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Candia Selectmen's Public Meeting Minutes
Monday August 13, 2012

Attendance: Chairman Joe Duarte, Vice-Chair Richard Snow, Selectman Fred Kelley, Selectman Amanda Soares, Selectman David DePuy, Selectmen's Assistant Cheryl Eastman, and Administrative Assistant Andria Hansen.

7:00 p.m. Chairman Duarte called the Public Meeting to order and immediately followed with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Board to accept ATV from the Candia Volunteer Fire Association. Matt Richter the President of the Candia Volunteer Fire Association was present. He explained through fund raising and the assistance of a state grant they were able to come up with \$17,000 in funds to purchase the Polaris Ranger ATV. They outfitted it with a medical rescue bed. It's ready to use and hopefully they won't need it. This is something he felt would benefit the Town. The Association would like to donate this to the Town. Selectman Kelley asked if there was a title on this. Matt replied that Fire Chief Young has taken care of that stuff and left it with Administrative Assistant Sharon Robichaud. It's from the association and dedicated to the town. Selectman Kelley motioned to accept the Polaris ATV from the Candia Volunteer Fire Association to the Town. Seconded by Chairman Duarte. All were in favor. Motion carried. Selectman Snow asked what the value of the ATV was. Matt informed him it cost \$17,688.

District 4 Executive Council candidate Chuck Rolecek to meet with Board. Mr. Rolecek introduced himself. He explained that he is running for Executive Council in District 4. The seat is currently occupied by Ray Wieczorek. He is currently a Bedford resident. He has been in Bedford for the last 12 years, prior to that he was in Londonderry for 10 years, and lived in Hudson for 5 years. He is a 27 year resident of the State. He's been a business man for the past 35 years. First through the major corporation United Airlines throughout the United States. He moved to New Hampshire in 1985 and opened up his first of many small businesses called Premier catering. He was Manchester Airport's first airline caterer in 1987. The business grew over the next 14 years but unfortunately the events that occurred on 9/11 had a major and dramatic impact on the airline industry. Eventually the business ceased to exist around 2004. He felt being a business person he had great employees one of which is in the room tonight. He continued to open other operations including CR Sparks's restaurant, the Events Center, and the Hanover Street Chop House in Manchester. He also has some business interest up in Burlington Vermont and he's owned catering businesses as far west as Colorado. After 35 years in business he felt he has garnered the skills necessary to get into political life and this is his reason to run for District 4. He felt his management experience coupled with his concern for people, citizen's, and employees makes him an excellent candidate for this job which is management and administrative in nature. The Executive Council has a very important job and if he had more time he would explain exactly what it does. This is a question he hears more than his position or his issues. It's basically the Board of Directors for the Governor. The State is divided into five sections

and Candia is part of a 19 community district called District 4. He believes his knowledge of contracts, budget, and hiring good people are all skills that he's honed over the past 35 years. He felt this made him a very good candidate for the position. He has been involved with many charitable organizations. He's been part of the Elliot Hospital Board of Trustees and also been a St. Anselm College Trustee. He felt when you couple that with New Hampshire charitable and the Chamber of Commerce he thought he had a good sense of community. He's proud of his track record as a business person and he would make an excellent candidate. Candia is close and far altogether from Manchester. He's gotten to know the community in the last few weeks. There is four weeks until the election and he is looking forward to visiting the businesses and the various public offices here to get to know people a little bit better. His style is hands on and that is the way he ran his business. He would bring transparency, integrity, and communication to the Executive Council. He has a website which is chuckroleceknh.com and he would appreciate your consideration and vote. Citizen Bob Martel of High Street said he has known Mr. Rolecek for 23 years and he has employed his wife for 21 years of that. He is an excellent gentleman and a wonderful man. He mentioned that 15 years ago when he moved to Town no one knew him, but now when the name "Martel" comes up he hopes it's with respect. He wants the audience to know that he respects this gentleman, he's true to his word, and you'll see his campaign sign in front of his house and he will be voting for him. He holds true to the values and hopes everyone casts a vote for Mr. Rolecek in September.

