BOARD OF SELECTMEN Working Session Town Hall Conference Room Minutes of January 29, 2014

Chairman Ken Vogel called the meeting to order at 4:35PM. Board members present in addition to Chairman Vogel, were Martha Morrison, Dick Gandt and Laura Powers. Eldon Goodhue was absent. Of the Selectmen's staff, Town Administrator Kellie Hebert and Board Secretary Donna Rich were in attendance. Other persons present during all or part of the meeting were Water Superintendent Greg Krom, Government Review Committee members Al Wallace, George Anderson and Boyd Jackson, and Town Clerk Ann Gill.

<u>Water Department Capital Projects Presentation</u>: Water Department Superintendent Greg Krom provided a slide presentation of the capital projects the Water Commissioners would like to put before the residents at the 2014 Annual Town Meeting. The projects would be funded through the Water Enterprise accounts.

<u>FY15 Capital Program:</u> Town Administrator Kellie Hebert explained the items identified to be a part of the \$300,000 Guideline, established by the Finance Committee. Also Ms. Hebert explained the FY15 Capital Recommendations that could be funded with Borrowing or Free Cash. There was a discussion regarding the individual items and some changes were requested to be made to the list.

<u>Town Clerk position: Appointed vs. Elected:</u> There was a discussion lead by members of the Government Review Committee members Al Wallace, Boyd Jackson and George Anderson explaining their previous recommendation of moving the Town Clerk position from an elected position to an appointed one. Town Clerk Ann Gill responded with her favorable opinion of the proposed position change. Town Administrator was directed to obtain Legal Council's opinion on the appropriate process that would need to be followed to initiate the change at the 2014 Town Meeting.

At 5:52 PM, Selectmen Morrison made a motion to adjourn and Selectman Powers seconded the motion; so voted: 4-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Rich, Secretary Selectmen's Office

Per the Open Meeting Law, the documents that were either distributed to the BOS before the meeting in a packet, or at the meeting were:

- 1. Agenda
- 2. FY15 Capital Recommendations List dated 1/29/14

Approved as written at the March 3, 2014 Board of Selectmen's meeting.

Pursuant to the 'Open Meeting Law,' G.L. 39, § 23B, the approval of these minutes by the Board constitutes a certification of the date, time and place of the meeting, the members present and absent, and the actions taken at the meeting. Any other description of statements made by any person, or the summary of the discussion of any matter, is included for the purpose of context only, and no certification, express or implied, is made by the Board as to the completeness or accuracy of such statements.