TOWN OF MARLBORO REGULAR SELECTBOARD MEETING

Thursday, November 8, 2012

ATTENDANCE:

Present were select board members Craig Hammond, chair; Andrea Livermore and Pieter van Loon. Also present were Adam Gebb, chair of the Conservation Commission; Linda Peters, Town Treasurer, and Marcia Hamilton, Select Board Assistant.

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting came to order at 4:30 PM.

APPROVAL AND SIGNATURE OF PAY ORDERS:

The Board approved and signed pay orders.

SCHEDULED AND UNSCHEDULED TIME:

No member of the public was present during the unscheduled open public comment period.

Adam Gebb distributed Conservation Commission minutes of the November 5, 2012 meeting. He cited *Conserving Vermont's Natural Heritage*, A Guide to Community Based Planning for the Conservation of Vermont's Fish, Wildlife and Biological Diversity. In the book, the State of Vermont recommends undeveloped buffers around or near specific habitat niches in town. Adam suggested Marlboro identify certain habitat niches through inventory and education of town boards, commissions and residents. He said mast stands are critical for bear habitat. We need to have a sizeable buffer around key ecological places

Linda Peters reviewed the Town Budget with the select board. Concern was raised about salaries and benefits. Discussions will resume at the December 27 meeting when more information is available and apparent as the FY 2012 budget comes to a close.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The Board approved the meeting minutes of 10/25/2012.

OLD BUSINESS:

The board deliberated on the Adams Brook Road hearing to accept and discontinue certain portions of Adams Brook Road. The Decision will be rendered in a written document within 60 days. Separate minutes of the hearing of this date are available.

NEW BUSINESS:

The board discussed municipal planning consultation with John Bennett, planner at Windham Regional Commission, and the Planning Commission (PC). Pieter will call Matt Tell, PC chair, and see how best to proceed. He will then schedule time on the SB agenda.

INFORMATION ITEMS AND MAIL:

There were no other items or mail for discussion.

ADJOURN:

The meeting adjourned at 7:04 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Marcia Hamilton, Select Board Assistant