

**MINUTES OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING  
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2010  
HOPE TOWN OFFICE  
6:30 P.M.**

*Note: These minutes may not be considered an official public record until such time as they are read and accepted by the Board of Selectmen.*

**Board Members Present:** Barbara Bentley, Tim Pearse, Mike Ames, Ray Sisk, Kathleen Hastings

**Others Present:** Jon Duke, Wendy Pelletier, Leslie Robinson

**I. Call the Meeting to Order**

Barbara Bentley called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

**II. Minutes**

**a. Minutes of the February 9, 2010 meeting of the Board of Selectmen**

Tim Pearse moved, and Mike Ames seconded, a motion to approve the minutes of the February 9<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Board of Selectmen. **Motion passed 5-0.**

**III. Selectmen's Roundtable**

- Next regular meeting will be at the Hope Town Office on March 9<sup>th</sup> .

**IV. Town Administrator's Report**

- An ad has been circulated for the soon-to-be vacant position of Town Clerk and to this point we have received nearly 20 resumes. I expect to receive several more in the week remaining. Interviews will commence shortly after the application closing date of March 2<sup>nd</sup> in hopes of having someone presented for the Board's consideration for appointment at the March 9<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**V. Old Business**

**VI. New Business**

**a. Interim Town Clerk/Tax Collector appointment**

Ray Sisk made a motion to appoint Jonathan Duke as interim Town Clerk and Tax Collector beginning March 1, 2010. Tim Pearse seconded. **Motion passed 5-0.**

**b. Discharge of Tax Collector Collections**

Tim Pearse made a motion to discharge Florance Merrifield from the duties of collecting uncollected taxes from Tax Years 2003-2010. Kathleen Hastings seconded. **Motion passed 4-0. (Sisk Absent)**

**c. Approval of Warrants**

Tim Pearse moved, and Mike Ames seconded, a motion to approve Warrants 64-66. **Motion approved 4-0. (Sisk absent)**

Tim Pearse made a motion to adjourn as the Board of Selectmen and convene as the Board of Assessors. Mike Ames seconded. **Motion passed 4-0 (Sisk absent)**

## **VII. Board of Assessors**

### **a. Tax Re-commitment 2010**

Tim Pearse made a motion to direct Jonathan Duke to collect the remaining monies uncollected during the Tax Year 2010. Mike Ames seconded. **Motion passed 4-0. (Sisk absent)**

Tim Pearse made a motion to adjourn as the Board of Assessors and reconvene as the Board of Selectmen. Mike Ames seconded. **Motion passed 4-0 (Sisk absent)**

## **VIII. Adjournment**

Tim Pearse moved to adjourn at 7:45 pm. Mike Ames seconded. **Motion passed 5-0.**