## Approved Candia Selectmen's Public Meeting Minutes Monday, August 13, 2007

**Attendance:** Chairman Fred Kelley, Vice-Chair Tom Giffen, Selectman James Brennan, Selectman Joe Duarte and Secretary Dawn Chabot. Selectman Lazott absent due to a scheduled vacation.

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

The Board will recognize Health Director Mary Hall for her extra efforts in successfully completing five public health training courses, totaling 102 total classroom based, training hours, offered by the Institute for Local Public Health Practice at the Manchester Health Department: Chairman Kelley yielded the floor to Selectman Giffen overseer of the Health and Welfare Department. Selectman Giffen stated the Town was fortunate to have Mary Hall serving as the Health and Welfare Director because she is a very dedicated and special individual. Selectman Giffen stated she recently completed an ongoing training consisting of over 102 class room hours in order to be more professional as the Health Office for the Town. Selectman Giffen stated Mary Hall worked very hard for this accomplishment and noted that not everyone completed the extensive training. Selectman Giffen showed attendees the plaque Mary Hall received. Selectman Giffen presented Mary Hall with a Certificate of Appreciation from the Board. The Board members thanked Mary Hall for a job well done.

The Board will consider the raffle request from The Candia Historical Society dated August 8, 2007: The Board reviewed the attached raffle request received from Historical Society member Ed Fowler for a raffle to be held on 08/18/07 at Candia Old Home Day (rain date 08/19/07) to benefit the Historical Society "Hearse Fund". Secretary Chabot showed attendees a photo of the raffle items which are two pieces of Rita Goekjian's hand made jewelry. Selectman Giffen motioned to approve the raffle as presented. Seconded by Selectman Duarte. All in favor. Motion carried.

Selectman Brennan and Superintendent Anderson to re-address Cemetery matters with the **Board:** Selectman Brennan presented the Board with the attached five pages of proposals for the Holbrook Cemetery with the first three pages specific to the newly proposed cremation area and the last two pages specific to improvements such as: gravel place to existing and new roads, clearing and flattening high ground and the clearing of trees. Cremation Area: Selectman Brennan showed the layout design on the new area which would contain 199 sites and noted each site (plot) could contain up to 4 cremations depending on the wishes of the purchaser. Selectman Brennan stated the price of a cremation lot at this point would be the same as a regular lot because in the near future a proposal will be made to increase the price of regular lots (the cremation price would remain the same). Selectman Giffen motioned to accept the proposed cremation area as presented with the price to be the current plot price of \$100.00. Seconded by Selectman Proposed Improvements to the Holbrook **Cemetery:** Selectman Brennan stated in looking towards the future for the Holbrook Cemetery, he and Superintendent Anderson worked on a plan (attached) which would consist of brush & tree clean up and also the installation of gravel roads. Selectman Brennan stated they were also looking to create a lower level as indicated on the plan in effort to utilize the full space of the Holbrook Cemetery as part of progressively preparing for the future. Selectman Brennan informed he was working with Dennis Lewis to obtain pricing on the proposals. The Board members thought the proposal was a worthwhile plan. Selectman Brennan lastly stated he was trying to obtain figures for the upcoming budget cycle for a replacement maintenance shed as there was an immediate need.

