Present: Wayne R. Walker, Heather M. Billings, and John F. Fairbanks

## CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Walker called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Selectmen's Office at Town Hall. He announced that the meeting was being broadcast live and recorded by Ashburnham Westminster Community Access TV.

## **ANNOUNCEMENT**

•Due to the ongoing road work at the intersection of South Street and Main Street, the Board asked the public to exercise caution until the work is finalized.

#### APPROVAL OF WARRANTS/MINUTES

Mr. Fairbanks moved that the Board approve minutes for July 8, July 15, and July 29, 2013 as printed. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously. Ms. Billings recused herself from voting on the minutes of July 8, 2013.

Board members reviewed and approved the following warrants:

July 30, 2013	Deduction #7D	\$ 155,738.00
August 5, 2013	Accounts Payable #8	\$ 950,232.75
August 12, 2013	Accounts Payable #10	\$ 616,112.89
	Payroll # 9	\$ 176,194.04

#### APPOINTMENT – EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT RADIO OPERATOR

Mr. Fairbanks moved that the Board appoint Bill Leger as Emergency Management Radio Operator through June 30, 2014. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

#### NORTHRUP-GRUMMAN ACCESS AGREEMENT

Mr. Walker explained that Northrup-Grumman was requesting access to Crocker Pond property to conduct ongoing environmental testing associated with the site located behind TRW; this site was formerly identified as the "Cresticon" parcel when the Town purchased Crocker Pond.

Ms. Billings moved that the Board approve the Access Agreement with Northrup-Grumman. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

#### PAYROLL AUTHORIZATION - INTERIM TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Ms. Billings moved that the Board appoint Callie Beaton as Interim Town Accountant. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

## POLICE LIEUTENANT CONTRACT AMENDMENT

Mr. Fairbanks moved that the Board approve the amendments to the Police Lieutenant contract. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

## MEETING SCHEDULE

Ms. Billings moved that the Board approve the following meeting dates: September 16, September 23, October 7, October 21, November 4, November 18, December 2, and December 16, 2013. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

# 6:10 P.M. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Walker moved that the Board enter into executive session to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining, and that the Board adjourn directly from executive session. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The Board adjourned from executive session at 7:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John F. Fairbanks, Clerk (Prepared by B. Kazan)