MINUTES
Board of Selectmen Meeting
Tuesday, July 11, 2006 @ 7:30 PM
Norma Drummer Room/Seymour Town Hall

Not present: Patrick Lombardi.

- The First Selectman opened the meeting at 7:30 PM.
- Everyone Saluted the Flag and stated the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion to approve minutes from Board of Selectmen Meeting on 6/20/06.
Motion: John Conroy  Second: Roberta King
Vote: 6-Yes  0-No  0-Abstain  0-Disqualify

First Selectman’s Report:
- Town Hall and Community Center started 4 day work week.
- Library new work week will begin the week of the 17th.
- New thermostats put in Town Hall, the Board will be updated on energy savings.
- Having Library and Community Center systems checked.
- Began comparing utility and fuel costs for each month.
- Culture & Arts use gym on Sunday if it rains during their concerts at French Park.
- Work at High School football fields.
- New signs being made for transfer station.
- Guard rails being installed on Old Drive.
- New drainage pipes for Assembly Hall.
- Katharine Matthies Grants will be awarded soon.
- Roads will begin to be paved by the end of the week depending on weather.
- Year end shows a 6-digit surplus.
- Senior Citizen Tax Freeze.

ITEM # 1 – Recommendations from the Building Committee on the contractor for the Great Hill Fire House addition.
Scott Martin, Chairman of the Great Hill Fire House Addition Committee tells the Board that the building committee has decided to recommend Jachimowski Construction’s bid for the addition project, for $364,000 that came in on 6/20/06.

ITEM # 2 – Transfers.
Motion to transfer $49,000 for the Great Hill Fire House addition project from the Fund Balance acct# 2-001-390-0000-000-000 into Great Hill Addition acct# 1-001-410-1950-530-869 for additional cost to build the fire house addition. Original budget of
$360,000 was based on 2003 material costs. Due to escalating material cost the revised budget is $409,000. To be referred to the Board of Finance.

Motion: Roberta King  Second: John Conroy
Vote: 6-yes  0-no  0-abstain  0-disqualify

ITEM # 3 – Take action on awarding contract for the Great Hill Fire House addition. Motion to award the Great Hill Fire House addition project to Jachimowski Construction for $364,000, contingent upon the Board of Finance approving the $49,000 transfer.

Motion: Yashu Putorti  Second: John Conroy
Vote: 6-Yes  0-No  0-Disqualify  0-Abstain

ITEM # 4 – Open bids for Master Economic Development Plan. Motion to table and extend until August 8, 2006.

Motion: Roberta King  Second: Yashu Putorti
Vote: 6-Yes  0-No  0-Abstain  0-Disqualify

ITEM # 5 – Waive the bidding for the replacement of sidewalks on sections of DeForest Street, Wakley Street, and First Street. A balance of approximately $40,000 from the sidewalk improvement grant is remaining and must be used before September 2006.

Motion: Yashu Putorti  Second: Frank Conroy
Vote: 6-Yes  0-No  0-Abstain  0-Disqualify

ITEM # 6 – Go out for quotes for replacement sidewalks on DeForest, Wakley, and First Streets come in by Tuesday, July 25, 2006 @ 4:30 PM and reviewed by Town Engineer for his recommendations. Motion to go out for quotes for replacement sidewalks on DeForest, Wakley, and First Streets come no later then Tuesday, July 25, 2006 @ 4:30 PM and reviewed by Town Engineer for his recommendations.

Motion: John Conroy  Second: Roberta King
Vote: 6-Yes  0-No  0-Abstain  0-Disqualify

ITEM # 7 – Request from Board of Finance Chairperson. Trish Danka, Chairperson of the Board of Finance would like the Board of Selectmen to support the Board of Finance in finding ways to save the Town money. One suggestion that she has is to stop certain police officers from taking home police vehicles and for the police to have a mileage log. The First Selectman states that it is up to the Board of Police Commissioners to take care of policies in the police department and that the police department does have mileage logs already.

Motion to adopt the Board of Finance recommendation to notify all departments that all take home vehicles not to be used for personal use, not including the Chief of Police, Fire Chief, Fire Marshal, Dog Warden, and volunteers.

