tonight.

Mr. Lathrop said the reason they were starting here tonight is that there were problems when there were open communication and idea exchange out in the community about possibilities of what the Council on Aging could do. He is one of the people who sits on both boards. He has to point out what he heard the other night; there might be a conflict. There isn't a conflict because he thinks both boards are looking to see how the Town of Hudson can interact with their Seniors. The second board, the OPAC board, was appointed by this committee as the volunteers showed up. The one person that wasn't involved with the Council on Aging was appointed. It was unfortunate that the rest of the people who volunteered also sit on the Council on Aging. There are two parallel roads—the Council on Aging has to proceed with their plans and with their goals of someday having their own center. He didn't think anyone on the Council on Aging, as in the past, is alluding to that an alliance with the Town is necessary to provide that for the Seniors. The Senior group is growing, up over 300 Town residents now, while the OPAC is looking at how the Town can interact with the Seniors. He thinks the Seniors have a movement underfoot, a lot of it spearheaded by the 111 project--the building on 111--which now has come to completion and the Council on Aging has voted, for many reasons, to abandon that site. Now, other sites and other ways of building some type of center is what they need to discuss, and they just want to have open, up-front communication with the Selectmen, with the Town, per se, so that no one is, later on, saying they are cutting deals or there's inappropriate talking, or things like that. That's why he was present tonight, so they can open up lines to say we want to talk about things; we want to talk about ways of doing this; we can to talk about potential similar land lease that the Hudson Youth Soccer did for Town land. They want to get all the cards up on the table so that there is no back-door meetings, there is no underlying things. Everything is right up here on television. In conclusion—as it has been a long meeting for the Selectmen—he said this is a matter of saying, "Can the Council on Aging start talking to the Town? Can we start looking at ideas? Are the Selectmen open for proposals and ideas?" That's not to say they don't need the Selectmen's ideas and proposals. As he puts his OPAC hat on, he hopes, in October, they will come to a plan that everybody will say hey! this is a wonderful plan. As Selectman Nadeau has said, they've had some visitors and they've collected some data and it appears that most of the towns that are relative to Hudson have started in similar ways. They've all started as private clubs, then they've grown up through and they started getting itty bits of funding, or they started getting some town property on some sort of collaborative, working arrangement to get where they are now. He thanked the Board for their time.

Chairman Maddox asked if Selectmen Nadeau would keep the Board apprised on the activities of OPAC. Selectman Nadeau said he would.

#### 10. NONPUBLIC SESSION

Motion by Selectman MacLean, seconded by Selectman Massey, to enter Nonpublic Session under 91-A:3 II (a) the dismissal, promotion or compensation of any public employee or the disciplining of such employee, or the investigation of any charges against him, unless the employee affected has a right to a meeting and requests that the meeting be open, in which case the request shall be granted; (b) hiring of personnel; (c) matters which, if discussed in public, likely would affect adversely the reputation of any person, other than a member of the body or agency itself, unless such person requests an open meeting, carried 5-0 by roll call vote.

Chairman Maddox said this ends the televised portion of the meeting. Any votes taken after the Board exists Nonpublic Session will be on the next agenda. Nonpublic Session is entered at 10:45 p.m. and was terminated at 11: 37 p.m.

Motion by Selectman MacLean, seconded by Selectman Massey, to accept the recommendation of the Chief of Police, in accordance with Article XXVII, Merit Awards, of the Hudson Police, Fire, and Town Supervisors' Association's collective bargaining agreement, and award \$500 to Lisa Nute and \$500 to Dorothy Carey for exceptional performance of duty, carried 5-0.

# 11. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

Motion by Selectman Jasper, seconded by Selectman MacLean, to adjourn at 11:40 p.m., carried 5-0.

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