

## July 2, 2002

The meeting was called to order by First Selectman Luckey at 4:35p.m.

**Minutes:** The minutes of the 6/20/02 meeting were unanimously approved.

**Visitors: Sunset Lane-Mr. and Mrs. DeSimone:** Submitted photographs of the intersection of Sunset Lane and Upper Church Hill Road. Concerned about not being able to clearly see cars coming out of Sunset Lane when approaching it from Upper Church Hill. In the winter there is not the problem there is in the summer due to the vegetation. Mr. Wyant suggested cutting down the vegetation to make better sight line. Mr. DeSimone also mentioned cars coming too fast - not adhering to the speed limit. Dangerous for walkers. Asking for a STOP sign to be put on Upper Church Hill Road. Stop line has recently been painted on Sunset Lane but when stopped there cannot see cars coming from Washington end of Upper Church Hill. Mr. Solley asked if they would be willing to have us try to make the sight line better by cutting back vegetation and boulder, etc. before installing a STOP sign. UPS and Postman have also voiced concern about this intersection. Mr. Chapin installed a Please Slow Down sign but not working as the speed limit is still 30 mph. Mrs. Luckey suggested the Selectmen go back to the sight to review. Mr. Solley and Mr. Wyant agreed to re-visit the issue.

**Fire Department Capital Plan - Mark Lyon:** Wanted to keep Selectmen up-dated on cost of replacement of air packs which have gone up since put into the Fire Department's capital plan several years ago. This year they were able to keep within the budget figure. Mr. Lyon concerned with extra air bottles that are needed, the amount put in the budget may not be enough for next year. Fire Department received a rebate from insurance company for refurbishing of Engine #5 - total cost was \$45,000 as opposed to the \$50,000 budgeted. Mr. Solley asked if premiums would be going up due to accident with engine #5. Mr. Lyon said no. Engine #3 also needs refurbishing (2003-2004). Fire Department has funds to do this. Fire Department purchased this truck and has taken care of up-grading it in the past. Fire Department also purchased RESCUE 1 truck in mid 90's - carries a great deal of equipment. Feels they need to get a newer equipped, up-dated truck for this purpose in 2004-2005 (preliminary planning). LCD changing frequencies - new radios recently purchased are capable of handling this - some of older radios may need to be replaced. In 2006-2007 International Tanker (Engine #7) is due for replacement. Copy of Washington Fire Department's 5 Year Capital Plan is attached to minutes in Selectmen's Office.

**Communications:** Mrs. Luckey received letter from the State regarding property on East Shore Road for sale. Mr. Solley explained the situation as he knows it. It is dealing with the Ingrassia property on East Shore Road - they want to move the barn. State DOT has requested barn be moved back from the road edge. State right-of-way. Sight line will be improved by state's request. Small piece of land 200' x 10' for sale by State as a result of moving barn. Selectmen feel would make no sense for the Town to purchase. Ingrassia's lawyer is Jim Kelly - suggestion made to contact him to review letter and determine if any reason Town should get involved. Mrs. Luckey will do.

### **New Business:**

**Transfer Station:** Charlie Showalter would like a new sign regarding the fees at the Transfer Station. Mr. Wyant will speak with Charlie to find out just what he feels he needs to make fee schedule clear to residents. Action Signs has made signs for us before will contact them when know what we want to sign.

**David Klemm benches:** David Klemm has contacted Selectmen's Office regarding possibility of donating benches to Town to be placed "wherever" we feel appropriate. He has also contacted Steep Rock. Selectmen felt that perhaps should be referred to Parks and Rec Commission to determine where

they should be placed. Suggested places - by firehouse on Bee Brook, behind Parks Drug. Possibly contact First Congregational Church to find out where they purchased their benches.

**Hemlock Trees:** Two trees behind Town hall have aphids - should be sprayed by licensed sprayer - Bill Pollock, Gary Lord or Phil Lovell. Will get done.

**South Street Crosswalk:** Resident across from Shepaug School feels there should be a cross walk from her house (apartments) to school. Selectmen felt this should not be done. Mr. Wyant contacted by a resident on the Green regarding putting cross walk from Parsonage Lane to Kirby and from Library to Church. Mrs. Luckey will call DOT.

**Adjournment:** Unanimously approved to adjourn meeting at 5:30p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mary Anne Greene  
Selectmen's Secretary