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*Minutes
Board of Selectmen
Monday, April 16, 2012*

Selectmen Clarence Farwell, Darrell Philpot, Karl Dowling and John Carr were present. Also present were Ann Somers, Loring Webster and Helen Ballou.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

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Darrell moved, seconded by Karl to approve the April 9th minutes. Voted yes 4-0.

Darrell moved, seconded by Karl to approve the amended minutes of April 2nd. Voted yes 4-0.

Warrants

The selectmen approved warrant # 21 in the amount of \$68,123.06 and payroll in the amount of \$39,531.63.

Police Dept.

Clarence read a public information release that the Brookline Police Dept. will receive \$57,034.40 due to a large scale drug investigation in January 2010. As part of our agreement we will distribute \$10,000 to the Mason Police Dept. The funds get deposited into an established, federally mandated and compliant Equitable Sharing Account. The funds are strictly limited to drug enforcement regulations.

The NH Highway Safety has approved a \$5,850 grant for twenty DUI patrols.

Safety Complex Building Addition

Peter Cook was present.

The Selectmen reviewed the proposed Agreement with Dennis Mires, P.A., The Architects. They questioned payment of \$1,000 to Dennis Mires (the architect) and \$4,500 to Eckman Construction and what has been done for these payments. **Peter** explained that they work together to produce a plan and estimates on the construction of the police addition to the safety complex. **Darrell** said we need a project schedule from Eckman Construction.

Rena said the planning board asked to have a representative from the planning board on the committee and Dana MacAllister has volunteered. The selectmen agreed to add him to the committee.

Darrell left the meeting at this point.

The selectmen agreed to ask the Building Committee, Dennis Mires and Eckman Construction to come in next Monday.

Karl moved, seconded by John to authorize Clarence to sign the bond application. Voted yes 3-0.

Peter said there were originally 9 members on the building committee and the selectmen added Dana MacAllister as a planning board representative. Three people attended their first meeting (Keith

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Thompson, Buddy Dougherty and Jerry Roche). Peter said they recommend adding the three people to the committee. ***John moved, seconded by Karl to amend the charter to add 3 more voting members to the committee. Voted yes 2-0; Karl voting no.***

The committee now consists of the following:

Facilities Study Committee- Ann Somers, Peter Cook and Brendan Denehy;

Police Chief – Bill Quigley;

Ambulance Director – Wes Whittier;

Finance Committee member – Dennis Skey;

Board of Selectmen – John Carr;

Planning Board – Dana MacAllister;

At Large Members – Buddy Dougherty, Keith Thompson and Jerry Roche.

Planning Board

Rosie Rosenberg and Dana MacAllister were present to discuss the Economic Development Committee. When we had the Visioning project several years ago 10 residents showed some interest. There hasn't been any interest from business owners in town. **Dana** is trying to get that Committee active. He agreed to put together a sample charter for the selectmen to review.

Valerie submitted a letter from Timothy Stetson of Ashby MA. He is a college student seeking an internship project. He would like to work with the planning board on Economic Development in Brookline. The selectmen approved him working with the planning board.

Brookline Website

Lynne Abt gave a status update on the town website. She said there's an average of 1,500 people per month using the website. She said there are many different websites including the town, library, police, safety complex, emergency management, ambulance, fire, schools and historical society. Lynne said there is much information but it needs to be better organized. She said we need policies and people need training and that we need a website person for the town. She said she doesn't have the time that's needed to volunteer on this project. Lynne will get her recommendations to the selectmen.

Conservation Commission

The Conservation Commission has recommended that Evan Gerokos be appointed as a Member and Tad Putney as an Alternate Member. Terms to expire March 2015. The selectmen will address the appointments next Monday.

CSDA Access to polling place

Moderator **Peter Webb** submitted a letter and a letter he received from the Attorney General Dept. of Justice regarding issues relating to access of the polling place. **Clarence** said he would meet with the building inspector to review the issues raised.

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Harvard Risk Benefits

Gary Jacobson was present to get the selectmen's permission to contact employees about identity theft and legal insurance. By going through the town, the employees would get a preferred rate. **Karl** said he has a problem with it because we would have to let every insurance company come in. He's concerned with what precedent we're setting. Karl suggested that Gary send an email to Rena that she could send to the employees.

Gen. Business

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Minutes submitted by Rena Duncklee.

Clarence L. Farwell

Darrell Philpot

Karl D. Dowling

John J. Carr