

**Town of Newport  
Board of Selectmen  
Regular Meeting  
7:00 PM – Municipal Building  
Minutes of May 3, 2010**

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**SELECTMEN PRESENT:** Virginia Irwin, Chairman\*; Jeffrey Kessler, Vice Chairman; Gary Nichols, Elizabeth Maiola.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Daniel P. O'Neill, Town Manager; Julie Collins, Planning & Zoning Administrator; Larry Wiggins, Public Works Director; Paul Brown, Finance Director.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Vice Chairman Kessler called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**AGENDA REVIEW:** Vice Chairman Kessler moved **FIRST BUSINESS:** 1. **Joan Willey – Town Report Dedication** to follow **AGENDA REVIEW.**

\*Chairman Irwin joined the meeting at 7:04 p.m.

*Out of Order of Agenda*

**Joan Willey – Town Report Dedication:** Chairman Irwin announced that it was a pleasure to recognize citizen Joan Willey with the dedication of the 2009 Town Report. Chairman Irwin read the dedication. Ms. Willey acknowledged her Board Members, other staff, and her family.

**MINUTES:** On a motion by Selectman Nichols, seconded by Selectman Maiola, *the Board voted unanimously to accept the minutes of April 5, 2010.*

**SELECTMEN'S FORUM:** Chairman Irwin opened the discussion to anyone from the public who wished to address the Board. There was no one from the public who wished to address the Board at this time.

Selectman Nichols reminded everyone that Town Meeting voting would be taking place on May 11, 2010 at the Opera House from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Selectman Nichols asked Mr. Wiggins to repair holes in the sidewalk in the vicinity of Cross Street. He added that he was pleased with the durability of the experimental crosswalk on Sunapee Street. Selectman Irwin suggested that the Town look into doing another crosswalk like the one on Sunapee Street. Town Manager O'Neill said that they would soon be painting other crosswalks in town, if the weather cooperated. Selectman Nichols then read a letter from Mat Hogan commending the Newport Fire & Emergency Medical personnel who recently saved his life.

Selectman Maiola also commended the Newport EMT's and Fire Department. Selectman Maiola expressed her sadness over the loss of citizen John Coronis, who did a great deal for the Town. She finished by asking that a discussion of the Airport Mission Statement be put on the next agenda.

Town Manager O'Neill asked everyone to read the Town newsletter that was sent in the mail last week and in particular the flyer regarding the phosphorous removal project. He encouraged everyone to call the Town with any questions they might have.

Chairman Irwin read the current list of items for sale by the Town. She then asked Mr. Wiggins what work his department was doing on Pine Street and if it was related to the upcoming Planning Board case for a proposed church. Mr. Wiggins stated that it was not related to that proposed church and that it was general maintenance work.

**COMMITTEE RE-APPOINTMENTS (SEE ATTACHED):** Town Manager O'Neill stated that the list before the Board were all re-appointments and that there were no new members applying at this time.

On a motion by Selectman Kessler, seconded by Selectman Maiola, *the Board voted unanimously to make the following Board and Committee nominations:*

*Heath Marsden, Full Member to the Airport Advisory for a three-year term;*  
*Edmund Smith, Full Member to the Conservation Commission for a three-year term;*  
*Jeffrey North, Full Member to the Planning Board for a three-year term;*  
*David Kibbey, Alternate Member to the Planning Board for a one-year term;*  
*Kassy Helie, Full Member to the Rec. Advisory Committee for a three-year term;*  
*Glenn Halleck, Full Member to the Rec. Advisory Committee for a three-year term;*  
*James Burroughs, Full Member to the Zoning Board of Adjustment for a three-year term; and*  
*Jack Liberman, Alternate Member to the Zoning Board of adjustment for a three-year term.*

The above Members can be re-appointed at the next regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen.

**Airport Advisory Appointments – Harold Yanofsky and John Merriman, Full Members, Both Three-Year Terms:** On a motion by Selectman Maiola, seconded by Selectman Kessler, *the Board voted unanimously to nominate Harold Yanofsky and John Merriman, Full Members to the Airport Advisory, both for three-year terms.*

Appointment of these Members will be made at the next meeting of the Board of Selectmen.

**SECOND BUSINESS: CDBG Flagstone Industrial Park Infrastructure Project:**

Mr. Keith Thibault, CDBG Grant Administrator, was present to discuss the recent bid opening for the Flagstone Industrial Park Infrastructure Project. Mr. Thibault stated that on, April 20, 2010, they received four bids for the project with the low bidder being United Construction at \$396,136.00. He said they were present to ask for the Board's approval to award the contract and move forward with the project.

On a motion by Selectman Maiola, seconded by Selectman Kessler, *the Board voted to award the Flagstone Industrial Park Infrastructure Project contract to United Construction Corporation in the amount of \$396,136.00. Selectman Nichols abstained. The motion passed 3-0-1.*

Selectman Kessler asked if the boundaries of the nearby cemetery to this project was going to be an issue. Town Manager O'Neill stated that those issues have been satisfactorily addressed.

Chairman Irwin added that the gate to the maintenance road at the Pine Street cemetery needs to be permanently locked so that vehicles are not driving over grave sites.

**Potential Tax Deeded Property:** Town Manager O'Neill, referring to a list from Tammy Flewelling, said that he would like to get a history on the five parcels listed, to determine which ones the Town would take deed to. Selectman Kessler volunteered to work with him and will schedule visits to these properties.

On a motion by Selectman Kessler, seconded by Selectman Maiola, *a roll call vote was taken and passed unanimously to go into Non-Public Session Under RSA 91-A:3 II(d) Real Estate at 7:36 p.m. with Mr. Wiggins and Mr. Brown in attendance.*

*A motion was made and passed unanimously to come out of Non-Public Session at 8:20 p.m.*

There was no action taken during Non-Public Session.

**ADJOURNMENT:** *A motion was made and passed unanimously to adjourn at 8:21 p.m.*

**The next meeting of the Board of Selectmen is scheduled for May 17, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne Dufour  
Recording Secretary