Board of Selectmen Town Office Annex March 5, 2012 Special Meeting Minutes

Selectmen Present: Mark Walter; John Blaschik, Emmett Lyman

Also Present: C. Varricchio and M. Pear

1. First Selectman Walter called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm and the attendees said the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Bid Award—Heating Oil and Diesel: Mr. Walter explained that the fuel bids came in today and that whatever day we lock in our gallons the price would be based on that day's Nymex. If we were to lock today we would be looking at approximately \$3.3919/gallon for fuel oil and \$3.4947/gallon for diesel at a fixed rate. It was noted that we currently are paying \$3.2584/gallon for fuel oil and \$3.3785/gallon for diesel. The board discussed the best options for the town.

Motion made by Mr. Walter, seconded by Mr. Lyman, to finalize prices with the bidder, East River Energy, for #2 heating oil and diesel fuel for the period of July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013, and to authorize the First Selectman to enter into said agreement on behalf of the Town.

3. General Budget Review Workshop:

Fire Department Budget:

Mr. Pear reviewed the Fire Department budget with the Selectmen. It was noted that the funds requested for fire ponds were removed from the First Selectman's proposed budget. Mr. Walter stated that the fire pond funds have historically not been used and that when there is a need for fire pond funding the Fire Department can pursue funding. There was discussion regarding mapping each fire pond. The paid firefighter salary line has increase to provide for increased hours.

Fire Marshal Budget:

Mr. Blaschik stated that Fire Marshal Don Angersola is in the process of scheduling inspections of three family homes. There was discussion with regard to the request for additional funding for Deputies and for equipment. The First Selectman's budget had removed the requested increase of \$3,500 for the Deputies. It was the consensus of the Board to increase that line item by \$1,750 and to decrease the equipment line by \$1,750. There was discussion regarding evaluating fees that may be charged by the Fire Marshal.

There was discussion regarding the Fire Department capital and the possibility of combining three trucks into one truck and eliminating the truck from the 2012-2013 budget request. It was noted that the request for renovations for the Fire Department were removed from the budget by the First Selectman.

The revenues, capital budget and other budgetary funds were reviewed.

Motion was made by Mr. Walter to adjourn at 3:15 pm. Mr. Lyman seconded the motion.

Tape: None Respectfully submitted,

Emmett Lyman, Secretary