Motion: Paul Roy  Second: Frank Conroy
Vote: 6-Yes  0-No  0-Abstain  0-Disqualify
Motion to have the Board of Selectmen endorse the review process underway by the Board of Finance to conserve money in the town.
Motion: John Conroy Second: Yashu Putorti
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 8 – Waive the bidding on two new Police Vehicles.
Motion to waive bidding on two new police vehicles that are in the budget for this year.
Motion: Yashu Putorti Second: Roberta King
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 9 – Approve the quotes from Crowley Ford for the two new Police Vehicles.
Motion to award the two quotes from Crowley Ford dated June 29, 2006 for two new police vehicles, one 2007 Crown Victoria Police Interceptor for $21,511.00 and the other a 2007 Ford Expedition for $25,789.00 with trade in on 2003 Crown Vic $2,300.00 and 2004 Crown Vic $3,700.00, which are in the budget for this year.
Motion: Yashu Putorti Second: Roberta King
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 10 – Approve the final 2006 LOCIP & Town funds for the road projects.
Motion to use balance of 2006 LOCIP funds as $10,000 additional paving on Mountain Road and $10,000 additional paving on Pearl Street up to Stoddard or Grand Streets.
Motion: Yashu Putorti Second: Paul Roy
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 11 – Go out to bid for center line painting.
Motion to go out to bid for line painting and parking lot painting bids to come in for the August 8, 2006.
Motion: Roberta King Second: Yashu Putorti
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 12 – Tax Refunds/Abatements.
Motion to approve tax refunds in the amount of $1,132.87.
Motion: John Conroy Second: Paul Roy
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 13 – Appointments.
Motion to appoint Richard Lazarski to the Charter Revision Commission for a 2-month term expiring on 9/1/06.
Motion: Roberta King Second: John Conroy
Vote: 4-Yes (Robert J. Koskelowski, John Conroy, Roberta King, Yashu Putorti) 2-No (Paul Roy, Frank Conroy) 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

Motion to appoint Sara Brauer to the Charter Revision Commission for a 2-month term expiring on 9/1/06.
Motion: John Conroy Second: Yashu Putorti
Vote: 4-Yes (Robert J. Koskelowski, John Conroy, Roberta King, Yashu Putorti) 2-No (Paul Roy, Frank Conroy) 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify
Motion to appoint Gary Freeman to the Charter Revision Commission for a 2-month term expiring on 9/1/06.
Motion: Yashu Putorti  Second: John Conroy
Vote: 4-Yes (Robert J. Koskelowski, John Conroy, Roberta King, Yashu Putorti)
2-No (Paul Roy, Frank Conroy) 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

Motion to appoint Walter Birdsell to the Charter Revision Commission for a 2-month term expiring on 9/1/06.
Motion: Yashu Putorti  Second: John Conroy
Vote: 4-Yes (Robert J. Koskelowski, John Conroy, Roberta King, Yashu Putorti)
2-No (Paul Roy, Frank Conroy) 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

Motion to appoint Karl Trybus to the Charter Revision Commission for a 2-month term expiring on 9/1/06.
Motion: John Conroy  Second: Yashu Putorti
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 14 – Correspondence.

14a- Check Registers.
14b- Letter from Nafis & Young to Yankee Gas referring to Town Ordinance to pave curb to curb on Skokorat Street.

ITEM # 15 – Fee schedule for Transfer Station and Street opening permits.
Motion to approve Transfer Station rate increases as presented by Dennis Rozum, Public Works Director with the following changes: add de-humidifiers next to air conditioners and concerning Motor Oil change $1.00 per gallon to $1.00 per visit up to 5 gallons.
Motion: John Conroy  Second: Frank Conroy
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

Motion to approve Road Opening Permit fee change from $15.00 to $50.00.
Motion: Roberta King  Second: Frank Conroy
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 16 – Charter Resolutions.
Motion to approve the following two Charter Resolutions:
Resolution of the Board of Selectmen Tuesday, July 11, 2006
Be it hereby resolved that the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Seymour hereby initiates a Charter Revision Commission process in the Town of Seymour and to implement said Charter Revision Commission consisting of five members, not more than one-third who hold any other public office and no more than a bare majority from any political party.
The Board of Selectmen further orders the Charter Revision Commission to submit a final report of its recommendation for revision to the Seymour Town Charter to the Board of Selectmen on or before September 1, 2006. The Charter Revision Commission shall terminate upon acceptance or rejection of its final report by the Board of Selectmen.
Resolution of the Board of Selectmen Tuesday, July 11, 2006

