# Town of Lincoln Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes October 17, 2011

#### **Board of Selectmen Present:**

Chairman Peter Moore, Selectman Patricia McTeague and Selectman O. J. Robinson **Staff Present:** 

Town Manager Peter Joseph and Interim Administrative Assistant Nancy Decoteau **Public Present**:

Chester Kahn, Tammy Ham and Richard Thornton

#### CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Peter Moore called the meeting to order at 5:35pm.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

MOTION: "To approve the minutes of October 3, 2011 as presented".

Motion: P. McTeague Seconded: O.J. Robinson All in favor.

## **OLD/NEW BUSINESS:**

#### NHEC Abatement:

Peter Joseph stated that New Hampshire Electric Co-op has appealed the denial of their abatement request for tax year 2010 to the NH superior court. Peter Joseph explained that utilities appraiser George Sansoucy will attend the December 5<sup>th</sup> Board of Selectmen meeting to discuss the details of the case in non-public session.

# Tropical Storm Irene Ongoing Projects:

Peter Joseph updated the Board on the various projects.

Peter Joseph stated the FEMA representative, Ken Medernach, has contacted the office to set up a meeting to review damages from the recent flooding event.

Peter Moore stated it is critical that FEMA see all the project areas.

Peter Joseph stated he has a meeting with NH Office of Emergency Management representatives Wednesday, October 19, 2011at 10:00am to do an on-site visit to review damage to the Bunker Lane riverbank area.

Peter Moore and Patricia McTeague stated they will attend.

O.J. Robinson expressed his regret that a prior commitment will prohibit him from attending. It was noted that the 10:00am meeting on October 19, 2011 must be posted as a public meeting.

## Revaluation Status Update

Peter Joseph directed the Board to an email from Vision Government Solutions.

Peter Joseph stated initial results indicate the overall value for the Town decreased from \$933,717,800 in 2010 to \$831,721,100 for 2011 which is about an 11% decrease.

Peter Joseph also stated Vision sent letters to property owners informing them of the new assessments and providing them a phone number to call to set up either a phone hearing or informal hearing with a Vision representative.

Peter Joseph indicated the informal hearings will be held at Town Hall on October 24-26, 2011.

# Town Manager Report:

Peter Joseph referred to a letter written by Julia Griffin, Town Manager of Hanover to County Commissioner Michael Cryans regarding the proposed changes in Grafton County Dispatch services. Peter Joseph stated the Town of Hanover shares the same sentiment as the Lincoln Board of Selectmen.

Peter Joseph indicated that to date there has been no response to the letters sent by the Lincoln Board of Selectmen or the Town of Hanover.

#### PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Chester Kahn stated he has left a copy of the 2006 Army Corps of Engineers report on the Lincoln Local Protection Project ("Levee" on East Branch of Pemigewasset River) for the Board.

Chester Kahn stated the report may be helpful to have for the on-site review of the project. Chester Kahn offered to attend the meeting scheduled for Wednesday morning and left his contact information should the Board determine he should be there.

At 6:35pm the following motion was made:

MOTION: "To adjourn."

Motion: P. Moore

Seconded: O.J. Robinson

All in favor.

Approval Date 10 1241 11

Chairman Peter Moore

Selectman Patricia McTeagle

Selectman O. J. Robinson