

• June 3, 2004

Present: First Selectman Richard Sears, Selectmen Nicholas Solley and Harry Wyant.
Press: John Addyman - Voices
Visitor: Mark Lyon

Call to Order: First Selectman Sears called the meeting to order at 4:31p.m.

Motion: To include subsequent business not already on the Agenda. By Dick Sears, seconded by Nick Solley and unanimously approved.

Minutes: Motion: To approve the minutes of the Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting held on May 20, 2004. By Harry Wyant, seconded by Nick Solley and unanimously approved.

Visitors: None.

Communications: None.

Appointments/Resignations: None.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

• **Policy regarding "Physical Qualifications for Highway Employees"** First Selectman Sears read the proposed policy to be added to the personnel policy if approved. In summary, it states that the Highway employees must be examined and certified as physically qualified in accordance with the schedule of health examinations in the Town's health insurance plan. New employees shall submit a certificate within 60 days of hire showing a medical examination within the prior 24 months. **Motion:** To approve the Policy regarding Physical Qualifications for Highway Employees and to include in the Town's Personnel Policy (to take effect July 1, 2004). By Dick Sears, seconded by Harry Wyant and unanimously approved.

• **Homeland Security Grant Resolution:** Dick explained that the Northwest Council of Governments and Rocky Tomlinson (Emergency Management Coordinator) have recommended the Town pass this resolution. **Motion:** To approve: "Resolved: That First Selectman Richard C. Sears be empowered to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding on behalf of the Town of Washington authorizing the State Administrative Agency (SAA) to act as the agent of the Town of Washington and allow the SAA to retain and administer such grant funds on behalf of the Town of Washington." By Dick Sears, seconded by Nick Solley and unanimously approved.

• **Dump Truck Bid: Motion:** To extend an Invitation to Bid for a 2005 six-wheel heavy duty dump truck, delivered complete with a flow and dump body and plow hitch. To include the trade-in of a 1993 International Model 2554 dump truck. Bids are due by 4:00p.m. on June 17, 2004. By Nick Solley, seconded by Harry Wyant and unanimously approved.

• **Recommending a portion of Old Bee Brook Road be discontinued.** As there was some confusion on the exact descriptions of the portion of roads, action on this particular item was tabled until it could be clarified. **Motion:** Any roads, or portions of roads, that the Highway Discontinuance Committee recommends for discontinuance, should present a full description to the Board of Selectmen for discussion prior to proceeding further. By Nick Solley, seconded by Harry Wyant and unanimously approved.

approved. Discussion followed regarding the process. The Selectmen recommended: 1) the Highway Discontinuance Committee make recommendations to their own committee for discussion; 2) a notification to and/or an informational meeting with adjoining property owners take place; 3) submission of the recommendation to the Board of Selectmen; 4) submission of the recommendation (if approved by the Selectmen) to the Planning Commission; and 5) submission of the recommendation (if approved by Planning) to a Town Meeting.

- **Washington Volunteer Fire Department "Rescue 2" Bid:** **Motion:** To extend an Invitation to Bid for a new aluminum 4-door heavy duty custom fire apparatus chassis with an aluminum rescue body build expressly for fire service. Bids are due by 4:00p.m. on July 1, 2004. By Nick Solley, seconded by Dick Sears and unanimously approved.

- **Sale of 1993 Senior Van:** **Motion:** To extend an Invitation to Bid for the sale of the Town's 1993 Ford/Collins Civitran 10-passenger bus used for Senior transportation. By Nick Solley, seconded by Harry Wyant and unanimously approved.

Motion: To enter into Executive Session at 4:58p.m. By Dick Sears, seconded by Harry Wyant and unanimously approved.

Adjournment: To adjourn the meeting at 5:10p.m. as there was no further business after coming out of Executive Session. By Nick Solley, seconded by Harry Wyant and unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Anne Greene
Selectmen's Secretary