Departmental Reports: Highway, Police, Fire, Building, Solid Waste, Welfare & any other depts.

Highway: Road Agent Lewis read from the attached report. They are doing road reconstruction on Patten Hill Road. He plans on paving it on August 27th. Hopefully it will be completed on time and within budget. He's been taking the fill to the new recycling center. Its ledge fill and not compacted so it will settle.

Police: Chief McGillen noted there have been a couple of commercial break-ins recently. The DC Mobile Station got hit. Sergeant Gallagher and Officer Gray have been working this case and have some leads. They are working with other agencies and it's a small group hitting similar gas stations and convenience stores in different areas around the State. The BP station was broken into, but there was nothing there. He thought it might be a copycat type of thing. The front door was smashed. Domestic violence seem to be on the increase, its summer and we have been busy with that type of activity. He mentioned that residents were wondering what happened the other evening because there were a bunch of cruisers in Town. A couple of weeks ago the State Police had an individual take off in Bedford and he went through Manchester. They used spike strips to try to stop him. He made it all the way to Candia (Ace Hardware). There were two men taken into custody. Candia wasn't really involved with the pursuit; they just came on the tail end of it. They had minimal involvement. The ACO van has some major issues. The underside is so rusted it won't pass inspection in March. It has low mileage 70,000 – 80,000. He would like to talk about it further since budget season is coming upon us and maybe gets some numbers on a used downsized vehicle. It's a full sized Chevy van now

which he doesn't think he needs. He was thinking about a minivan. He'll research this and get back to the Board. He felt the van wasn't worth putting another penny into. The break lines have been replaced once and they need to be replaced again. He mentioned they've had a resident fall victim to a scam. They sent \$6,000 to a bank in California. This has happened a few times in Candia and they try to get the information out to the people. This person saw something they wanted to buy on Craigslist. He thought he was dealing with a legitimate person and getting a real good deal so he sent the money. These people are using fictitious emails. It's almost impossible for us to trace the IT addresses. They have to go through the County Attorney's Office and get search warrants. Then they find out there's an address in California and they have to get the cooperation of the officials out there. It's usually someone on a laptop in McDonald's and there is no way to trace it. He's going to try to get something out in the papers. This has happened a few times this year. Selectman Soares asked if he had a price range on a new ACO van. Chief McGillen replied he would like to look at a used minivan in \$8,000 range.

Fire: Selectman Kelley read from the attached report. He mentioned the department set up a burn out pit at the car show the other night. It went over well. They had about 200 people there. Selectman Snow said they were going to get something from the Fire Department on the process of allocating the \$40,000. Selectman Kelley replied they already sent it in a long time ago. Selectmen's Assistant Cheryl Eastman explained in November they are going to give us the total hours that have been put in and what the points are. Selectman Snow said he was looking for something so they would have some numbers now. Selectman Kelley replied they don't know what the numbers are now.

Building: Selectman Soares read from the attached report. She mentioned Building Inspector Murray did have a person complain so she asked him to come to the meeting to explain what happened. Building Inspector Murray said he had the opportunity to walk around with Darryl Champney next to the Pepper's property. He had concerns about cutting going across the boundaries onto his land. After walking out there with Mr. Champney he didn't observe anything like that. He thought the Pepper's were well within their boundaries. He questioned how much cutting they were supposed to be doing when there is a conservation easement on it. He didn't see any recent cutting, but within the last year there has been a lot of cutting going on. He asked if the Conservation Commission needed to go see what was going on. Selectman Soares asked if they had filed an intent to cut. Selectmen's Assistant Eastman replied they filed one last year. Road Agent Lewis explained as far as an easement goes it doesn't prevent you from cutting, you can log, clear for a field or anything like that. You just can't develop it. There are no restrictions for cutting. Selectman Soares noted any time you cut you need to fill out an intent. She noted Mr. Champney's other concern was that Mr. Critchett was cutting the wood. Building Inspector Murray clarified Mr. Champney was concerned the boundaries were being crossed. He advised him to walk the boundaries with Surveyor Jim Franklin. He thought Mr. Champney might be a little confused where his boundaries are. Chairman Duarte thought the land was just surveyed. Building Inspector Murray said he found all of the pins himself and Mr. Champney didn't seem to agree with it. Selectman Snow asked if he spoke with Mr. Pepper as well. Building Inspector Murray said he has never met Mr. Pepper and he just spoke with Mr. Champney.

