Minutes Albany NH Selectmen's Meeting September 23, 2009

At 4:00 p.m., the Selectmen's meeting was called to order. In attendance were Jack Rose, Dan Sdankus and Sara Young-Knox. Also present were Lee Grant, Brian Taylor and Rita Wells. The following business was conducted.

Regular Business:

- Reviewed & approved September 16 minutes
- Signed checks
- Reviewed & approved one building permit
- Reviewed & approved one driveway permit
- Reviewed & signed two letters to be sent via certified mail
- Unanimously voted to appoint Jack Rose as the Albany representative to the North Country Council

Brian Taylor:

Brian informed the Board that he had been contacted by June Garneau of the North Country Council. June told Brian that the state is requiring all towns to form an all-hazard mitigation plan. Brian told the Board that a group would need to be formed to draft this plan. The group should consist of a Selectman, a Planning Board member, himself and Curtis Coleman, Road Agent. Brian also told the Board that the plan needs to be finalized by December 31. By adopting this plan, it allows the town to receive funding from the Federal Emergency Management Agency. Brian noted that the town of Benton put the plan together in four two hour sessions. These sessions took place immediately after the Selectmen meetings. Dan volunteered to be the Selectmen's representative. Jack and Sara Young-Knox agreed that Dan would be the Selectmen's representative. Brian tentatively set up a meeting with June Garneau on October 7.

Coyotes:

JoAnn Reis of Tabor Circle visited the Selectmen's office during the week. She complained of a growing coyote population in her neighborhood. She told the AA that the coyotes are so brazen recently that they are walking down the middle of Tabor Circle in broad daylight. She said she is frightened to walk her dog at dusk. Sara Young-Knox suggested the AA call the Fish and Game Department to see if they have a list of trappers in the area. Trappers in the area might be willing to trap the coyotes free of charge.

The next point that was discussed to deter coyotes and other wildlife from becoming a problem was to not leave any trash out at night and not feed the birds until winter has arrived.

Miscellaneous:

Dorothy Solomon invited the Board of Selectmen to a County Commissioner's meeting. The County Commissioners have observed that the public is ill informed of county government procedure. She also said the Commissioners were speaking of moving one meeting a month to evening hours so more of the public would attend.

Jack told the Board that a picture of Crawford Notch would be dedicated to the memory of David Emerson at the Scenic Vista in Intervale at a time to be announced. The AA suggested that the 2009 Annual Report also be dedicated to David. The Selectmen agreed it was a good idea.

Sara told the Board that she hoped to attend the 10 year highway plan meeting scheduled Thursday in Conway for the long awaited bypass. Sara made a motion to formally approve the bypass. Jack seconded the motion and all were in favor. Sara will represent the Town of Albany Selectmen at the meeting.

At 4:37 p.m. Dan made a motion to adjourn, Jack seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathleen Vizard Administrative Assistant