Lincoln Board of Selectmen – Meeting Minutes March 3, 2009 – 5:00 pm

Present: Selectman Deanna Huot, Selectman Patricia McTeague, Town Manager Peter Joseph, and Administrative Assistant Susan Chenard Non-public Session Members: Michael Stevens, Jeff Meier, Tom Noonan, and Ted Smith Audience Members: Tammy Ham, OJ Robinson, and Joe Chenard

Selectman Huot called the meeting to order at 5:15pm.

Non-Public Session

At 5:15 pm, the audience left, and a **motion** was made by Selectman McTeague, seconded by Selectman Huot, to enter into **non-public session** per RSA 91-A:3 II(e). The vote was unanimous. The Board discussed a union grievance case regarding scheduling and worked with the various members to resolve the situation. A solution was agreed upon by all involved parties. At 5:55 pm, a **motion** was made by Selectman McTeague, seconded by Selectman Huot, to reconvene the public session. The decision was unanimous.

The non-public session members departed and the audience re-entered.

Routine Business

- Approval of the Public Meeting Minutes of February 23, 2009 A motion was made by Selectman McTeague, seconded by Selectman Huot, to approve the public meeting minutes of February 23, 2009, as written. The vote was unanimous.
- Warrant Article Review with Moderator OJ Robinson The Moderator and Selectmen discussed the warrant, and how to clarify certain articles. They also decided that they would plan to restrict discussions after articles 10, 15 and 22 to allow citizens who had come to speak on those subjects to head out without worrying that results would change afterwards.
- > Town Manager's Report
 - There had been a request to rent out the little office usually used by the tax preparation service. In looking at the application for the conference room, it seemed there was no set time limit for that \$50 fee. The Selectmen asked the town Manager to set up a schedule of fees and time, possibly with half day and full day costs.
 - Town Manager Joseph asked the Selectmen to sign an abatement for procedural reasons. A property had been taxed as land with partially built home, but after it was established that the home was complete, it was taxed at full value. The abatement would remove the original charge.
 - Pauline Paste, our new Treasurer, will be emailing monthly fund balance reports for the Selectmen to review. We are moving funds from NH PDIP to better paying funds at Citizens. This will allow us to instantaneously transfer funds, while keeping all funds 3rd party collateralized.
 - The Town Manager reported that NH ranked 51st in the United States with the least number of people incarcerated or on probation, i.e. under correctional control. Massachusetts is at #5 and Georgia is in first place.

Other Business

•The Selectmen elected to renew the Common Man land lease at the end of the month as usual.

•The Selectmen do plan to meet on March 9th to review the final version of the proposed lease with the White Mountain Snowmobile Club.

•Selectman Huot and Town Manager Joseph had both noted the article in the Union leader on February 18th regarding the InnSeasons Riverwalk project on the site of the old mill. It is nice to see positive news about this site, and the Town Manager was very impressed with how Mr. Ducharme satisfied every request by various government agencies, including the Town.

•The Selectmen reviewed upcoming meetings scheduled for March 4th, such as the Joint Loss Management meeting at 1:30pm and the Zoning Board meeting at 5pm.

<u>Audience Participation</u>

Tammy Ham noted that she was happy to have had the chance to understand the warrant articles prior to the Town Meeting next week.

At 6:49 pm, the meeting was adjourned and the Board of Selectmen reviewed payroll and accounts payable check registers for the week ending March 1, 2009.

Date: _____

Approved by:

(Not present) Chairman Peter Moore

Selectman Deanna Huot

Selectman Patricia McTeague