Selectmen's Meeting December 5, 2005

The Selectmen met for their weekly meeting at 7 p.m. Present were Selectmen Charles Cheney, Jon Homer, Charles Wheeler, Donald Johnson, Jr. and James McGarr. The Board spent the first half hour reviewing and signing the manifest. They also approved two new residents, signed an Intent to Build and an Intent to Cut and a Land Use Penalty Form and warrant.

At 7:30 p.m. the Board met with architect Michael Piazza. Mike brought along drawings of his concept of the future Town Office building. He also wanted to know what progress the Board was making on acquiring a piece of land. Selectman Wheeler has been in touch with the owner, but he has been out of Town for the past few weeks. Mike said that he is able to work with the 4 acres that is being discussed, but if it were possible, 6 acres would be better. What Mike proposes to go on this site is the Town Office and the Fire Station. The existing Fire Station would be converted to the Highway Garage, and the existing Police Building would have an addition constructed on it. He would also use the same type of windows for the Fire Station as on the Town Office so these items could be bought in bulk and help keep costs down, and have similar designs on each building. The Board and Mike had some discussion as far as traffic concerns for the fire trucks coming in and out of Vintineer Road onto Route 49. A traffic study would mostly likely have to be conducted, and some kind of light put there which the Fire trucks could control when they come out of the road. Police Chief Warn, who was present at the meeting, was guestioned as to what his guess was the number of cars that go up and down the road during "peak" season. Chief Warn indicated that it was only a guess, but he thought that it could be up to 8,000 vehicles in peak season.

The Board had a few minutes before their next appointment so they decided to start reviewing their weekly correspondence. Ann Marie had received an email from Sharon Davis about requesting that the Selectmen consider leaving the gates to the Cemetery opened until Christmas. She indicated that many people like to put some kind of holiday flowers on the graves, and it is a long walk in the cold from the road to the grave, and a lot of the people who go into the Cemetery are elderly, and it is a hardship for them to try and make their way to their loved one's site. The Board felt that this would be acceptable, and ask Ann Marie to convey this request to Woodrow Timson, the Cemetery Sexton. Ann Marie advised the Board that she had received a memorandum from the Library Trustees advising her that the Librarian regular house will increase from 27 to 31 hours a week. The Board had some concerns about this as even though the Librarian was not a Town employee, under our personnel policies, she would be entitled to benefits, and they want to see if the Trustees are planning on adding these to their budget next year. They requested that Ann Marie ask them to come in and discuss this issue.

At this point in time, Mr. Louis Stivali came in for his appointment with the

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Board. Also accompanying him were his neighbors from Kati A Lane, Anthony and John Ricciotti. All three men were concerned about the status of their road. At Town Meeting in March, the road was accepted as a Town Road once it met the Town Road Specifications as determined by the Selectmen. The Selectmen had gone out and looked at the road, and there was some work he needed to do on it, plus the road had to be paved. Mr. Hemingway had not understood that paving was part of the specs, and now was asking the people on the road to pay for this to be done. The owners felt that they have been paying for him to maintain the road, and that it is his responsibility to pave the road, not theirs. The Board agreed, and indicated the paving is up to the discretion of the Selectmen, and they felt that they needed to have the developers do this rather than ask the taxpayers to assume the burden from the very beginning. They also advised the property owners that Rosy Lane and Rosy Lane Extension had been approved prior to the paving requirements. The property owners wanted to know if the subdivision regulations require the developer to bring the road to Town specs. The Board indicated that there was nothing which indicated that a road had to become a Town Road. In most cases, a homeownner's association is set up to cover the maintenance of the road. The Selectmen suggested that they could speak with the Planning Board about how they determine whether or not to advise a developer to seek a Letter of Credit or bond. Ann Marie was requested to ask May to have the minutes and plans from this subdivision for tomorrow night's Planning Board, and keep the Board informed as to how they make out. Selectman McGarr suggested that they may want to investigate the betterment process for having the road paved if they are not successful with getting the developer to do it.

At 8:30 p.m. Sidney Spill from Cider Mill Drive came in to complain about the condition of Beech Hill Road on Sunday morning. The road turned icy, and he was involved in an accident. He felt that the Road Agent should have been out and sanded the road. The Board listened to his concerns. After he left, Chief Warn explained that his officer was out on an untimely death call, and was not sure when or what time the Road Agent may have been called. Ann Marie indicated that she had spoken to Dick, and he had just gotten in when he got a call from the PD, and it took him about 15 minutes to load his truck and go out and sand. He indicated that the sun had come out for a short time, and melted that section of the hill just enough to make it icy. Chief Warn indicated that he felt that the Highway crew was doing an excellent job, and he had no complaints with how they were doing their job.

Chief Warn then requested a Non Public Session under RSA 91-A:3, II (b) for a Personnel Matter. Selectman Wheeler made a motion to go into Non Public under this RSA, and Selectman Cheney seconded it, and it was voted in the affirmative by all. When the Board came out of Non Public, they voted to seal these minutes with a motion from Selectman Homer, and seconded by Selectman Wheeler, and voted in the affirmative by all.

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The minutes of the November 28th meeting were reviewed and approved as written with a motion from Selectmen Wheeler, and seconded by Selectman Homer. and voted in the affirmative by all.

Selectman Wheeler asked Selectman Cheney if he GMI had come to look at Summit Drive yet. Selectman Cheney indicated that he had called Greg Minor twice, but he has not been able to set a time to come yet. Ann Marie advised the Board that Road Agent Dick Giehl had spoken to Beaugard Equipment, and they are going to be sending us a block heater for the loader free of charge. Selectman McGarr commented that Campton should be divided into two Towns as the west side and the east side of Town have two different philosophies as to how things should be done. The issue of health insurance was discussed again as Ann Marie wanted the Board to be aware that last week when she had discussed the insurance she had explained about the co-pay going up, but had not realized that there would be a deductible for hospitalization of \$500.00 a person and previously we had none. She wanted the Board to be aware of this. After some discussion