MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
LISBON TOWN HALL
MONDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2011
7:00 P.M.

#### 1. Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen was called to order by Thomas Sparkman, First Selectman, at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

Thomas W. Sparkman, Robert T. Browne, Sr., John D. Gwiazdowski

OTHERS PRESENT:

Student Ambassadors: Madeline Azavedo, Katie Kelly, Mia Whittaker

### 2. Previous Minutes:

a. 11/28/2011 Reg. Mtg.

A motion was made by R. Browne, seconded by J. Gwiazdowski, to accept the previous minutes as presented.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED

### 3. Correspondence

- 1. Notices, 11/29/11 & 12/6/11, United States Postal Service, Re: Change in Mail Verification Site (to 340 Main St., Norwich)
  - 2. Flyer, State Senator Edith Prague, Re: Protecting the Jobs We Have, Creating the Jobs We Need
  - 3. Print-out from the Town Clerk of elected position vacancies
  - 4. Letter-of-Interest, Ben Hull, III, Re: Planning and Zoning Commission Appointment

## 4. Public Comment - None

#### 5. Old Business

- a. LVFD Space Needs Assessment No Update
- Blissville Pond Drawdown Summary
   Mr. Sparkman discussed an Email memo from William Stevenson, President, Lycott Environmental,
   Inc., 12/5/11, regarding the drawdown concept.
- c. Lisbon Senior Center Code of Conduct
   Letter, Leonora J. Szruba, Chair., Commission on Aging, 12/8/11, Re: COA Approved Code of Conduct (as amended by Town Counsel)
   A motion was made by R. Browne, seconded by J. Gwiazdowski, to approve the Code of Conduct for the Lisbon Senior Center.

  VOTE: UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED
- d. Chevrolet Suburban Bid Results Update
   Bid Opening-1985 Chevy Suburban, 12/2/11: \$510-E. Passmore; \$425-G. Bouchard; \$125-R. Hoyt;
   \$684.50-Frank's Auto; \$551-E. Whitford
   Mr. Sparkman advised that the Suburban was sold to Frank's Auto as the highest bidder.
- e. Town of Lisbon Anti-Blight Ordinance Update
  Mr. Sparkman discussed the proposed Anti-blight Ordinance approved by the previous board to go a town meeting.

# 6. Public Comment - None

# 7. New Business

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New Business contd.

- a. Conservation Commission Reappointments
   Memo, Hans Kvist, Chair., Conservation Commission, 12/7/11, Re: Reappointments
   A motion was made by R. Browne, seconded by J. Gwiazdowski, to approve the reappointment of Joseph Lewerk and Mark Sullivan to the Conservation Commission for the term of 12/1/11 11/30/13.
   VOTE: UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED
- b. 223 North Burnham Highway
   Letter, Norman K. Chase, Attorney for the Estate of George J. Hoydila, Jr., 12/1/11 Re: Portion of 232
   N. Burnham Highway Property (\$160,000-house and 4 acres)
   Mr. Gwiazdowski led a discussion regarding purchasing the entire property (64 acres). A motion was made by R. Browne, seconded by J. Gwiazdowski, to respond to Attorney Chase that we are proceeding with the steps necessary to approve purchase of the property at 223 North Burnham Highway.
- c. Leo MacDonald ZBA Appointment Request
   Letter, Leo MacDonald, 12/7/11, Re: Request for Appointment (Zoning Board of Appeals)
   A motion was made by J. Gwiazdowski, seconded by R. Browne, to approve the appointment of Leo MacDonald to the Zoning Board of Appeals for the term ending with the 11/21/17 election.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED

- 8. Public Comment None
- Any other business which may properly come before the Board.
   A motion was made by R. Browne, seconded by J. Gwiazdowski, to add "Town Clerk's Position" under Other Business.

  VOTE: UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED
  - a. Town Clerk's Position

    Mr. Sparkman advised the Board that, at a 3:00 p.m. news announcement, the Town Clerk has been hired by the City of Norwich effective 12/19/11. He further advised that the position can be filled, until the next election, via the hiring process which he will begin immediately.
- 10. Public Comment None
- 11. Adjournment

A motion was made by R. Browne, seconded by J. Gwiazdowski, to adjourn at 7:18 p.m.

APPROVED:\_\_\_\_\_\_ Thomas W. Sparkman, First Selectman