Present: Stuart M. Schulman, Chairman; Peter S. Cunningham, Vice Chairman; John G. Petropoulos; Anna Eliot; Joshua A. Degen
Also Present: Mark W. Haddad, Town Manager; Patrice Garvin, Executive Assistant

Mr. Schulman called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

Mr. Petropoulos asked how to appropriate the Center Fire Station money. Mr. Haddad explained the debt exclusion amendment and how the motion had to be worded. Mr. Petropoulos wanted there to be a way to approve a ballot process if Mr. Loving’s amendment passes. Mr. Petropoulos asked if the appropriation passed if it could be subject to a ballot to seek debt exclusion thirty days from now. Mr. Haddad replied that it could not be done that way because it’s one vote one motion. Mr. Haddad explained that once the money was appropriated the Board of Selectmen can call for a special election for debt exclusion. The Board collectively supported funding the fire station under the levy.

One-Day Liquor License
Mr. Cunningham moved to approve the one day liquor license for Ellen Todd for February 9, 2013 at the First Parish Church for wine and beer. Mr. Petropoulos seconded the motion. Motion carried.

New Hire, DPW
Mr. Haddad explained that Brian Barbieri was offered the DPW Mechanic position. Mr. Barbieri does not have a Class A license nor a Hydraulic License. Mr. Haddad explained that he is working to receive these licenses and as he does the base pay will increase to reflect the certification required for the position.

Ms. Eliot moved to ratify the Town Manager’s appointment of Brian Barbieri as the DPW Mechanic, contingent on receiving the necessary licenses. Mr. Cunningham seconded the motion. Motion unanimously carried.

Tarbell School
Mr. Haddad requested that the Board vote to adopt the sale and property of the Tarbell School. The motion lets the Town Manager and Chairman sign additional documents needed at closing. This motion would be called for on January 28th so the closing could occur on February 4th.

Rule Loving Amendment of Center Fire Station Funding Plan
Mr. Degen moved to reject the amendment as moved by Rule Loving and recommend to Town Meeting that the funding of the Center Fire Station be within the levy. Mr. Cunningham seconded the motion. Motion unanimously carried.

The selectmen adjourned into Town Meeting and decided to reconvene after the conclusion of Town Meeting to discuss the Center Fire Station next steps.

1:05 pm

TLT
Mr. Doneski reviewed TLT’s DCAM file and it was less than desirable. If their bid is rejected Mr. Doneski is most certain they will protest and would seek an injunction to stop the project. The delay of an injunction could take up to a month to settle in court. Mr. Doneski also stated that the other two low bidders needed to hold their bid price while
any protest from TLT was being resolved. Mr. Haddad stated that he has a meeting with TLT to discuss the issues and to see if they were willing to agree to some conditions. Mr. Degen stated that the conditions imposed could get TLT to walk away from the project. Mr. Doneski stated that it needed to be stressed to TLT that the Town needed assurances. Mr. Degen stated that if assurances were not met it should have punitive damages attached to the conditions. Mr. Doneski stated that TLT was looking to do a good job on a project to get their DCAM score up. Mr. Degen suggested that all three low bidders be sent a letter asking to extend their bids until March 1st. Mr. Haddad stated that the meeting with TLT is scheduled for 1-29-13 with himself, the OPM, TLT, Don Walter, Mr. Degen and Mr. Doneski. A letter addressed to all three low bidders would be sent out with extension date of 3-1-13.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Degen moved to adjourn the meeting at 1:15pm. Meeting adjourned.

Approved: _____________________________  _________________________________

John G. Petropoulos, Clerk

respectfully submitted,
Patrice Garvin, Executive Assistant

Date Approved: 2-4-13