

**Town of New Haven Emergency  
Selectboard Meeting  
7:00 pm  
Monday, June 9, 2008**

Present: Keith Hall, Chair, Pat Paquette, Roger Boise, Pam Marsh, Lowell Nottingham, Claire Van Buren, Barb Torian, Pam Kingman

Agenda: To consider whether we should amend and/ or rewarn the Special Town Meeting Warning:

- Bond
- New truck for road crew
- Town Hall windows

The Selectboard whether we should re-warn the Special Town Meeting & bond vote presently warned for the June 30 / July 1 in order to add related to the purchase of a new town truck and new windows for the town hall. After consideration of the opinion of legal counsel that purchase of these items is within the authority of the Selectboard, they decided not to warn a special town meeting to deal with the truck and windows. Pam Marsh made a motion to mail out an informational letter regarding the purchase of a new truck, and new windows for the Town Hall gym, seconded by Pat Paquette. 5 yes / 0 no

**A Selectboard Public Hearing will be held on Tuesday, July 15, 2008 at 6:00 pm in the Town Hall for public input.**

**The Bond vote** is asking the Voters to allow the Town to borrow \$594,000; therefore allowing the Selectboard to use \$200,000 from the Reserved Facilities Fund.

The road crew is in need of a **new truck**. The Selectboard would like to be able to go ahead and purchase the truck. Per State Statute 19 V.S.A. § 304, "The Selectboard has broad authority to spend money for highways and highway equipment." (See attached)

In the past the Town has always asked to spend money, but the Selectboard does have the authority to spend this without voter approval in light of *Mooney v. Stowe* and the legal opinion from Jim Ouimette. The Selectboard will be looking for public input at the Public Hearing on the 15<sup>th</sup> of July.

Also being discussed at the Public Hearing is the Town Hall gym windows. The windows are in need of replacement. The Selectboard put the windows out to bid. The bids received were not the type or quality of windows the Selectboard was looking for. They would like to purchase the windows from Brownell's in Burlington and Perkins Smith will install them; total cost being \$15,200, that would be taken from the Reserve Facilities Fund.

Also discussed was the survey on the Sidewalk Project. Keith Hall made a motion not to do the sidewalk survey feeling that it would be counterproductive, in light of our decision on March 15, 2008 to move forward with the project. Seconded by Pam Marsh. 3 yes / 1 no / 1 abstention

Keith Hall made a motion to move into executive session to discuss a legal issue at 7:40 pm, seconded by Lowell Nottingham.  
Pam Marsh made a motion to adjourn from executive session at 7:50 pm, seconded by Keith Hall.

Adjourn: 7:50 pm  
Respectfully Submitted:  
Pam Kingman  
Approved:

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Keith Hall, Chair

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Roger Boise

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Pam Marsh

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Lowell Nottingham

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Pat Paquette