Town of West Brookfield-Board of Selectmen
Minutes of Meeting - Regular Session – July 26, 2011

LOCATION: Town Hall – Lower Level Conference Meeting Room
TIME: 6:30PM
PRESENT: Barry Nadon Jr., Mike Frew, Mark Long, Johanna Barry – Executive Secretary, local access t.v. and members of the press.

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

Accept Minutes:
Mike motioned to accept the minutes of June 14, 2011 (Regular Session), June 28, 2011 (Regular Session) and July 12, 2011 (Regular Session). Second Mark. The Board voted unanimously.

Al Collings – Lake Dredging Project:
Al Collings provided the Board with an update on the status of the Lake Wickaboag Dredging Project. (Ralph Carlson, John Frizzell, Jason Paquette, Melvin Dorman & Sarah Allen were in attendance.)

Police Chief – Cruiser Replacement:
After some discussion, Mark motioned to approve the police departments request to purchase a new cruiser out of the Fleet Account, noting that the camera system would be approved contingent upon approval by a majority vote of the Advisory Committee. Second Mike. The Board voted unanimously.

CMRPC Alternate Appointment Request:
The Board took CMRPC’s request to appoint an alternate member under advisement.

American Legion Post 244 – Road Naming Request:
At the request of the Legion, Mike motioned to purchase and install a “FREEDOM WAY” sign at the beginning of the American Legion’s driveway; pending approval from the Planning Board. Second Mark. The Board voted unanimously.

Kara Kozlowski Bigda – Request to Use Likeness Image of Town Seal:
Mike motioned to allow Ms. Bigda permission to use a likeness image of the Town Seal under statute 268 s35 in her artwork to be displayed in the Quinebaug Valley Council for the Arts 100 ft Art Wall this Aug. Second Mark. The Board voted unanimously.

Community Preservation Act (CPA):
The Board stated that a speaker would be present at the upcoming Regional Selectmen’s Meeting in Brookfield to provide information relating to the Community Preservation Act (CPA) and how it works. They encouraged the public to attend.

Rice Fountain Restoration Committee:
Mike asked the Board to consider creating a Fountain Restoration Committee to insure the project moves forward. The Board agreed to invite the Common Committee, Historical Committee, Historical Society and a representative from the church into the next meeting to share information and discuss options.

Highway:
After some discussion, Mike motioned to hire a full time highway employee at a Grade 8 Step 1. The posting should be internal and posted tomorrow. Those interested should be directed to submit a letter of interest to the Selectboard within the next five (5) business days. Second Mark. The Board voted Mike and Mark – yes, Barry – no.

Superintendent Daley stated that he was working on a Contract between Kleinfelder (SEA) Consultants, Inc and the Town for the approved School Street/Route 67 Project.

Jason Paquette stated that he was willing to pay 50% of the paving costs for Foster Road, a public way 633 ft., if the Town were to pave the way this year. After some discussion, Mike motioned to accept Mr. Paquette's offer, pending approval from Town Council. Second Mark. The Board voted unanimously.

The Board adjourned at approximately 7:40pm.
Respectfully submitted,

Chairman    Vice Chairman    Clerk