

**Center Harbor Board of Selectmen  
Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, February 6, 2008**

Chairman Scott Davis called the meeting to order at 7:24 p.m. following the conclusion of the 2008 Budget Hearing. Present were Selectmen Randy Mattson and Charley Hanson. Al Small, Rachel Small, Gene Manville, Bart Coudert, Maureen Criasia, Bernie Volz, Palmer Smith, Doris Smith, Police Chief Mark Chase, Emergency Management Director David Hughes, Meredith News reporter Danielle Delisle, Laconia Citizen Reporter Erin Plummer and Selectmen's Secretary Robin Woodaman were also in attendance.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Ms. Mattson motioned to accept the minutes of the January 30, 2008 Selectmen's meeting. Mr. Hanson seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

**APPOINTMENTS:** None

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**2008 TOWN WARRANT:** The Selectmen reviewed the 2008 Town Warrant. Mr. Hanson suggested moving Article 24 "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$60,000 for the removal of any structures or other features of land that are a clear and present danger to the health and well being of the citizens of Center Harbor" to Article 3 because it effects all of the Town; the other Selectmen agreed.

Ms. Mattson suggested moving Article 25 " To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 for the purpose of aquatic weed infestation treatment" to right after the Parks & Recreation article because it applies to the Town dock area; the other Selectmen agreed.

Ms. Woodaman explained the warrant articles have been submitted to State of New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration representative Michelle Clark for review.

**WATER TEST RESULTS:** Ms. Criasia reported researching the chloride level over 250 mg that was recently reported on a water test of the Municipal Building. She explained it is most likely due to pollution and suggested installing a filter connected to the water cooler. Mr. Hanson would like a State of New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services representative asked about the chloride level. Mr. Davis motioned to ask Seely Plumbing to order the water cooler, but not install it, pending clarification of the water test. Mr. Hanson seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

**KELSEA AVE./KELLEY COURT DRAINAGE PROJECT:** The Selectmen reviewed, and Mr. Davis signed, Change Order #3 in the amount of \$8,473.00. This change is due to a revised drainage outlet on Kelley Court that includes 100 feet of treatment swale, additional clearing and changing out the 30" opening slab top to a 24" opening slab top.

**SHEAFE HARBOR HOUSE (SHH):** Mr. Volz asked the status of the Sheafe Harbor House. Ms. Mattson reported a document was filed at the Court, but the attorney representing the Town was unable to provide any more information to the Selectmen prior to this evening's meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**COMPREHENSIVE SHORELAND PROTECTION ACT PRESENTATION:** Ms. Mattson reported the Conservation Commission and Commissioner Maureen Criasia have scheduled State of New Hampshire

Department of Environmental Services representative Arlene Allen to present the revised rules and regulations effective April 1, 2008; this presentation is scheduled for Tuesday, April 15, 2008 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in the Cary Mead Room. Ms. Mattson recommended that Town Clerk Sheila Mohan and Code Enforcement Officer Ken Ballance also attend, even though they have attended a presentation on the revised rules and regulations. Ms. Mattson suggested having flyers available at Town Meeting to inform residents of this presentation and the other Selectmen agreed.

**TOWN MEETING HANDOUTS:** Ms. Mattson suggested having handouts available at Town Meeting describing openings on various boards and committees; Mr. Hanson suggested including the volunteer application form. Mr. Volz suggested having a job description for each of the positions needed and Ms. Drenkhahn suggested including an estimated time commitment. Mr. Coudert suggested having information on electrical options.

**CURRENT BILLS PAYABLE:** The Selectmen reviewed, and approved the payroll and accounts payable manifests as presented.

### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

**TOWN ATTORNEY DOUG HILL:** The Selectmen reviewed an email received from Town Attorney Hill regarding cluster developments; this will be forwarded to the Planning Board.

**MAUREEN CRIASIA:** The Selectmen reviewed an email received from Ms. Criasia with correspondence between her and State of New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (DES) representative Amy Smagula. Ms. Smagula reported there is no charge for her time to perform the Field Mapping & Option Plan for the Town docks area, no charge for the time of state divers, but reporting divers for hire will probably charge between \$25 and \$150 per hour. Ms. Smagula reported a diver must either be a Weed Control Diver certified through a DES class, or have a Wetlands permit to be able to handpick milfoil.

**ROBERT SWETT:** The Selectmen reviewed an email received from Mr. Swett, who reported he had worked many years ago plumbing the little rental cabins at the rear of the Sheafe Harbor House property. He stated "it has been very painful seeing the Select Board's have such a difficult time to have an eye sore removed, but it looks like things are going in the right direction for a change. I watched those buildings being moved to that spot and had bad vibes at the time that things would not turn out as planned. I wish you every bit of success in your endeavor and hope the funds will be voted to end this saga".

**CHRISTINE BUHRMAN:** The Selectmen reviewed an email received from Ms. Buhrman expressing her concern about dead trees on Anthon and High Haith Roads. She explained her parents visited the Town Office in the fall of 2006 regarding the trees. The Selectmen were informed that Ms. Burhman's father has gone to the Inter-Lakes Superintendent of Schools office twice to discuss the dead trees and asked for the bus route to be changed if the Town doesn't remove the trees. Ms. Buhrman reported she is more acutely concerned since February and March are fast approaching and those months are generally accompanied by heavy, wet snow and swirling winds. She reported the tree of most concern is located near mailbox #89 on Anthon Road. Mr. Hanson explained Road Agent Jeff Haines was aware of the trees and had plans to take care of them; Mr. Haines is on medical leave. Mr. Davis will examine the tree and contact the Public Works foreman in reference to this matter.

**JOANNE PLUMMER:** The Selectmen reviewed correspondence received from Joanne Plummer reporting she is opening a small therapeutic massage and body work practice, Dancing Leaf Therapeutic Massage, at her residence. Ms. Plummer explained typically there will be only one person/vehicle in her yard at any given time for business purposes. She explained occasionally she may teach a class of no more than four students. Ms. Plummer reported she has no intentions for signage as it is an appointment only practice; but she may hang a small wooden plaque under her mail box or paint her business name on her mail box.

**FEDERAL SIGNAL CREDIT CORP:** The Selectmen reviewed an email sent to Fire Chief John Schlemmer from Dennis Doheny of Federal Signal Credit Corp. explaining that a new fire truck could be financed at an interest rate of 4.21% and they would reduce the current fire truck loan interest rate from 4.95% to 3.89% at the time the order would be placed for the new pumper. Then, when the new pumper arrives, Federal Signal Credit Corp. would agree to extend the maturity of the lease to extend it another 10 years (15 years in total) and match the 10-year interest rate on the new pumper – 4.21%. Mr. Davis reported Chief Schlemmer had informed the Selectmen of this program promoting a reduction in the finance rate if the Town was interested in purchasing another fire vehicle.

**ADDITIONAL BUSINESS:**

**CONSERVATION COMMISSION (CC):** Ms. Criasia reported the commissioners in attendance at the Tuesday, February 5, 2008 meeting recommended the warrant article to appropriate funds for the treatment of the infestation of aquatic weeds; Ms. Criasia will be the spokesperson at Town Meeting for this warrant article.

**INTER-LAKES SCHOOL DISTRICT SB2 PETITION:** Ms. Drenkhahn reported the Inter-Lakes School District has received a petition to become a SB2 district. She explained there are currently two representatives from each town in the district plus one member at large. The School District will hold a public hearing in the Cary Mead Room on Thursday, February 21, 2008 at 6:30 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT:** At 8:23 p.m. Mr. Hanson motioned to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Mattson seconded the motion; the motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Robin Woodaman  
Selectmen's Secretary