

**MEETING MINUTES**  
Town of Heath  
**BOARD OF SELECTMEN**  
September 27, 2010

Called to Order at 7:06 P.M. with Board members Tom Lively and Brian De Vriese present as well as Margo Newton and Art Schwenger.

Review Agenda:

**7:20** Brian moved to approve minutes of 8-30-2010. Tom seconded. The vote was unanimous.

**7:21** Art Schwenger discussed Wiredwest Broadband Project. The Broadband project is looking to join a cooperative. Heath presently is a member of Municipal Light Cooperative through the Hampshire Collaborative. Art said each town would need to take two votes. One vote to form a company and one to join a cooperative in order to join Broadband project. Art thinks it would be nice if Heath could be ready with the vote at a Special Town Meeting. This project would be finished in three years starting June 2010.

7:35 Al Canali entered meeting. Al said we will need a town warrant vote. Heath has to approve the formation of Municipal Lighting Plant by a 2/3 vote with a paper ballot. It appears we have time to get an article on the STM warrant. It will need to be reviewed by Town Council. It should be ready by 11-1-2010 in order to be put on warrant. Received a copy from Al Canali regarding "Creating Municipal Lighting Plants - Public Co-ops in Mass." Information was given to Sheila by Al Canali. Check with Sheila for documents and details. Tom thanked Al and Art for there hard work.

7:50 Al Canali and Art Schwenger left meeting.

7:51 Jan Carr, Deb Porter and Don Purrington entered meeting. The library is in the process of looking at properties for a new library. They would like to bring this before the annual town meeting. The library is eligible for a grant thru USDA with a 40 year mortgage with 3.75% as of Oct 1, 2010. Brian said the town would need to do a RFP. A pre-application report and buy/sell are needed to apply. Deb said the filing deadline for the application is as soon as possible. Deb Porter agreed with Brian that Town Council needs to be contacted. Brian said he will call Kopelman and Paige about RFP and purchase and sale. Selectboard agreed that the financial committee needs to be informed.

8:37 Deb Porter, Jan Carr and Don Purrington leave meeting.

**Town Coordinators Report:** No Report.

**8:37 Review Mail and E-Mail.**

E-mail from Graham Coterwas regarding town webpage. Check with Jenna about web page and whether she needs training?

Request for leave for Charlene Reynolds approved and signed.

**8:50** Brian moved to appoint Becky Allen and Margo Newton as Post Office Substitutes at a rate of \$11.88 per hour. Seconded by Tom. The vote was unanimous.

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FRCOG is considering doing a Fire Alarm Testing Co-op. Check with Mike Smith to see if this is something he does.

FRCOG sent a copy of the recent Greater Franklin County Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy, Check minutes for Art Schwenger's appointment to CEDS.

E-mail from Jan Ameen regarding acquiring more blue bins. Check with Mike, we could purchase some if we could get a dozen or so.

E-mail from Kim Gangwisch-Marsh regarding her appointment as an alternate to Tim Lively. Town Coordinator to call Tim and discuss job description for alternate.

Mass Municipal Affairs was looking for participation in their first annual Questionnaire. Tom to give to Sheila.

Letter from Board of Health indicating food inspections are not applicable for private functions. Town Coordinator regarding private function inspections. Check with Comm. Hall Policy to see if this is addressed adequately.

E-mail from Eileen Tougas regarding Comm. Hall ceiling. Request Eileen Contact Steve Crowingshield for an estimate.

E-mail from MIIA regarding FY10 and FY11 rewards. Town Coordinator to follow up with this.

E-mail regarding final ice storm packet.. Copy provided to Mike's and Tracy's personnel file.

**Old Business.**

Whittemore Spring – TRC engineering co. is coming up Wednesday for consultation.

Speed Limit changes – Chief Newton will look for executive order regarding 20 mph speed limit near senior centers.

Dog hearing – Tom to talk to Hilma for history of dog violations in community.

Internet – Nurse's internet access is not working at the Community Hall. Technical advice needed.

**New Business**

Discussion of transfer station hours. Brian moved to continue keeping transfer station open on Wednesdays until Columbus Day. Tom seconded. The vote was unanimous.

Put on next agenda to review policy for school use.

Voted to sign M.O.U. for Solid Waste. Brian moved to sign agreement. Tom seconded. Motion passed.

Discussed dates for BOS meetings. Tentative dates are Oct. 12 and 26. Nov. 9 and 23. Dec. 7 and 21. STM November 23. Will check with Sheila regarding these dates.

**10:07** Brian moved to adjourn meeting. Motion was seconded by Tom. The vote was unanimous.

Next Meeting Oct 12, 2010.