Holderness Select Board Meeting Minutes February 19, 2019

Select Board Members Present: Jill White, Chair, Woodie Laverack, Vice Chair and Shelagh Connelly.

Others Present: Town Administrator- Michael Capone, Recreation Director, Wendy Werner and Fire Chief, Eleanor Mardin.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 4:30 PM

Payroll & Payables: Reviewed and discussed.

Pledge of Allegiance: at 5:00 PM Ms. White led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval and Signing of Payroll and Payable Checks: Ms. Connelly moved, with a second from Mr. Laverack to approve the payroll and accounts payable manifests and to issue checks accordingly. The motion passed by a vote of 3-0.

Approval of meeting minutes: Mr. Laverack moved, with a second from Ms. Connelly to approve the minutes of the February 4, 2019 meeting with one grammatical correction. The motion was passed by a vote of 3-0.

Consent Agenda/Signature File:

Denial of Permanent Application for Property Tax Exemption Map 101 Lot 006

Special Event Permit for the 9th Annual Circle Trot and Waiver of Permit Fee

Investment Policy

Ms. Connelly moved with a second from Mr. Laverack to approve the consent agenda as presented. The Board voted 3-0 in favor of the motion.

Department Head Visits: Fire Chief-Eleanor Mardin – Chief Mardin noted that the department has responded to 56 calls to date this year. She commented that on a recent rescue of an injured snowmobiler, the new equipment the Department had purchased for off road rescues functioned extremely well and provided for more effective and safe transport of the injured party.

The Chief also provided an update on the upgrade of the highway one ton to a forestry vehicle for the Department. The Chief expects to have the vehicle back from the company installing the new body shortly. At that time Department personnel will be able to transfer the equipment from the old forestry truck to the replacement vehicle.

The Board thanked Chief Mardin for attending the meeting.

Recreation Director- Wendy Werner – Wendy mentioned that she had a meeting with her returning SummerEscape program Directors last week. She also met with William (Principal VanBennekum) at the

Holderness Central School about the dates for the program this year. Letters have been sent out to all of the Counselors from last year to see if they would like to return for this year's program. Wendy is also reaching out to last year's beach attendants to see if they would like to return as well.

The spring programs will be starting up soon. Pickle Ball is attracting more participants. The archery program will be offered again this year.

The Recreation Board is working on revisions to the Town beach regulations. Town Counsel has reviewed the first draft for compliance with State RSA's. The Recreation Board will be reviewing the comments at their meeting this evening. The Select Board will review and discuss the final draft prior to approval.

The Board thanked Wendy for attending the meeting.

New Business: Review and Signing of Town Meeting Warrant- The Board reviewed and discussed the final draft of the Warrant for Town Meeting. Mr. Laverack, with a second from Ms. Connelly, made a motion to approve and sign the warrant as written. There was no discussion. The Board voted 3-0 in favor of approving the warrant.

Old Business: 2019-2020 Budget- outstanding issues as required – there are presently no outstanding budget issues. The Board will discuss scheduling poll coverage for the first session of Town Meeting at their March 4thmeeting.

Public Participation: None

Town Administrator's Report to the Select Board February 19, 2019

Meetings- None Scheduled at this time

1. I will be forwarding some more material with regard to Huckins Hill Road to Counsel for their review and comment. Shelagh and I met with Phil Peck, Head of School, at the Holderness School, and he provided some material for review. I am presently reviewing some Town records and will continue to research the matter and provide more information to Counsel as it becomes available.

2. Sent correspondence to our State Representatives and our State Senator with regard to some of the education bills proposed for the current legislative session. There is concern about the idea of donor towns resurfacing and those communities that could potentially be impacted are working collectively to monitor those bills. Most of the discussion has been with regard to forming a study commission to look at funding options with many of the opinion that the donor town idea would not be part of any future funding schemes as it is not palatable to many folks. More to follow.

3. Have been reviewing material on the Primex "Prime 3" program. The program assists members in improving their risk management performance through the implementation of ten Risk Management best practices. Members who complete the "Prime3" program will receive an additional discount on their Property Liability and Workers Compensation programs.

4. Attended a presentation on the Squam Lakes Watershed Plan. The Squam Lakes Association and the Lakes Region Panning Commission met with Board and Commission Members from the five watershed communities, Holderness, Ashland, Center Harbor, Moultonborough and Sandwich to discuss future development and build out in the watershed based on each community's current zoning regulations.

They supplied a fair amount of good data and plan to meet with individual Towns in the spring to discuss each community in more detail before reconvening another joint meeting.

5. We are going to try placing sand for residential use outside of the gate at the highway garage. Folks will still be permitted to take up to two five gallon buckets of sand for use along their walkways. This was discussed in detail at the last Department Head meeting. There have been issues with folks taking wood and salt from the Highway Department because the gate has been left open to allow folks in for sand. Closing and locking the gate will hopefully put a stop to that. This practice has worked successfully in many communities and we are certain it will work here.

6. I attended a regional meeting to discuss options for recycling glass. The meeting was sponsored by the Lakes Region Planning Commission (LRPC) and Mike Durfor of the Northeast Resource Recovery Association (NRRA) presented on the topic. The presentation highlighted two possible options for communities to consider as an alternative to their current glass collection programs. Area communities will be providing their current glass tonnage data to the LRPC as a first step toward considering some type of regional collection and processing.

Board Member Reports:

Mr. Laverack provided a brief synopsis of the land use board meeting at the SLA last week. A great deal of useful information was disseminated to the member towns with regard to the potential impact of development in the watershed. Meetings with each of the towns are scheduled for the spring of this year to review the information in greater detail.

With no further business to come before the Board, Ms. Connelly made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:59PM. Mr. Laverack provided a second. The Board voted 3-0 in favor of adjournment.

Respectfully submitted, Michael R. Capone Town Administrator