Kingston, New Hampshire Board of Selectmen Meeting of August 8, 2011 MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm in the Selectmen's Office of the Kingston Town Hall. In attendance were Chairman Peter Broderick and Selectmen Charles Hart and Mark Heitz.

Non-Public Session

MOTION: Upon motion of Selectman Hart and second of Selectman Heitz, Chairman Broderick polled the Board for a unanimous vote to adjourn to non-public session under the provisions of N. H. RSA 91-A:3, II-a. The Board adjourned to non-public session at 6:31 pm.

The Board closed the non-public session at 7:23 pm.

MOTION: Upon motion of Selectman Heitz and second of Selectman Hart, Chairman Broderick polled the Board for a unanimous vote to seal the minutes of the non-public session for an indefinite period.

The Board moved the remainder of the meeting to the Main Meeting Room of Town Hall at 7:25 pm.

Highway Department Updates

Road Agent Richard St. Hilaire discussed with the Board his intent to proceed with the Ball Road culvert replacements including the bid alternate to straighten a portion of the road way. He noted that William Bartlett, III, has agreed to grant an easement for the project provided he is assured that granting of the easement won't keep a subdivision that he's planning in the near future from proceeding. The Board provided to Mr. Bartlett a letter advising that neither the square footage of his property nor the linear frontage will be decreased by granting of the easement. Mr. Bartlett signed the easement form and a copy was provided to him.

Community Recreation Building Use Discussed

The Board discussed an application received for use of the Community Recreation Building by a local Girl Scouts troop. Recreation Director Donna Duddy had advised Chairman Broderick that the water supply and plumbing still aren't complete and that there is no heat in the building. The Board denied the request and will re-visit the issue once the building's construction phases all have been completed.

Bureau of Securities Regulation Investigative Report Presented

A report of the Investigation into the Local Government Center's activities was provided to the Board. The findings will be discussed once Board members have had the opportunity to review the report.

Pole Assessments Reviewed

The Board reviewed the assessment provided by Purvis and Associates for telephone poles that, until this year, were exempt from taxation per statute. The Legislature affirmed in July that the exemption will no longer apply, effective in 2011, so the town will be billing for the entire year in December. Selectman Hart requested that Town Counsel be asked to provide an opinion as

to whether the pole taxation affects or is affected by the Right of Way taxation case that has been pending for many years.

Joint Loss Management Committee Training Approved

The Board approved a proposed September 14th, 2011 training session for employees, required by the Department of Labor and provided by the town's insurance provider.

Review of Previous Meetings' Minutes

MOTION: Upon motion of Selectman Hart and second of Selectman Heitz the minutes of the June 23, 2011 meeting were approved as written.

MOTION: Upon motion of Selectman Hart and second of Selectman Heitz the minutes of the July 11, 2011 meeting were approved as written.

MOTION: Upon motion of Selectman Heitz and second of Selectman Hart the minutes of the July 15, 2011 meeting were approved as written.

MOTION: Upon motion of Chairman Broderick and second of Selectman Heitz the minutes of the July 25, 2011 meeting were approved as written. Selectman Hart abstained from the vote due to his not having been present for the meeting.

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 8:07 pm and the Board retired to address administrative issues.

Respectfully submitted, Catherine Grant Administrative Assistant