Selectmen present: Cheryl Lewis, Janice Mulherin, Mark Andrew
Administrative Assistant: Anne Dow

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

MINUTES: The minutes of 4/11/11 were accepted as corrected.

Tax Deeding – Last week the Board voted to accept deeds on two separate properties. Linda reported that before the paperwork was completed the taxes were paid up on both properties.

SELECTMEN’S ISSUES

USFS Parking Area – The Board reviewed the Forest Service’s e-mail response to the recent flooding of the area. Janice reported that she walked the area with a USFS engineering technician last week and discussed the specific areas of concern.

Backwoods Family Campground/Septic System Status – There has been no response from the owners to the request from the Selectmen’s office for a report on the septic system and change in driveway use. Anne will continue to attempt to contact them as the opening date of the campgrounds has been advertised as May 6th.

Street Light/School Street – The office was contacted by B.G. King of the NH Electric Coop regarding a street light located on School Street. The Coop will be conducting system improvements which include updating poles and wires along School Street, parts of the New England Fellowship, Riverbrook Camping Area and the end of Groton Hollow Road beginning the end of May. During the prep work she received several complaints about a specific pole on School Street. Ms. King contacted the office and asked what the Board would like to do with the pole. All three Board members went to the site earlier today and reviewed the pole and surrounding area. The Board agreed to eliminate the pole altogether. The Board did not feel that by doing so, any safety issues would be compromised. Anne will contact Ms. King with the Board’s decision.

Fire Department/Budget Items – The Board would like to meet with the Fire Commissioners and Chief to discuss some budget items, specifically the building maintenance for the Depot Street station. They would like to meet with them next week.

Groton Wind – Cheryl reported that the official notification of the SEC’s decision is scheduled for April 26th. There are conditions attached to the approval; two of those conditions involve the town 1) setting up an emergency incident plan for the Groton Hollow Road residents and 2) some involvement with providing alternative transportation for residents to alleviate some inconvenience during delivery of oversize equipment.

Current Use – Janice reported that Nory Parr will be helping her with part of the update she is currently working on.
APPOINTMENTS

7:30 – Bill Taffe, Emergency Management Director, met with the Board to notify them that the Rumney Hazard Mitigation Plan is ready for adoption. A public hearing is needed to officially adopt the document. Anne will post the hearing for next week.

Warren/Wentworth Ambulance Service will be contacted to set up a meeting with the Board and EMS for the first quarterly meeting under the new contract with them.

Comstar Write-off policy was discussed with Mr. Taffe.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR – None

ADMINISTRATIVE

Mow bids are due next week and will opened at the Selectmen’s meeting May 2.

Two Veteran’s Credits and one Elderly Exemption were reviewed the granted by the Board.

Jake Brakes – Letters will be sent to the owners of the local mills as well as Chris Clark, who runs a trucking service out of the “old” Hawkensen business, requesting that they remind their truckers to be conscientious of the residential areas in town when using “jake brakes”. The Board will check with the DOT about putting up several signs in town along the roads with a similar message.

Correspondence has been received from two parties on Groton Hollow Road regarding a possible business starting up on that road.

CNP will begin doing the annual pick-ups in town beginning this week.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne B. Dow
Administrative Assistant

SIGNED: Checks; PA-29’s – Elderly Exemption (1), Vet Credits (2); 2010 Audit Representation letter; Extrication Equipment Grant paperwork;

UPCOMING: 4/26 Planning Board
4/27 Rep from Charlie Bass’s office on hand/Town Office 8:00 – 9:00