Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting Minutes Thursday, January 8, 2015 6:30pm Clifford B. Green Memorial Center

Present: Rick Ives, Bob Kelleher, Joe Voccio and Melissa Bradley; Recording Secretary

Also Present: The Bulletin and WINY Radio

- 1. Call to Order: Mr. Ives called the meeting to order at 6:35pm.
- **2. Approve Previous Minutes:** Bob Kelleher made a motion to accept the previous minutes of 12/23/14 as presented. Joe Voccio seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.
- 3. Public Comment: None
- 4. Discussion on 2014-15 Budget: Mr. Ives has the breakdown of the moving expense from the Town Hall to the CBGMC but does not have them this evening. Mr. Ives will email them to the Selectmen. The bucket truck broke this week but has been fixed. The motor on the pay loader is gone and will be a costly expense. The highway garage has ordered salt and will be in good condition. They are also looking for a substitute snow plow driver while one of our employees is out of work due to an accident.
- 5. Discussion on 2015-16 Budget: The boards and commissions are working on their budgets now, the departments have finished.
- Discussion on Ethics Ordinance: The Selectmen have not received the re-draft of the ordinance. Mr. Kelleher will contact John Harris. Mr. Ives reports the procedures have been completed and adopted.
- 7. Discussion on Peddler's Ordinance: Currently Brooklyn only charges \$10 to obtain a permit to go door to door to solicit. Surrounding Towns are much higher; for example Killingly charges \$150. The Town Clerk has asked for this fee to be raised. State Statute says you can set your own fee. Mr. Kelleher agrees with just a change in the fee. Mr. Ives states the new fee would also include a background check. This will also need to go to a town meeting. A new fee will be discussed at the next meeting.
- 8. Other Business
 - Mr. Ives is still working on Board of Education terms and the transition with a newly elected First Selectman. The Selectmen agree a discussion with the Board of Education should take place. Mr. Ives will ask to be on their next agenda.
 - The grant for the accounting system has been sent in, nothing has been awarded yet.
 - Mr. Voccio asks if there is anything to distribute regarding the audit. Mr. Ives states there is not.

- Mr. Ives will contact Hans Koehl to see if he would like to serve on the capital committee. The other members have agreed to serve.
- Mr. Ives will include on the next Board of Fire Commissioners agenda the exploration of alternative ambulance service.
- There still has not been a new draft of the storm water management. Mr. Ives still does not believe it will go through as is.
- Cost meeting is Wednesday, January 14th.
- The first budget workshop will be on January 17th at 9am at the Town Hall.
- 9. Public Comment: None
- **10. Executive Session to discuss labor negotiations:** Mr. Ives does not have any new information and will put this on an agenda at a later date.
- **11. Adjourn:** Bob Kelleher made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Joe Voccio seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 7:02am.

Respectfully Submitted;

Melissa J. Bradley Recording Secretary