The Board to discuss and consider the letters of interest received for the vacant Exit 3 Committee position: Selectman Duarte advised that five letters of interest had been received from Ingrid Byrd, Francis Albert, Ellie Davidson, Larry Twitchell, and Nathalea Torrey and further advised that he found them all to be outstanding. Selectman Duarte stated he would love to have Ingrid Byrd on the Committee as the member and would like to have Larry Twitchell serve as the alternate. Selectman Giffen agreed on the nomination of Ingrid Byrd as the full member and Larry Twitchell as the alternate complementing both individuals on past experiences. Exit 3 Committee (E3C) member Betsey Kruse stated she was aware of the past discussion on the potential size of E3C and wondered if the Board would consider more than five members because it is hard finding volunteers. E3C member Kruse stated over 20 Committee members worked on the Master Plan and used the divide and conquer approach. Selectman Giffen stated it was hard to say how many would be needed on the E3C as their charge had not been defined and would be addressed later in the agenda. E3C member Charles Bowman disagreed with member Kruse stating beyond five members becomes unworkable. Judy Szott of Libbee Road expressed concerns over limiting the membership to five and also wondered how the four previously established members came about especially considering Mr. Bowman was out of the Country when the Committee was formed. Carla Penfield of High Street stated the Zoning Committees had 20 plus members and it worked fine. Selectman Giffen envisioned sub-committees coming off from the E3C. Selectman Giffen felt one of the key elements would be to develop standards and he found the current zoning to be grossly unprepared to handle such a proposal in order to protect the interest of the Town and the taxpayers. Selectman Giffen felt this Committee would be the Town's only protection. Selectman Duarte thought a five member Committee would be a good starting point. Selectman Duarte felt the E3C would be responsible for gathering information to bring before the Board and noted after the Public Hearings their responsibilities would pick up, such as: what could be placed on the land. Selectman Giffen stated if we read correspondence from Counsel it indicates we need a specific proposal to go by and further stated that it did not make sense to continue with the hearings because within 7 to 14 days after the 2<sup>nd</sup> hearing the Board would need to take a vote to sell. Selectman Duarte advised he spoke with Counsel and was told not to worry about the performance standards because they would be addressed after the hearings on 08/10 and 8/24 before the sale. Selectman Duarte thought the E3C would be beneficial after the hearings. Clark Thyng of North Road stated it was his understanding that the Board was looking for authorization to sell before they know what is going in on the land. Chairman Kelley advised the Board already has the authorization to sell the 9.5 acre parcel but is required to hold two public hearings as part of the requirement in order to gain authorization on the other two parcels. Clark Thyng asked if they would market the property after they obtain the authorization to sell. Chairman Kelley advised that was correct. E3C member Kruse pointed out according to the RSA the Board has to vote on whether to sell 7 and 14 days after the second hearing. E3C member Kruse stated she understood Counsel's letter to mean that the Board would need to bring a specific proposal from a developer to the hearings laying out specifics such as: schedules, development build out and conceptual plans. Selectman Duarte advised he questioned Counsel a couple of times on the current approach and Counsel felt it was allowable. Selectman Duarte stated he was not sure if it was wiser to pursue a Real Estate Developer as suggested by Counsel. Ingrid Byrd stated if Counsel's correspondences say "should" then the Town should listen to him as he is in place to protect the Town. Charles Bowman stated after the two hearings it would be no different then what was intended during the prior town meeting vote. Judy Szott expressed concerns over the scheduling hearings noting she read the RSA and also read what Counsel had written. Judy Szott felt waiting another two weeks would not sink the proposal noting the people want to see what is going in there and further felt the proposal was premature giving the appearance that something was going on. Judy Szott stated the land was a valuable piece of property and wanted the Board to be careful about what they put in there as it is the entrance to Candia.

