MINUTES
Board of Selectmen Meeting
Wednesday, December 21, 2005 @ 7:30 PM
Norma Drummer Room/Seymour Town Hall


Others present: Bob Potash, Carmelita Potash, Jeanne Loda, Frank Loda, John Leon, Michele Pavlik, Colleen Fries, Mike Ouellette, Alfred Yagovane, Bill Kovaes, Kurt Miller, and Melanie Kalako.

- Everyone Saluted the Flag and Stated the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion to have the camera’s set up in the back of the room so they are inconspicuous and do not disturb the proceedings.
Motion: Yashu Putorti  
Vote: Patrick Lombardi

Motion to withdraw the motion to have the camera’s set up in the back of the room so they are inconspicuous and do not disturb the proceedings.
Motion: Yashu Putorti  
Vote: Patrick Lombardi

Motion to move to Item # 1 Adopt rules for Board of Selectmen meetings.
Motion: Patrick Lombardi  Second: Yashu Putorti
Vote: 7-Yes  0-No  0-Abstain  0-Disqualify

ITEM # 1 – Adopt rules for Board of Selectmen meetings.
Motion to have all video camera’s set up in the back of the room so they will be inconspicuous and not disruptive to the meetings per State Statute FOI Sec.1-226. (a,b,c).
Motion: Yashu Putorti  Second: Patrick Lombardi
Vote: 5-Yes (Robert J. Koskelowski, Patrick Lombardi, John Conroy, Roberta King, Yashu Putorti)  2-No (Paul Roy, Frank Conroy)  0-Abstain  0-Disqualify

Motion that during the public comment portion of the meeting residents that wish to speak can say whether or not they would like to be video taped and the photographer may comply with their decision.
Motion: Patrick Lombardi  Second: Frank Conroy
Vote: 7-Yes  0-No  0-Abstain  0-Disqualify

Recess at 7:51 PM.
Out of recess at 7:53 PM.
Motion that if a meeting is video taped to be shown on Public Access Television/Telemedia, it be shown from the beginning of the meeting until the time slot has finished and there may be a disclaimer if the tape is edited in any way notifying the viewers that the meeting was not shown in its entirety and was edited.

Motion: John Conroy  Second: Patrick Lombardi
Vote: 5-Yes (Robert J. Koskelowski, Patrick Lombardi, John Conroy, Roberta King, Yashu Putorti)  2-No (Paul Roy, Frank Conroy)  0-Abstain  0-Disqualify

Motion to go back in order on the Agenda.

Motion: John Conroy  Second: Roberta King
Vote: 7-Yes  0-No  0-Abstain  0-Disqualify

Motion to approve Minutes from the Board of Selectmen meeting on 12/6/05.

Motion: Yashu Putorti  Second: John Conroy
Vote: 7-Yes  0-No  0-Abstain  0-Disqualify

First Selectman’s Report:
- The First Selectman gives his concerns about the information in the Agenda packets that are sent out to the Selectmen before the meetings being given to reporters and others. The information is not public information until it is discussed at the meeting.
- Very big snow storm last Friday and the First Selectman were out with the plows all day and Public Works did a great job. It was difficult to plow the downtown area due to all of the vehicles parking on the streets. The storm did not stop until 2:00 PM.

Motion to place on the table snow parking ban for the downtown area.

Motion: Roberta King  Second: Patrick Lombardi
Vote: 7-Yes  0-No  0-Abstain  0-Disqualify

Motion to authorize the Board of Selectmen to ask that the Board of Police Commissioners to adopt day time snow parking ban in the downtown area.

Motion: John Conroy  Second: Patrick Lombardi
Vote: 7-Yes  0-No  0-Abstain  0-Disqualify

ITEM # 2 – 2006-2007 Budget.
Selectman John Conroy Jr. submitted a preliminary expenditures and revenue budget to the Board of Selectmen solely for discussion and to get a head start on the upcoming year’s budget. A suggestion was made to form a possible Task Force with members of the Board of Selectmen, Board of Education, and Board of Finance to work on a plan for the upcoming loss of the Oxford students.

ITEM # 3 – Appointments.
Motion to appoint Patrick Lombardi as Deputy First Selectman for a 2-year term expiring on 12/3/07.
Motion: Yashu Putorti  Second: John Conroy
Vote: 6-Yes (Robert J. Koskelowski, John Conroy, Roberta King, Yashu Putorti, Paul Roy, Frank Conroy)  0-No  1-Abstain (Patrick Lombardi)  0-Disqualify

Motion to appoint Robert Pagliaro to the Board of Public Works for a 2-year term expiring on 12/3/07.
Motion: Patrick Lombardi  Second: Yashu Putorti
Vote: 7-Yes  0-No  0-Abstain  0-Disqualify

Motion to appoint Steve Chucta to the WPCA for a 4-year term expiring on 12/7/09.
Motion: Yashu Putorti  Second: John Conroy
Vote: 7-Yes  0-No  0-Abstain  0-Disqualify

Motion to appoint Mike Kearney as a Fire Commissioner (At Large) for a 3-Year term expiring 11/1/08.
Motion: Roberta King  Second: Patrick Lombardi
Vote: 7-Yes  0-No  0-Abstain  0-Disqualify

Motion to appoint Edward Willis as a Fire Commissioner for a 2-year term expiring on 12/03/07.
Motion: Patrick Lombardi  Second: Roberta King
Vote: 7-Yes  0-No  0-Abstain  0-Disqualify

Motion to appoint Joe LaRovera as Dog Warden for a 1-year term expiring on 12/31/06.
Motion: Yashu Putorti  Second: John Conroy
Vote: 7-Yes  0-No  0-Abstain  0-Disqualify

Motion to appoint Patrick Knott to the Board of Public Works for a 2-year term expiring on 12/3/07.
Motion: Paul Roy  Second: Patrick Lombardi
Vote: 7-Yes  0-No  0-Abstain  0-Disqualify

ITEM # 4 – Transfers.
A corrected transfer that was approved at the 12/6/05 Board of Selectmen meeting for $14,320.00 for emergency asbestos removal at the 4 Wakeley Street building. Taken from Repairs and Maintenance acct # L-001-227-0071-000-000 and into Repairs to 4 Wakeley Street Building acct # 1-001-410-1950-530-861.

ITEM # 5 – Tax Refunds/Abatements.
Motion to approve tax refunds of $88.43.
Motion: Patrick Lombardi  Second: Roberta King
Vote: 7-Yes  0-No  0-Abstain  0-Disqualify

ITEM # 6 – Correspondence.
- Check Registers.
- Town Counsel made comments on the Town’s legal situation regarding the 6.2 million dollar verdict. He states that appellate attorneys have been hired to make recommendations about appealing and that he is on top of this case. He also requests that people stop making comments about this case because it is not in the best interest of the Town.

ITEM # 7 – Other Business.
None at this time.

ITEM # 8 – Executive Session (Pending Litigation, Personnel, Contract Negotiations)
None at this time.

ITEM # 9 – Public Comment.
No Action Taken.

ITEM # 10 – Adjournment.
Motion to adjourn at 9:10 PM.
Motion: Patrick Lombardi Second: Yashu Putorti
Vote: 7-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

Submitted by, Attested to:

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