

**TOWN OF WEBSTER**  
**Office of Selectmen**  
**945 Battle Street/Rte. 127**  
**Webster, NH 03303**

7:00 P.M. Selectmen's Meeting – November 15, 2010

Present: Chairman David Klumb; Selectman George Hashem and Selectman George Cummings.

The Board signed the payroll and check manifests.

The Board signed the following for Mrs. Jones:

- Selectman Cummings made a motion to accept the minutes of November 1, 2010 as written; seconded by Selectman Hashem and approved;
- Selectman Hashem made a motion to accept the minutes of November 2, 2010 as written; seconded by Selectman Cummings and approved;
- An abatement to the Tax Collector for Ann Brazis – Map 10-1-143; and
- An abatement to the Tax Collector for Wayne and Darcy Cassin – Map 5-32-3

The Board signed the following for Financial Administrator Wendy Pinkham:

- Intent to Cut for Robert Drown, Sr. – Map 5-67;
- The October bank reconciliation;
- Selectman Hashem made a motion to accept the 3-year renewal with Local Government Center Property-Liability Trust, Workers Comp and Unemployment Compensation and to authorize Chairman Klumb to sign; seconded by Selectman Cummings and approved;
- Selectman Hashem made a motion to authorize Mrs. Pinkham to sign the paperwork for the Local Government Center for medical coverage for January 2011; seconded by Selectman Cummings and approved. Mrs. Pinkham noted that the medical coverage rate is down by 3% and short term disability is down by 3.6%; and
- Purchase Order #31 for the Highway Department to Cohen Steel Supply, Inc. for misc. steel items to build wing-arms in the amount of \$1,341.95.

Police Chief Dupuis advised or presented the following:

- The Department participated in Operation Safety last Friday and had 13 motor vehicle stops with many warnings issued. They concentrated in the Clothespin Bridge Road; Corn Hill Road; Tyler Road and White Plains Road areas;
- Presented the semi-monthly Police Department Report highlighted by a bomb threat, breach of bail condition and stalking for a total of 24 calls for service and 35 motor vehicle stops;
- Chairman Klumb inquired about the sex offender registered reportedly living at 433 Deer Meadow Road. Chief Dupuis has put in a call to check on the living arrangements, but has had no response to date, but will try again tomorrow. Chairman Klumb reminded the Chief that it would require a Variance to be in compliance with the Zoning Ordinance;
- Chief Dupuis spoke with the daughter of the owner of 854 Battle Street as he had heard that she is renting rooms and made her aware of the need to be in compliance with the Zoning Ordinance;
- Cumberland Farms has increased its price for gasoline. After speaking with Frank Jones, he found that gas can be bought for \$2.41 from the Franklin Fire Station, or nearly 50 cents less than Cumberland Farms. Franklin charges cost plus 5 cents per gallon for administration. The Board discussed the distance, time it takes, vehicle expense, etc. and decided that unless the car was in the area it would not be prudent to get gas in Franklin. Chief Dupuis noted that he goes through Franklin on his way to work and other officers are at Court probably weekly. He noted that Cumberland Farms has given an estimated cost per gallon of \$2.74 to a high of \$3.03;
- He again checked the junkyard on Deer Meadow Road on Friday. A fence has been erected, more has been cleared, but there is still plenty of junk. The owner has been arraigned on the junkyard issue and is scheduled for a trial.

Fire Chief Colin Colby reported 153 calls to date. The Department attended a drill in Salisbury for a 3<sup>rd</sup> alarm structure fire. The Department covered the Boscawen Station while they were at a structure fire. Saturday there was a brush fire in Town because of wood ash that was dumped and a medical call. Mrs. Pinkham inquired about whether there would be a Forest Fire Bill forthcoming with Chief Colby advising that there would be no bill. The Board signed Purchase Order #30 for the Fire Department to Fire Tech & Safety of New England for two sets of bunker gear in the amount of \$3,650.

Road Agent Emmett Bean is preparing for winter, piling sand and will be screening another pile of sand at the Town Pit. He has been cleaning around the Salt Shed, piling up old metal weighing approximately 200 pounds and asked the Board if he should just get rid of it or should he truck it to Cohen Steel, noting that metal prices are low. The Board agreed to get rid of it. He requested that the Police Department contact the owner of a dark green pickup truck on Manchester Drive to have it removed before snow fall as it is will be in the way. Ellen Cilley noted a pot hole on Deer Meadow Road near the residence of John Little needing attention. Mr. Bean recently filled it in, but will check it again. Another pot hole on Deer Meadow Road in the Pillsbury Lake District will be taken care of by Bob Lake. Selectman Cummings inquired about any anticipated plowing issues because of the sand covering the new sealing on White Plains Road. Mr. Bean spoke with the paving company and they advised that it would clean off nicely.

Selectman Cummings made mention of the past difficulty getting the southern portion of Route 127 repaved recommending that the Board start now lobbying to get the northern portion of Route 127 repaved.

Emergency Management Director Adam Pouliot advised that the Emergency Management Budget will remain the same for next year.

Treasurer Mary Welch provided the Board with the October bank reconciliation.

George Cummings will represent the Town in Court regarding the Azmy case.

Chairman Klumb will write the Board of Selectmen's Report for the Annual Town Report. The Board agreed to the recommended dedication of the report, which will be written by Selectman Cummings. The Board agreed that there will be no colored pictures in the report.

Per a request, the Board had no objection to volunteers cleaning up burned trash on vacant land in Webster and disposing of it at the Hopkinton/Webster Landfill at no charge.

Three estimates were received for the new roofing of the Town Hall. The Board will review them and a Warrant Article will be presented at the next Annual Town Meeting.

Ellen Cilley inquired as to any response from Town Counsel regarding her request to keep tape recordings of the Selectmen's Meeting for a period of not less than one year or more than two years. Mrs. Jones has sent her request to Town Counsel and will forward this on to the Board for their review.

7:37 P.M. Selectman Hashem made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Selectman Cummings and approved.

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David E. Klumb, Chairman

George K. Hashem

George C. Cummings

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