Selectman Giffen stated he had areas of doubt and wanted clarification on a recent article in the Hooksett Banner in which Selectman Duarte said not all Selectmen are on board with the plan and that politics forced them to stand in support. Selectman Giffen asked Selectman Duarte if he said that. Selectman Duarte indicated he did. Selectman Giffen stated he was responsible for a \$5,200.00 grant for the Economic Development of the Town, had worked on promoting the Town through the newly established website and noted the statements were not true, he was not opposed to development. Selectman Giffen demanded a public apology and a retraction on the comment from Selectman Duarte. Selectman Giffen read a portion of an email from Counsel dated Thurs. 08/09/07 which Counsel was not in favor of proceeding with the meeting without the fifth member. Selectman Giffen stated Selectman Duarte had the information and still proceeded with the meeting on Friday. Selectman Duarte read the beginning portion of the email (attached). Selectman Duarte stated he did not want to be adversarial. Selectman Giffen reiterated his demand for an apology and a retraction. Selectman Brennan stated he too felt he was brought into the article and stated in no way was he against the development in fact he had mentioned before that Plan NH would do engineering for free after an application process. Selectman Brennan stated he was unclear on the information that the Committee would gather and wanted the Board to address the charge of the E3C as requested by Citizen Mark Hardy. Selectman Giffen expressed dissatisfaction with Selectman Duarte's decision to hold a Friday morning meeting and wondered what interest that would serve as most people would be working at that time and unable to attend. Selectman Giffen noted historically the Town holds meeting in the evening in the interest of open government. Selectman Brennan felt the decision to hold the meeting at that time kept him from attending as well. Selectman Duarte stated the decision to hold the day meeting was not intentionally planned to exclude anyone and only came about because two members of the E3C had indicated they could attend. Selectman Duarte stated he also considered that there were a lot of evening meetings previously scheduled in the Conference Room. Selectman Duarte said the project was difficult and that there were phone calls all over Town to the point where he does not know who is against him. Selectman Giffen stated people who read that the article in the paper would have been mislead and that was why he was demanding an apology and a retraction. Selectman Giffen repeated his dissatisfaction with Selectman Duarte on proceeding with the Friday meeting even after receiving the memo on Thursday from Counsel. Selectman Duarte stated he spoke with Counsel on the matter and he had indicated a few things differently. Chairman Kelley agreed noting he spoke with Counsel a few times on the phone as well. Selectman Giffen was concerned about Selectman Duarte was making public comments about the wetlands on the property and de-valuing it which has now created doubt on the land. Selectman Giffen commented the wetlands on the property were unknown as there has been no delineation. Selectman Duarte disagreed stating there was delineation of the wetlands. Selectman Giffen stated in March the Board had authorized Selectman Duarte to be a point of contact on the Exit 3 not a one man leadership. Selectman Giffen stated because of his raised concerns he no longer had confidence in Selectman Duarte as E3C Selectmen's Rep. and requested his resignation from the Committee. Rudy Cartier of North Road commented that it seemed everyone wanted the best plan with the best possible return. Rudy Cartier asked the Board if authority to sell all the parcels were given, what assurance could you give the citizens that the development would be esthetically pleasing, not a metal building and the Town would get the best possible return. Selectman Brennan said his favored approach would be to come up with RFQs (Request for Qualifications) and request RFPs (Request for Proposals) and the Town could choose the best design. Selectman Brennan also felt another option would be to contact a Real Estate Developer to represent the Town. E3C member Kruse wondered if the Board could ask Counsel his opinion to proceed on the hearings or not due to the controversy. E3C member Kruse mentioned that Selectman Lazott read Counsel's letter at the 07/16/07 meeting in which the steps were outlined and she wondered if the steps were being followed noting after the two hearings the Board would have to vote to sell without having a plan or a buyer within 7-14 days. E3C member Kruse asked the Board to consider delaying the hearings. Carla

