

Board of Selectmen
SPECIAL MEETING
May 22, 2012 – 4:00 PM
Town Hall

MINUTES

- 1.0 First Selectman Joyce Okonuk called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm. Selectmen Linda Finelli and John Bendoraitis and Administrative Assistant Patti Handy were also present. Audience: 1.
- 2.0 **Motion made by Okonuk, seconded by Finelli to rescind the motion made under item 6.4 of the May 1, 2012 Regular meeting. Vote: Yes (2), Okonuk and Finelli, Abstain (1) Bendoraitis. Motion carries.**
- 3.0 **Motion made by Finelli, seconded by Okonuk to hire Stephen T. Hopkins CPA, PC to conduct the Annual Audit of the Financial Records of the Town for two Fiscal Years ending June 30, 2013 and June 30, 2014 as recommended by the Board of Finance.** Bendoraitis commented that in changing the original motion from a one-year contract to a two-year contract, he is even less inclined to support it. He stands by his original opinion that as Hopkins has been the auditor for more than ten years, it is time to have a change. Okonuk and Finelli disagreed. They both support engaging the services of Hopkins for another two years will provide a knowledgeable resource for the interim Town Accountant as we continue to improve the financial systems of the town. They also reiterated Hopkins performance has been exemplary. **Vote: Yes (2) Okonuk and Finelli, No (1) Bendoraitis. Motion carries.**
- 4.0 **Motion made by Bendoraitis, seconded by Finelli to bring to Town Meeting the request for revised user fees at the Lebanon Transfer Station as recommended by the Solid Waste Commission. Vote: Yes, unanimous.**
- 5.0 **Motion made by Finelli, seconded by Okonuk to call a Special Town Meeting on June 4, 2012 at 7:30 p.m. at Lyman Memorial High School Auditorium.** Bendoraitis noted for the record that as Lebanon has a Town Meeting form of government, he feels that the budget should not automatically go to referendum, but rather be voted on at Town Meeting. For this reason he will vote against calling this Town Meeting. **Vote: Yes (2), Okonuk and Finelli, No (1) Bendoraitis. Motion carries.**
- 6.0 **Motion made by Finelli, seconded by Bendoraitis to approve up to \$38,000.00 for the purchase of a passenger van for Senior Transportation, funds to come from the Annual Capital Expense, Account #220-020-6121, Senior Van. Vote: Yes, unanimous.**
- 7.0 **Motion made by Okonuk, seconded by Finelli to adjourn at 4:35 pm. Vote: Yes, unanimous.**

Respectfully Submitted,



Joyce R. Okonuk, First Selectman