Solid Waste: Selectman DePuy noted there is material taken out of Patten Hill Road and being dumped at the easterly end of the Recycling Center. It's creating more area there and at some point they are talking about getting a trailer. It would be located just beyond where those concrete barriers are now on the other side. This would allow the storage of the bales, cans, and aluminum. They are currently being stored in the Recycling Center. There is a limited amount of space in the Recycling Center. The price is low for what we get paid for these recyclables and the Recycling Center is full. We are going to be forced to sell them at a lower price than we'd like. If they had more storage they could wait until the price comes up and try to get a better price. This is an area that could be used for some type of storage. Household Hazardous Waste Day will be held on September 15th and resident Paul McHugh has printed up 1,500 flyers that he's donated to the Town that will be handed out. He has had signs printed that will be put up around Town. All of this was at no charge thanks to Mr. McHugh. Selectman DePuy read from the attached report. Facility Operator Chuck Whitcher has a sandwich board that varies from week to week. He's trying to get a message across on how the Town can save money and try to use the Recycling Center to recycle whatever we can. Selectman Kelley asked why was the burn pit moved. Selectman DePuy replied he wasn't sure but would find out. Selectman Kelley asked about the gravel and they need to watch where it's going because it's getting real close to the wetlands. He thought the law said they needed to be so many feet away and right now we're real close. Selectman DePuy said he looked at it on Saturday and he thought it looked ok. Selectman Kelley said when they built that place DES told us don't go there. Road Agent Lewis would like to see the plans and he will go to measure it in the morning. He asked who moved the burn pit because they would have to move the cement blocks. He asked where it was moved to. Selectman Soares replied where you've been dumping the dirt. Selectman Snow wondered how they managed to move the burn pit. Selectman Kelley said he was there Sunday and it was moved. Road Agent Lewis noted he was there the other day and nothing had been moved. Selectman Soares asked if the Town was going to have to purchase the trailer for the storage of commodities. She mentioned when she was on the Solid Waste Committee they looked into this and it is a costly endeavor. Selectman DePuy said this is something we might do and presumed they would have to purchase a trailer. He's not into renting. The thought was to get a trailer and take the legs off, so they don't have to go up a ramp. Only if this makes sense to economically do it. Selectman Kelley suggested he go to Page Street because they have storage containers that they sometimes want to get rid of. You can buy them at a reasonable price. Selectman Soares noted buying a trailer is pricey. You have to maintain it and cutting the legs off tends to be a liability because then it's going to rot. This was something they had thought about when they were building the facility and it was a costly endeavor.

The Board to review the draft of the hauling RFP. Selectman DePuy said there should be a copy of the RFP in the folders (see attached). Facility Operator Whitcher took the RFP from a couple of years ago and made some changes. He basically pulled out what was inapplicable. Selectman DePuy thought this looked appropriate and he's looked at our present contract and it looked like everything is covered. Selectman Kelley said he talked with Facility Operator Whitcher about the contract and they both agree it looks

good and let's go with it. Chairman Duarte asked what the difference was between the old and new RFP. Selectman Kelley replied just the numbers. Selectman Soares asked if they checked with Moore School Maintenance Director Peter Barbuto to make sure things didn't change on the school side. Selectman DePuy thought that Facility Operator Whitcher included what the school uses, so it would be part of the request. Selectman DePuy motioned to adopt this request for proposal as drafted. Seconded by Selectman Snow. All were in favor. Motion carried. Selectman Soares asked if we have a list of people that we are going to send this out to or are we just going to post it. Selectman DePuy thought both. They have a list so they will send it out to those people and we'll post it. Selectman Soares asked that Casella be added to the list. Selectman DePuy suggested posting it on the website.