Be it hereby resolved that the Seymour Board of Selectmen formed a Charter Revision Commission on July 11, 2006 for the purpose of proposing revisions to the Town Charter and to implement said charter revision process, hereby appoints the following electors to serve as member of said Charter Revision Commission: Richard Lazarski (R), Sara Brauer (R), Gary Freeman (U), Walter Birdsell (D), and Karl Trybus (D).

Motion: John Conroy  Second: Roberta King
Vote: 6-Yes  0-No  0-Abstain  0-Disqualify

The Charter Revision Commission will be reviewing parts of the Annual Town Meeting Section in the Charter and possibly some other sections.

ITEM # 17 – Executive Session (Personnel, Contract Negotiations, Pending Litigation)
None at this time.

ITEM # 18 – Public Comment.
No Action Taken.

Motion to rescind motion to appoint Richard Lazarski to the Charter Revision Commission.
Motion: Roberta King  Second: John Conroy
Vote: 6-Yes  0-No  0-Abstain  0-Disqualify
Motion to appoint Richard Lazarski to the Charter Revision Commission for a 2-month term expiring on 9/1/06.
Motion: Roberta King  Second: John Conroy
Vote: 4-Yes (Robert J. Koskelowski, John Conroy, Roberta King, Yashu Putorti) 2-No (Paul Roy, Frank Conroy) 0-Abstain  0-Disqualify

Motion to rescind motion to appoint Sara Brauer to the Charter Revision Commission.
Motion: John Conroy  Second: Yashu Putorti
Vote: 6-Yes  0-No  0-Abstain  0-Disqualify
Motion to appoint Sara Brauer to the Charter Revision Commission for a 2-month term expiring on 9/1/06.
Motion: John Conroy  Second: Yashu Putorti
Vote: 4-Yes (Robert J. Koskelowski, John Conroy, Roberta King, Yashu Putorti) 2-No (Paul Roy, Frank Conroy) 0-Abstain  0-Disqualify

Motion to rescind motion to appoint Gary Freeman to the Charter Revision Commission.
Motion: Yashu Putorti  Second: John Conroy
Vote: 6-Yes  0-No  0-Abstain  0-Disqualify
Motion to appoint Gary Freeman to the Charter Revision Commission for a 2-month term expiring on 9/1/06.
Motion: Yashu Putorti  Second: John Conroy
Vote: 4-Yes (Robert J. Koskelowski, John Conroy, Roberta King, Yashu Putorti) 2-No (Paul Roy, Frank Conroy) 0-Abstain  0-Disqualify
Motion to rescind motion to appoint Walter Birdsell to the Charter Revision Commission.
Motion: Yashu Putorti  Second: John Conroy
Vote: 6-Yes  0-No  0-Abstain  0-Disqualify

Motion to appoint Walter Birdsell to the Charter Revision Commission for a 2-month term expiring on 9/1/06.
Motion: Yashu Putorti  Second: John Conroy
Vote: 4-Yes (Robert J. Koskelowski, John Conroy, Roberta King, Yashu Putorti)  2-No (Paul Roy, Frank Conroy)  0-Abstain  0-Disqualify

Motion to rescind motion to appoint Karl Trybus to the Charter Revision Commission.
Motion: John Conroy  Second: Yashu Putorti
Vote: 6-Yes  0-No  0-Abstain  0-Disqualify

Motion to appoint Karl Trybus to the Charter Revision Commission for a 2-month term expiring on 9/1/06.
Motion: John Conroy  Second: Yashu Putorti
Vote: 6-Yes  0-No  0-Abstain  0-Disqualify

ITEM # 19 – Adjournment.
Motion to adjourn @ 9:00 PM.
Motion: John Conroy  Second: Yashu Putorti
Vote: 6-Yes  0-No  0-Abstain  0-Disqualify

Respectfully submitted by,  Attested to:

Deirdre Caruso,  Robert J. Koskelowski,
Recording Secretary  First Selectman