Board of Selectmen **SPECIAL MEETING** August 16, 2011 – 5:00 PM Town Hall <u>MINUTES</u>

- **1.0** First Selectman Joyce Okonuk called the meeting to order at 5:05 pm. Selectmen John Bendoraitis and Linda Finelli and Administrative Assistant Patti Handy were also present. Audience: 2.
- 2.0 The Selectmen reviewed the 2010 State Homeland Security Grant Program. Motion made by Finelli, seconded by Bendoraitis to sign a Resolution for the 2010 State Homeland Security Grant Program, authorizing the First Selectman to enter into an agreement with the State of Connecticut Department of Emergency Management. Vote: Yes, unanimous.
- 3.0 The Selectmen discussed the new Village Center Stakeholder Planning Committee and Planner Phil Chester said that the committee is a requirement of the grant, and must include various town resident representations. The committee will meet monthly with Brad Schide, Circuit Rider (liaison) from the Connecticut Trust for Historic Preservation, who will coordinate the project. The committee is to consist of nine members to be appointed by the Board of Selectmen, terms to end at the completion of the project. The members are representatives of Boards and Committees, as well as residents from the study area. Finelli questioned what the eventual outcome will be from this study. Chester said that the primary purpose is to develop a marketing plan for the existing businesses and museums, as well as providing incentives for future economic development. The study may also lead to recommendations being made to the Planning and Zoning Commission. Motion made by Okonuk, seconded by Bendoraitis to appoint the following nine people to the Village Center Stakeholder Committee: John Bendoraitis (Selectmen member); Robin Chesmer (Planning & Zoning Commission member and Town Center resident); David Fields (PZC member); Ellen Macauley (Economic Development Commission Chairman); Patricia McCarthy (LCBA President); Jason Nowosad (Town Center resident); Alicia Wayland (Town Center resident and Town Historian); Wesley Wentworth (Town Center resident and member of Lebanon Historical Society) and Steven Zickmann (Town Center resident), terms to end at the completion of the project. Vote: Yes (2) Okonuk and Bendoraitis, Abstain (1) Finelli. Motion carries.
- 4.0 Motion made by Finelli, seconded by Okonuk to adjourn at 5:15 pm. Vote: Yes, unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Joyce R. Okonuk, First Selectman