Parks & Recs: Selectman Snow read from the attached report. He has been working with Selectman Kelley to make sure things go smoothly for Old Home Day.

Administration: Selectman Snow said he expected to have available a rough draft of the 2013 operating budget and the warrant articles to be considered for the next Selectmen's meeting.

Hawkers and Peddlers License: Chairman Duarte asked Chief McGillen about Hawkens and Peddlers licenses for the Old Home Day vendors and what are they going to do about it. Chief McGillen said a lot of Towns have a policy that goes a little further then what the State requires. Selectman Soares asked if there was a policy. Chief McGillen replied we don't have a policy, but if someone comes out soliciting they are suppose to have that license by the State and we can enforce that. Some Towns have extra requirements and charge a fee and they can issue the permit under State law. They do back ground checks and the State doesn't do that, so someone could come into Town and they don't know who is approaching houses. There are Towns that have a policy in place, but they exempt Town Fairs. This would be up to the Board to adopt a policy. He would like to be involved with it if they do adopt one. He noted with Old Home Day coming soon it would be difficult for them to require something. Chairman Duarte asked if they have run into any problems in the past. Chief McGillen replied that no one has brought this to his attention. Chairman Duarte asked if the vendors are mostly local people. Chief McGillen said they know most of the people and they will have Police Officers on duty. Selectman Kelley noted they have never had to ask for a vendor's license from anyone and most of them are local. He further noted if you start adding more fees you're not going to get people to come. Chairman Duarte said as long as they are following the State guidelines he's not concerned. Chief McGillen suggested they defer to the Old Home Day Committee, because they're not going to be out there asking if people have a peddler's license. They've never done it and they have no plans of doing it. Citizen Ingrid Byrd noted a lot of Towns that have vendors of some kind are now asking for insurance coverage from individuals that set up. In Portsmouth there was a law suit for \$180,000 last year from someone who fell in the parking lot. They sued the vendors in reach and the Town. The Board may want to think about this. Chairman Duarte would like to set some time aside and work on seeing what it is we want to do to protect our interest as far as the Town is concerned.

Parks & Rec continued. Citizen Ingrid Byrd asked what the Ricky McGregor Memorial Pine Grove is. Selectman Snow explained several years ago Mr. McGregor cut down a couple of big trees for us. He told Mr. McGregor that he would try to remember his son in memory of that. He has a tree that has been transplanted twice that came from the original tree that Mr. McGregor cut down. He wanted to make a Ricky McGregor Memorial. He would like to honor his memory. Citizen Ingrid Byrd replied you can't do that by yourself it's for the whole Board to decide. She felt it was very laudable, but it's not an individual's prerogative. Chairman Duarte asked if there were any further questions. Citizen Ingrid Byrd asked what the Riverside Park Picnic Area is. Selectman Snow said there is an area down behind Moore Park where there is a little river and he thought it would be a beautiful place for a picnic area. It has its pluses and minuses, but he's looking at the possibility.

Selectman Kelley to give Old Home Day update. Selectman Kelley said everything is coming along nicely. He has a problem with the park and more people have complained to him about how gross and nasty it looks. They're asking why they can't keep it mowed and why is the brush out back. He wants it mowed and weed whacked before Old Home Day or he is going to pay someone to do it out of his own pocket. Selectman Snow said he was going to take care of it probably the week after this one and it would be done before Old Home Day. Selectman Kelley said he needed the key to the concession stand for the people who will be selling concessions on movie night. Selectman Snow said he gave Mr. Osborn a copy of the key. He's with the Boy Scouts and will be there on movie night. Selectman Snow said he could get copies of the key if needed and the bathrooms are unlocked. The movie is Friday night after the spaghetti supper and Saturday there will be the road race. Selectman Snow asked about the road race and it's noted that people can park in the parking lot between the library and the school. He asked if they were going to be setting up for the car show then. He asked if they got permission from the school to use that. Selectman Kelley replied yes and it's been taken care of.

