

# March 4, 2010

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*Minutes are subject to the approval of the Board of Selectmen.*

**Present:**

First Selectman Mark E. Lyon, Selectmen Nicholas N. Solley.

Public: Chris Charles, Mark Showalter, Donald Etherington, Duncan Woodruff, and Adam Woodruff.

Bidders: Walt Little, Firematic; Mark Wnuk, Greenwood Emergency Vehicle; Eric Epstein, Gowans-Knight.

**Call to Order:**

First Selectman Lyon called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

**Approval of Minutes:**

Motion:

To approve the minutes of the February 18, 2010 Regular Meeting and the February 25, 2010 Special Meeting of the Board of Selectmen.

By Mark Lyon, seconded by Nick Solley and unanimously approved.

**Communications:** None.

**Appointments/Resignations:** None.

**First Selectman's Report:**

Mark Lyon reported:

\* Telecommunications Tower:

On Tuesday, 3/2, Verizon did a test of the proposed site for a tower on the Town's property behind the upper highway garage on Blackville Road. Although no formal report has yet been generated it appeared to be a favorable site. The Board of Selectmen has asked Kent and Roxbury for input on their agreements for towers in their respective towns. Town Counsel would review any agreement that Washington may make. Once a technical report is received; a lease agreement will be done, followed by a public information meeting.

\* Bee Brook Road Bridge:

The DOT has delivered their final design plans for the reconstruction of the bridge by the entrance to Hidden Valley. They are in the Selectmen's Office for anyone who would like to review them.

Construction would begin in the spring/summer of 2011. The completed project will include a pedestrian bridge.

\* Route 45, New Preston/Retaining Wall:

Plans for this project have been received and are in the Town Clerk's office for review. The posted detour for this project will be Route 341 – Route 202. Construction is expected to begin late winter 2011 in hopes of being completed by Memorial Day 2011.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

\* Opening Bids for Fire Apparatus Body:

The following bids were received:

Firematic, Rocky Hill, CT	\$219,700.00
Greenwood Emergency Vehicles, No Attleboro, MA	\$259,877.00
Gowans-Knight, Watertown, CT	\$232,600.00

Note: 5 Star Fire, East Hartford, CT wrote stating their inability to bid on this project but requested they remain on our bidders list. Bids were turned over to the Fire Department's Truck Committee and will be awarded at the March 18, 2010 meeting of the Board of Selectmen.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

\* Signing of contract with New Milford Health Department:

Mark explained that the contract is the same as previous year with no increase in basic fees. Should a part-time sanitarian be required for restaurant inspections their may be an additional charge. At present this service is covered within the hours specified in the contract.

Motion:

To sign the Health Department Agreement with New Milford for the period July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2011.  
By Mark Lyon, seconded by Nick Solley and unanimously approved.

\* Signing of agreement with Steep Rock/Judea Garden:

Judea Garden will be in its second season at the Macricostas Preserve. The Town of Washington will continue to provide the insurance for volunteers working on Steep Rock land. Town Counsel reviewed the agreement last year and there are no changes.

Motion:

To sign the agreement for the continuation of Judea Garden on Steep Rock land with insurance provided by the Town of Washington.  
By Mark Lyon, seconded by Nick Solley and unanimously approved.

**Visitors:** None.

**Adjournment:**

Motion:

To adjourn the meeting at 5:50 p.m. as there was no further business for discussion.  
By Nick Solley, seconded by Mark Lyon and unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mary Anne Greene  
Selectmen's Secretary