Kingston, New Hampshire Board of Selectmen Meeting of March 12, 2012 MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 pm in the main meeting room of the Kingston Town Hall. In attendance were Chairman Peter Broderick and Selectmen Charles Hart and Mark Heitz.

Chairman Broderick announced that, due to a scheduling conflict, a planned discussion with the town's Emergency Management Directors will take place at a future meeting.

Review of Previous Meeting Minutes

MOTION: Upon motion of Selectman Heitz and second of Selectman Hart it was unanimously voted to accept the minutes of the March 5, 2012 meeting as printed.

Announcements

Chairman Broderick announced that the 2012 Town Election and Ballot voting will be held on March 13, 2012 at the Swasey Gymnasium.

<u>Discussion of Road Name for Road to New Library</u>

Selectman Heitz advised that the Planning Board discussed naming of the new road leading into the Library at their March 6th meeting. The Library Trustees had suggested that the roadway be named Library Lane. The Planning Board discussed that choice, and decided that they prefer the name Nichols Way. Mr. Heitz noted that the final decision will need to be made by the Selectmen and, noting that he prefers the Planning Board's choice of name, asked if the Library Trustees should be invited to a meeting to discuss the road name. The Planning Board also moved and voted to name the new building the Kingston Public Library. The motion is only advisory as the decision, again, will be made by the Selectmen, but the Library Trustees may want to discuss that as well. The Trustees will be invited to the next meeting.

<u>Discussion of Congregational Church Tie-in to School Fire Suppression System</u>

Selectman Hart advised that the School District is continuing work to establish the fee to be charged for the Congregational Church to tie into the School District's fire suppression system. The tie-in necessitates purchase of an NFPA approved emergency generator and the cost of purchasing and installing that needs to be considered when arriving at a fee for the Church's tie-in. The district's Facilities Committee is reviewing the issues involved.

Proposed Conservation Land Purchase Discussed

Rick Russman and Ernest Landry discussed with the Board a proposal whereby Southeast Land Trust of New Hampshire will purchase a 56-acre parcel of mixed wetlands/woodland at 91 Rockrimmon Road, with the understanding that the Selectmen will support a Warrant Article in 2013 to purchase the property and provide a Conservation Easement to Southeast Land Trust. Mr. Russman showed the Board a composite map of conserved properties in Kingston and noted the proximity of the parcel to Rockrimmon State Forest and to the Tucker and Meadowsend properties acquired in 2011.

Selectman Heitz asked if the proposed Conservation Easement will preserve water rights to the town and if recreational uses will be allowed. Mr. Russman advised that he

assumes recreational uses - with the exception of ATV use - will be allowed and agreed that it's good policy for the town to retain water rights whenever easements are granted.

MOTION: Upon motion of Selectman Heitz and second of Selectman Hart, it was unanimously voted to propose an article for the 2013 Town Meeting requesting withdrawal from the Land Acquisition Capital Reserve Fund of \$85,000.00 for purchase from Southeast Land Trust of New Hampshire of a 56-acre parcel located at 91 Rockrimmon Road.

<u>Adjournment</u>

The Board reminded voters again that the town election will be held on March 13th from 8:00 am until 8:00 pm at the Swasey Gymnasium.

There being no further business before the Board the meeting adjourned at 7:42 pm and the Board retired to address administrative issues.

Respectfully submitted, Catherine Grant, Administrative Assistant