Penfield noted there was an enormous amount of controversy with the project throughout the Town and the concern is after the hearings the Board would sell. Carla Penfield felt part of the controversy was stirred up at the 07/16/07 Public input meeting by not giving people enough time to express their opinions. Carla Penfield felt Selectman Duarte's two minute limit was not appropriate and that he needed to remember people are very protective of Candia as it is a rural community and there are not many left. Carla Penfield requested the Board cancel the Public Hearings and allow the Committee to research the matter before rushing into it. Selectman Giffen felt in reading the statute the Hearing process is the last chance for the citizens to come forward, Selectman Giffen moved to cancel the Hearings. Motioned failed due to the lack of a second. E3C member Cole felt it was in the best interest of the Town to hold the hearings and get the authority to sell. E3C member Cole stated Selectman Giffen was wrong about the wetlands delineation, noting it was done. Selectman Giffen stated if the information is there, it has not been shared with the Board. E3C member Cole repeated it is there. Selectman Giffen advised proceeding without a plan is like a "pig in a poke". E3C member Cole disagreed noting it is hard to obtain a plan without being able to put all of the parcels together as a whole. Judy Szott reviewed RSA 41:14-a, and felt it was inappropriate to proceed with the hearings because the Town did not have a buyer. Selectman Duarte expressed frustration as Counsel's letter says one thing and when he gets Counsel on the phone he says something else. Carla Penfield asked Chairman Kelley as Chair why the Board was pushing to proceed. Chairman Kelley felt the majority of the people at the 07/16/07 expressed they wanted a grocery store and that is what the Board is trying to do. Chairman Kelley stated once the Board gets permission to sell, they can then negotiate. Chairman Kelley stated in talking to Counsel and his (Chairman Kelley's) review of information he did not feel the Board had to have a specific buyer when they take a vote to sell after the hearings. Selectman Giffen felt the process was contradicting the RSA and motioned to cancel the Public Hearings. Seconded by Selectman Brennan for discussion. Selectman Brennan felt the Board should hold off for now and obtain a 3<sup>rd</sup> letter from Counsel for clarification on the confusion. Selectmen Giffen and Brennan in favor. Chairman Kelley and Selectman Duarte opposed. It was mentioned that the Board could re-address their tied vote at the 08/27/07 meeting when Selectman Lazott is present. Secretary Chabot stated she was unaware if there were noticing requirements on the cancellation of Public Hearings because she was not familiar with the process. Clark Thyng questioned if the Board had considered checking with a Real Estate Attorney and thought perhaps there was one within Upton & Hatfield. A few attendees once again brought up Counsel's letter. Chairman Kelley stated he knew what Counsel wrote, however, he also knew what Counsel had said to him on the phone. Chairman Kelley asked former Selectman Clark Thyng if he had past experiences such as this with Counsel. Clark Thyng responded he is an Attorney. E3C member Kruse reiterated that Counsel outlined in his letter the Board must have a proposal. E3C member Kruse said after the Hearings the Board has 7-14 days to vote and the Town doesn't have a proposal. Ingrid Byrd suggested having Counsel attend a meeting with the Board to give clarification because what he is saying on the phone is different from what is in writing. Chairman Kelley agreed it would be nice to set up a meeting with Counsel, the Board and the E3C members in order to obtain clarification on what is being said on the phone verses what he placed in writing. Chairman Kelley advised he would change his vote and agreed to cancel the Public Hearings for now. Selectman Giffen thanked him and said he appreciated that he was upholding the law. The vote on Selectman Giffen's prior motion to cancel the Public Hearings is as follows: Chairman Kelley, Selectman Giffen and Selectman Brennan in favor. Selectman Duarte opposed. Motion to cancel the Hearings carried. Chairman Kelley informed he would contact Counsel to set up a meeting. Ingrid Byrd questioned if the Board could make a decision on the E3C membership. Chairman Kelley motioned to accept Ingrid Byrd as a full member to the Exit 3 Committee and Larry Twitchell as an alternate member, the membership to be at five with one alternate which is subject to change should there be a need for more members as the Committee's role and responsibilities are more defined. Seconded by Selectman Duarte. All in favor. Motion carried.

## The Board to discuss citizen Mark Hardy's questions on the Committee

Meeting Schedule: Selectman Giffen motioned that future E3C Meetings would be held during the week anytime after 6:30 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Brennan. Selectman Giffen stated to hold meetings during the day is against the public interest. Clark Thyng advised the Board could not bind a future Board with that motion. Selectman Giffen agreed but wanted it to be a policy of the current Board stating daytime meetings should only be held in the event of emergencies or natural disasters. Selectman Duarte stated he would like to obtain input from Selectman Lazott regarding policies that concern the current Board. Selectman Giffen said there was no reason to delay a decision that favored honest and open government. Chairman Kelley called for a vote on the motion. All in favor. Motion carried. Judy Szott thought Selectman Giffen was concerned about perception noting holding a day meeting would be in accordance with the Right to Know Law, however could give a perception that something was up. Judy Szott felt Selectman Giffen had a good proposal in the line with democracy. Selectman Duarte stated it had become very apparent that the Community did not like daytime meetings and noted it would not be his intention to schedule any more in the future.

