Selectmen Present: Janice Mulherin, John Fucci, Mark Andrew
Administrative Assistant: Anne Dow

The meeting was opened at 7:00 p.m.

**Minutes:** The minutes of 11/22/2010 were accepted as written.

**Selectmen’s Issues**

**Groton Wind** – The Board finalized their written response to Jim Buttolph’s November 18, 2010 e-mail.

**Fire Department**

- **Extracation Equipment** – The Board is requesting that the fire commissioners get additional estimates for the equipment from at least two other vendors for both new and demo units. Anne will pass the request on to the commissioners.
- **Calendar Year/Stipend** – The Board would like to know if the commissioners would consider changing the firefighters’ “stipend year” to December through November. Anne will ask the commissioners.

**Appointments**

**7:15** Linda Whitcomb, Town Clerk/Tax Collector went over her proposed budget with the Board. She reported that the first 2010 tax warrant was 92% collected, which is right on schedule with past years. The final 2010 tax warrant is approximately 33% collected with a week until due date.

**7:30** Frank Simpson, Road Agent met with the Board and reviewed the proposed Highway budget. A meeting will be scheduled with the Road Committee December 9 to discuss road improvements for 2011 as well as other highway business.

**8:00** Privilege of the Floor – no public present

**Administrative**

**Furnace maintenance** – A technician from Fred Fuller made a service call today at Anne’s request. The furnace in the town office building is not working properly. The technician estimated the necessary repairs to be $500. He suggested the Board may want to consider updating the system in the spring. He will submit a quote for the update. The Board voted to have the necessary repairs done now on the furnace. Anne will contact them tomorrow to schedule an appointment.

**Street Lights** – Janice will schedule a meeting with the street light committee in the near future.
Warren-Wentworth Ambulance Service – Brian Clark called today to report that they will be staffing their station 24-7. Their attorney is away on vacation; upon his return he will review town counsel’s recommended changes to the contract. WWAS will be contacted when the contract is ready to sign.

Public Computer – A computer has been set up in the meeting room for the public to access the tax cards. When requested, copies of tax cards can be printed in the Selectmen’s Office for $1.00 per page.

Longyear/Tax Exemption – The Board has not received a response from the Longyear Foundation on the proposed Payment in Lieu of Taxes agreement they forwarded to them in October; another letter has been sent asking for a response.

Signed: Checks; Letters– J. Buttolph; Wentworth Selectmen-Glass Crusher;

Upcoming:

11/30 Planning Board meeting
12/06 Budgets – Cemeteries; Administrative
12/09 Road Committee @ 7:00
12/13 Selectmen’s meeting
12/14 Planning Board meeting – last one of the year

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne B. Dow
Administrative Assistant