Library parking lot. Selectman Kelley said he's got complaints from a few residents. The library blocked off the parking so people couldn't park there who were attending Ron Thomas's funeral. They need to send a letter to the library to inform them they don't own the parking lot, it belongs to the Town. The Board needs to inform them who funds the library every year. They need to be able to open that parking lot up when people want to park, especially for a funeral. Selectman Soares said at the Old Home Day Committee meeting Mr. Godfrey clearly stated the Library Trustees don't want us parking there. The library is going to remain open and we are not allowed to park there. Mr. Godfrey informed them if there are any residents or non-residents that park there for Old Home Day he will have their car towed. They are not willing to work with us. Chairman Duarte thought they could send an email to our Town Attorney and see what they could do. Selectman Kelley said some residents want to know why we don't have an American flag flying in front of the library. Chairman Duarte can't understand why they don't want to cooperate. Chairman Duarte couldn't understand why there isn't any give with them. Selectman Kelley agreed and Old Home Day is for all of the residents in this Town. They work hard to put this together and they won't close their doors for four

hours. Chairman Duarte would like to see what the legal ramifications are. He also found it strange that we have an individual who has served his community for over 40 years and people can't park to attend his funeral.

Selectman Snow mentioned they have found EEE in Manchester. It might be a good idea to have Building Inspector Murray check with the State and see if we have any problems here so we know what the threats are. Selectman Kelley said if Selectman Snow mowed the grass it wouldn't be a problem. Selectman Snow replied mosquitos don't breed in grass. Citizen Judy Szot asked if there was a policy on mowing the grass i.e. around the buildings and the park. She questioned why this is a problem suddenly. Chairman Duarte felt it was getting done and he didn't know of any problems. Selectman Kelley said they used to mow it more than once a year.

Chairman Duarte to give update on revenues and expenses. Chairman Duarte said it looks like as of July 31st we have 40% of our budget left. He felt the department heads are doing a really good job. They are going to try to level fund the budget for next year. It's important that we control spending, watch what we're doing and try to do what's best for the community overall. Hopefully they will work it out.

Other Business

The Board to appoint Bob Petrin to the ZBA as an alternate member. Selectman Soares said Mr. Petrin came to their last ZBA meeting. He expressed interest in being an alternate. He met with the ZBA and the members thought he would be a good addition to the Board. They made a motioned to recommend his appointment to the Selectmen. *Selectman Soares motioned to appoint Bob Petrin as an alternate member to the ZBA.* ZBA Chairman Boyd Chivers said our Board was unanimously in support of appointing Mr. Petrin. Selectman Snow asked if a letter came to the office from the ZBA. Selectman Soares said the Chairman of the ZBA is here this evening. Chairman Duarte called for a second. *Seconded by Selectman Kelley. All were in favor. Motion carried.*

Old Recycling Center closure. Selectman Kelley asked what they are doing about the closure. Chairman Duarte said they are waiting to hear from Scott Knightly of EnviroVantage and then we will schedule a meeting. They will move forward from there. Selectman Kelley asked why they weren't looking at the other bids that came in. Chairman Duarte replied we don't have other bids coming in. They had one bid and we had the RFQ's and RFP's set forth and unless they qualify for those we don't have to. We had a closed and open session on that. He was able to take a look at what the gentleman (Danley Demolition) sent in and he can't handle what we need. We have to go by what we advertised and what we're looking for. Selectman Soares told Chairman Duarte he was incorrect. She spoke with Mr. Danley and he can handle dealing with the ash and he is qualified. He has dealt with hazardous material before. He was sent this bid and he chose not to bid on the ash because he didn't want to deal with the exorbitant cost. He is very much a qualified individual and the group that came up with the specs sent him one specifically. Mr. Danley was asked a year before. When the petition went out to look at the site and building by Mr. Cartier. Chairman Duarte asked Administrative Assistant

