Town of West Brookfield-Board of Selectmen  
Minutes of Meeting-Regular Session – August 26, 2008

LOCATION: Town Hall - Lower Level Conference Room  TIME: 6:30PM  
PRESENT: Barry Nadon, Jr., Tom Long, David Eisenthal, Johanna Barry, Executive Secretary and members of press.  

Call To Order: 6:30PM - The meeting was called to order by Barry at 6:30pm.

Accept Minutes:  
Tom motioned to accept the minutes of July 29, 2008 (Regular Session) and August 7, 2008 (Regular Session), as presented. Second David. The Board voted unanimously.

David motioned to accept the minutes of August 12, 2008 (Regular Session) and August 14, 2008 (Regular Session), noting Tom opened the meeting. Second Tom. The Board voted David and Tom – yes, Barry – abstain.

Division of Local Services Forecaster Program:  
David explained the DOR’s Forecaster Program; noting that the Treasurer, Accountant and Executive Secretary had been given a brief introduction to the program by him earlier in the week. Noting that the program would be a helpful tool for financial forecasting, Tom motioned to send a letter to the DOR requesting free training on the program. Second David. The Board voted unanimously.

Proposed Detours – Long Hill Road Bridge Project:  
The Board gave a brief overview of the proposed detours relating to MassHighway's Project to replace the Long Hill Road Bridge and the various concerns with the detours. David motioned to send a letter to MassHighway stating the Town’s concerns with the proposed detours. Second Tom. The Board voted unanimously. The Board agreed to notify Senator Brewer and Representative Gobi.

Follow Up – Abandoned Boat on Douglas Road:  
The Board received a quote from ABCD Recycling to remove the boat and also two (2) leads from the Police Department of individuals willing to remove the boat for free. Tom motioned to allow the first police contact to have the boat. If the boat is not removed within three (3) business days the second contact may have the boat. Second David. The Board voted unanimously. Johanna will notify the appropriate parties.

Tree Removal At Library:  
Library Director wrote the Board to inform them that the Library would be removing the apple tree in front of the Library due to staining and soiling on carpets from patrons walking through the fallen apples and also issues with bees. The Library plans to replace the tree with a birch tree; to be planted in honor of Winthrop Gay. Library Custodian, Clay Takorian is donating his tree removal services.

BOH Mutual Aid Agreement:  
The Board took the Agreement under advisement.

Constellation NewEnergy:  
Johanna provided the Board with an email from Constellation NewEnergy about its “Blend & Extend” program; relating to the Towns Electricity Contract and potential savings by extending the current Contract. The Board took the information under advisement.

Residential Student Summary:  
After some discussion, the Board agreed to send a letter to the Dr. Malvey requested resolve to the missing forty-five (45) students on the Town’s Residential Student Summary.

The Board adjourned at approximately 7:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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Chairman   Vice Chairman   Clerk