**Authority of the Committee:** Selectman Giffen motioned that the Authority of the Exit 3 Committee be advisory to the Board of Selectmen in nature, to bring everything before the Board, and that they have no authority to act independently and should delete nothing. Seconded by Chairman Kelley. All in favor. Motion carried.

Charge of the Committee: Selectman Giffen felt the Board would need to establish a charge that the residents feel is fair. Selectman Giffen felt the Committee should research all the possibilities to develop the Town-owned parcels in accordance with the 2003 Town Meeting vote. After some discussion and input provided by the Board members, Selectman Giffen motioned that the charge of the Exit 3 Committee would be as follows: 1) Research possibilities for an economic partnership and develop standards. 2) Explore options in regards to working with a Real Estate Developer. 3) Research Design Standards. 4) Research options of working with other agencies such as: Plan NH. 5) Pursue and research all options to develop the land in accordance with the 2003 Town Meeting vote. Lastly, all research and information from the Committee is to be brought before the full Board. Seconded by Chairman Kelley. All in favor. Motion carried. Carla Penfield wondered if the Committee could research the Economic impact on the proposal. The Board members indicated it would be possible. Selectman Duarte thought it was important to define what the property consists of and what could be put there. Selectman Giffen thought it would be reasonable to talk to DES as there are many ways to mitigate wetlands. E3C member Cole stated DES would give free input on mitigation. Rudy Cartier pointed out that Architectural Standards are currently being considered by the Planning Board. Selectman Brennan advised he wanted the Committee to obtain information on Plan NH as they would do engineering for free if accepted after an application process. Selectman Brennan stated the Board could obtain proposals, weed them out and then hold the Public Hearings on the best proposal. Selectman Brennan wondered if the Board wanted the E3C to research options involving the Hobbs' property as is was part of the 2003 Town Meeting proposal. Selectman Giffen thought it was worth looking into. Chairman Kelley was not in favor of including it as he was aware they wanted too much money for the property and also aware that there are tracks going through the middle of it. Clark Thyng mentioned in 2003 the Developer included other parcels because the Town did not have a curb cut on their parcel. Selectman Brennan said a Developer may want more land than less.

**Final Comment from Selectman Giffen:** Selectman Giffen stated that that his words to Selectman Duarte were rather harsh and pointed and that he was willing to give Selectman Duarte a second chance as E3C Selectmen's Rep if he flies straight and brings everything before the Board. Selectman Duarte agreed.

## **Departmental Reports**

**Highway:** Road Agent Lewis reviewed the attached report. Road Agent Lewis informed that the Town had received some money from FEMA. Road Agent Lewis asked the Board if they were interested in paving the parking lot of the old library building while his contractors pave South Road which would cost between \$2,100.00 and \$2,300.00. Selectman Giffen asked how much it would cost if paved separately. Road Agent Lewis stated the cost would at least double. Selectman Giffen stated he was one for a bargain but noted money was tight. Chairman Kelley agreed. The Board noted they would be prudent and not proceed at this time considering the building was vacant with no immediate use in its future. Ingrid Byrd suggested having the organization that current uses the parking lot pay the expense.

