Board of Selectmen **SPECIAL MEETING** January 22, 2013 – 5:00 PM

Town Hall

MINUTES

- **1.0** First Selectman Joyce Okonuk called the meeting to order at 5:04 pm. Selectmen Linda Finelli and John Bendoraitis and Administrative Assistant Patti Handy were also present. Audience: 2
- 2.0 Registrars Mary Beth Yarmac and Corinne Nichols were present to discuss proposed emergency procedures for Lebanon's Registrars of Voters as required by the State of Connecticut Secretary of State. Yarmac explained what changes need to be implemented for specific scenarios. The Selectmen reviewed the plan as presented by the Registrars and made a few suggestions for changes. Motion made by Okonuk, seconded by Finelli to accept the proposed emergency procedures for Lebanon's Registrars of Voters as amended. Vote: Yes, unanimous.
- 3.0 Motion made by Okonuk, seconded by Finelli to enter into executive session at 5:20 pm to discuss property negotiations. Vote: Yes, unanimous. Patti Handy was invited to stay as well as Town Planner Phil Chester who joined the meeting at 5:25.
 - Return to regular session at 5:32 pm: No action.
- 4.0 Bendoraitis provided an update on the progress made towards upgrading the telephone and internet services at Town buildings. Bendoraitis has obtained an estimate from Charter Business Communications to combine services and upgrade all existing phone lines and internet service to a digital format at all Town buildings. He has compared past bills from AT&T and has found that the conversion will reduce the monthly cost of services that the Town is now paying. There will be one-time installation costs associated with the conversion and new handsets will also be purchased to take full advantage of the new features.

 Motion made by Okonuk, seconded by Finelli to authorize Selectman John Bendoraitis to negotiate a new service contract with Charter Business Communications to upgrade the telephone, internet and TV services to all Town buildings. Vote: Yes, unanimous.
- 5.0 The Selectmen continued to develop the operating budgets for FY13-14. Okonuk will print the budget documents and bring back to Selectmen for a final review and approval at the next meeting.
- 6.0 Motion made by Bendoraitis seconded by Finelli to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 pm. Vote: Yes, unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joyce R. Okonuk, First Selectman

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