Hansen if she asked Mr. Danley about the ash. She said Mr. Danley wasn't interested in removing the ash. Chairman Duarte noted this is the reason he didn't pursue it any further. Selectman Soares stated we sat down with EnviroVantage and we broke up the bids. You told them we could take the buildings down for \$27,000 and then we will work on the ash and the site work after the March vote when people vote on the money. You broke it up into two bids after the bid was in. You changed the bid which allows for Mr. Danley to come in and bid on the buildings just like EnviroVantage did. Chairman Duarte replied no we did not \$129,000 was the total bid. We went the two ways because we only have \$35,000 up front and we couldn't pay for the whole thing. So we suggested they work something out for us so we can pay and we can put it in the budget for next year so we can pay in full. The number is the same it's still \$129,000 and it's still the same bid. Until someone tells us we can do something legally different that is the way it is. He asked Mr. Danley if he wanted to get involved with this and he said no. Chairman Duarte stated he was not taking any comments from the audience. Selectman Soares replied you are going to waste the taxpayer's money, the \$35,000 that is in the incinerator trust fund. You are going to waste \$27,000 for someone to take down a building when you have someone qualified offering to take it down for \$3,000. You are going to blow that money away for nothing just because you want to and that is wrong. You have an obligation to go for the lowest price, save the people money and do what's right at that site and not piss away money. Chairman Duarte replied we aren't pissing away money. Selectman Soares stated you are spending \$27,000 instead of \$3,000. This is poor financial management and you know it. Chairman Duarte replied we are not going to argue over this. Mr. Danley offered to send his bid in and he offered to take it, Mr. Danley won't remove the ash and what did she want him to do. Selectman Soares noted this disqualified him from bidding, because they put the ash removal in the bid. When EnviroVantage sat down with the Board and you changed it in the meeting. You changed it for everyone that bid on that RFP, the bid was changed. Chairman Duarte replied no and it's the same amount. Chairman Duarte replied the Board sat down with them and if he remembers right Selectman Soares commented on how great they were. Selectman Soares stated this is because no one else on the Board bothered to check their references, how sad is that. Chairman Duarte stated he was closing this discussion down. When they meet with EnviroVantage she can say her peace. He's not going to argue about something they had all agreed on at one time. Selectman Soares replied we didn't all agree we didn't make a decision. She is not spending \$27,000 and pissing money away. This is taxpayers money we're pissing away - how dare you. Chairman Duarte stated he is moving on. He has had it here tonight with talking about things and we don't have the individuals here and we're changing things. He offered the gentleman what he thought was fair and he didn't want it. He is not taking any comments from the audience. Selectman Soares replied that's not fair to the audience. Chairman Duarte stated we haven't even voted on this yet. Selectman Kelley replied we need to accept a bid. He explained that Lee Danley sent in a quote and he will take down both buildings and get rid of the concrete for \$3,000. He stated wait until he puts this in the newspaper about what the Board of Selectmen are going to do. We're spending \$27,000 more than what we need to spend. Chairman Duarte replied go ahead and everyone had the opportunity to bid on this and all we got were three bids. We discussed the three we received and we didn't come up with a solution. We didn't have the money to do it in one section. He

asked if they could spread this out until they get another budget. We haven't got an answer yet. This is all we have done. He's received a couple of phone calls from Selectman Kelley and residents in Town. He asked that Mr. Danley send the bid to him. He asked about the ash and Mr. Danley doesn't want to haul it. This is where we're at and we're not finished with it yet. He doesn't care who does it as long as it's done inexpensively and done properly. So until they get together again there is nothing to discuss. We need the entire process completed and we're not going to take it piecemeal from one person. If he wants to spread it out between now and when we get money to pay for it next that would be fine. Selectman Soares replied you were going to take it piecemeal from EnviroVantage. You said we were going to sign one contract for the \$27,700 to get the buildings down and then in March we ask the voters for the other money to remove the ash and site work. If you can't seem to remember then read the minutes. This is piecemeal you are separating it into two contracts. Chairman Duarte replied you need to get your facts straight. Selectman Soares replied you need to get your facts straight and you need to get your head out of your butt and figure out what is going on. There are two contracts, because you separated it into two contracts. Chairman Duarte recessed the meeting. Selectman Soares replied we are not 5 years old. Chairman Duarte replied yes you are when you act like that. Selectman Soares refused and told Chairman Duarte that he is totally wrong and he needs to get himself in gear. You are totally wrong in this area and you can't even understand that. You separated it into two contracts. Chairman Duarte replied we did not separate it into two contracts. It's still \$129,000 and he's not going to discuss this anymore.

