Members present: First Selectman Betsy Petrie, Selectman Glen Coutu, and Selectman John Bendoraitis

Others present: Attorney Edward O’Connell, Attorney Catherine Marrion from the law firm of Waller, Smith & Palmer, Gerald Stefon from Mattern & Stefon Land Surveyors and Administrative Assistant Linda McDonald

1.0 Call to Order: B. Petrie called the special meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

2.0 Discuss and Act Upon the following items for future Special Town Meeting:

1. The Purchase of a Life Line Emergency Vehicle up to purchase of a new ambulance in the amount of up to $190,000.00, funds to come from Capital 220, account #422-2715

B. Petrie said, at their meeting last night, the Board of Finance voted to ask the BOS to call a special meeting to authorize the purchase of a new ambulance in the amount of up to $190,000.00, funds to come from Capital 220, account #422-2715.

B. Petrie recused herself from the discussion and vote on this agenda item.

G. Coutu MOVED to bring to special town meeting the purchase of a new ambulance in the amount of up to $190,000.00, funds to come from Capital 220, account #422-2715. J. Bendoraitis SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 2:0:0.

2. To Rescind the Ordinance “Board of Education Full Election of Membership”.

J. Bendoraitis MOVED to bring to Special Town Meeting approval to rescind the Ordinance “Board of Education Full Election of Membership”. G. Coutu SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 3:0:0.

3. To Authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into an Agreement to Lease Town-Owned Land for the purpose of a Cell Phone Tower.

Attorney O’Connell said the BOS has to hold a public hearing before this item can go to Town meeting. With this timeline, this agenda item could possibly be brought to the annual town meeting on May 1st. No action taken.

4. The Granting of an Easement for Perry Road.

Attorney O’Connell said this item does not require a public hearing before Town Meeting vote as the Fair Market Value is below $10,000.00.
J. Bendoraitis MOVED to bring to special Town meeting “Consider grant of an easement for ingress and egress and utilities over a strip of land called Perry Road”. G. Coutu SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 3:0:0.

5. Revision of the “Ordinance regarding the Approval of Capital Projects”.
Discussion followed on 1.) Revision to the language in the ordinance to allow petitioning to a Special Town Meeting to allow flexibility for extreme circumstances and 2.) Replacing the language referring to “tax burden”.

Attorney O’Connell recommended rescinding the current ordinance and replacing with a new ordinance. Consensus of the Board was to revise the language in the new ordinance setting a threshold of 100 to petition to Special Town Meeting and replacing the language referring to “tax burden”. Legal counsel will provide the language for the proposed ordinance.

B. Petrie MOVED to bring to special Town meeting “Rescind ordinance entitled “An Ordinance regarding the Approval of Capital Projects” and replace with new ordinance, language to be provided by Town legal counsel. J. Bendoraitis SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 3:0:0.

6. Revision to the Resolution for the Annual Budget Meeting. No action at this time.
B. Petrie explained the challenge has been that the ordinance was replaced by a resolution mandating the annual budget meeting be the first Monday in May.

B. Petrie MOVED to enter Executive Session at 9:58 a.m. with Attorney Edward O’Connell, Attorney Catherine Marrion, and Gerald Stefon present. J. Bendoraitis SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 3:0:0.

3.0 Executive Session
3.1 Executive Session per State Statutes Section 1-200 (6)(B): Legal Review of Lebanon Green Ownership/ Attorney-Client Communication

Executive Session ended at 11:30 a.m. No action taken.

4.0 Adjournment: G. Coutu MOVED to adjourn the special meeting at 11:31 a.m. J. Bendoraitis SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 3:0:0.

Respectfully Submitted Linda H. McDonald

Please see the minutes of subsequent meetings for the approval of these minutes and any corrections hereto.