The Board to authorize payment of payroll checks and accounts payable checks. Chairman Duarte announced the grand total of payroll and accounts payable checks for August 2nd, August 9th, and August 16th is \$917,531.76. Selectman Snow motioned to accept the total payroll and accounts payable checks in the amount of \$917,531.76 for August 2nd, August 9th, and August 16th. Seconded by Selectman Kelley. All were in favor. Motion carried.

The Board to discuss the Critchett and Pepper easements. Selectman Snow informed the Board there was a delay and they'll take care of it on August 27th.

Approval of Previous Minutes: Public minutes of 7/23/12 and 8/2/12. Chairman Duarte motioned to accept August 2nd, 2012 Selectmen's meeting minutes as amended. Seconded by Selectman Kelley. All were in favor. Motion carried. Chairman Duarte motioned to accept the July 23rd, 2012 meeting minutes as presented. Seconded by Selectman Kelley. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Diamond Hill Road issue: Citizen Carleton Robie asked if the Board talked to the Town Attorney about the Steven's on Diamond Hill Road. Chairman Duarte replied this is currently being worked on by legal counsel and they can't discuss it this evening. Mr. Robie asked if the Steven's have complied. Chairman Duarte reiterated they can't discuss this tonight.

Public comment: Citizen Frank Albert of Diamond Hill Road said it appears that things

are getting a little hotter then you like, but you are not doing any justice to the citizens who have brief comments to make to the Board. You are just shutting them off and that's not right. Chairman Duarte agreed with him, but when they get into a battle you have to understand there was a meeting for everyone to go to. It wasn't that the citizens didn't have the opportunity to get involved. Citizen Carleton Robie said he didn't attend the closure meeting on Thursday August 2nd, but he was well informed of how it went. The Board did split this quote up and you asked the company to go out and bid three specific things. They came back with the same bid which was around \$30,000. He felt this was a lot more than what needs to be spent. We only have \$35,000 to do the whole job. There is a gentleman in the area that will do the specific things that you asked this contractor to come back with for 90% less. You need to consider this very seriously. There is a \$27,000 swing here. If you keep \$27,000 in the bank it would go a long way to removing that ash and re-topping the site. You can throw out the first three bids because you have split it up now. You need to start over. Chairman Duarte said the bid is for \$129,000. Citizen Carla Penfield agreed with Mr. Robie and she has attended several of the meetings prior to this evening. She has listened to all of what is being said and at the last Select Board meeting you clearly said that you would split that bid. You clearly told the bidder that you would entertain the bid to take the buildings and you would set the site and ash work aside for another year. You had to go and ask the Town for money to do that site work. This would be two separate contracts. The total might be the same amount of money, but there was discussion with this vendor as to whether the total amount would remain the same since you were going to split it. So you did change the process, this allows you to entertain Mr. Darnley's bid. Chairman Duarte said he isn't going to take any more input. Citizen Ingrid Byrd informed Chairman Duarte that he is not the king of this Town. Chairman Duarte replied you have not been addressed. Citizen Ingrid Byrd said because you refused. She said she had the bid in front of her. One of the things that changes it right off the bat is the removal of the chain link fence was taken out of the bid and it was divided into two parts. It's clearly stated in the minutes.

Selectman Kelley motioned to adjourn at 8:15 p.m. Seconded by Chairman Duarte. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Andria Hansen, Recording Secretary