**Police:** Chief McGillen presented the attached report noting July was a busy month. Chief McGillen briefed on a few active cases. Chief McGillen stated they received final approval on the OHRV grant. Chief McGillen advised he came to an agreement with the Deerfield Fair Association to do the police details for the Deerfield Fair at \$30.00 per hour detail rate which is lower than their current rate. Selelctman Giffen thanked Officer Bowen for a job well done involving a recent case at Carworld. Selectman Brennan asked if Chief McGillen had made any progress in finding a full-time candidate for the vacant position. Chief McGillen stated he had not located someone for the full-time position but had located someone for the part-time position. Chief McGillen stated he would check with Director Emerson on the budget because he hoped to send the part-time candidate to an upcoming Police Academy. Selectman Brennan asked Chief McGillen if he was interested in a future purchase of an SUV for the department, as surrounding Towns have them. Chief McGillen stated it would be beneficial for the department in order to get the Officers to areas of Town during inclement weather which in the past they have received assistance from the Road Agent or the Fire Department. Fire Chief Cartier thought the State had a price package of \$24,000 to \$26,000 for Ford Explorers. Chief McGillen noted the price would not include the costs for equipment fitting (cage, lights and sirens). Chief McGillen advised he would look into pricing and report back to the Board.

Fire: Fire Chief Rudy Cartier reviewed the attached reports (monthly and year to date). Fire Chief Cartier thanked the Board members that attended their recent annual Fire Department outing. Fire Chief Cartier noted the maintenance budget was strained due to unanticipated expenses and is currently over by \$3,000.00. Fire Chief Cartier stated he would be speaking with Director Emerson regarding well expense which he found out recently the damage was caused by lightning. Chief Cartier hoped the Town would get some money back on the well expense. Chief Cartier mentioned a recent door problem caused by rust at the Fire Station which will probably cost another \$1,400.00. Fire Chief Cartier informed that the water heater at the station needed to be replaced. Fire Chief Cartier asked the Board if they were okay with the long standing tradition of having department members provide coverage at Deerfield Fair at no expense to the Town on a volunteer basis and the Fair Association would make a donation to the Fire Department Association. Fire Chief Cartier stated there would be coverage in Town for the entire weekend as well. The Board was okay with continuing the tradition. Chairman Kelley asked why the new fire department car was parked on Island Road. Fire Chief Cartier stated the vehicle stays with the Duty Officer for one week as the Officer uses it while issuing permits in the evening.

Building: Chairman Kelley reviewed the attached report for Selectman Lazott.

Solid Waste: Selectman Giffen reviewed the attached reports for June and July. Selectman Giffen highlighted the financial returns received from Harding Metals and noted the Town would not have received such large returns if the items were co-mingled. Selectman Giffen extended kudos to Facility Operator Whitcher and crew for a great job in separating the items. New Member to the Solid Waste Committee: Selectman Giffen advised a letter of interest had been received by Lucinda Griswold to join the Solid Waste Committee (SWC) noting she has attended some of the meetings and is recommended by the Committee. Selectman Giffen motioned to appoint Lucinda Griswold as a member of the SWC effective on today's date 08/13/07 with a term to expire on 08/13/08. Seconded by Chairman Kelley. All in favor. Motion carried. Modification on Hauling Policy of 12/16/02: Selectman Giffen read the attached hauling policy instituted on 12/16/02. Selectman Giffen noted the policy was specific to picking items up and not the delivery of items. Selectman Giffen stated in the past Chairman Kelley on many occasions has donated his pickup truck and trailer for the delivery of items to Harding Metals. Selectman Giffen advised he was proposing a modification to the existing towing policy to cover employee's expenses when they utilize their personal vehicles. Selectman Giffen motioned to amend the hauling policy of 12/16/02 to state hauling is not only for pick up of items but also for the delivery of recyclables. Seconded by Chairman Kelley. All in favor. Motion carried. Chairman Kelley advised Operator Whitcher to make sure he had enough insurance on his vehicle and trailer in order to protect himself as the issue had come up before during a prior Board. Facility Operator Whitcher stated he would double check. Facility Operator Whitcher noted it has been extremely generous of Chairman Kelley over the past 2 ½ years to allow the Center to utilize his truck and trailer. Facility Operator Whitcher advised his wife does not appreciate it when he uses his personal truck to deliver items when Chairman Kelley's vehicle is not available. Facility Operator Whitcher commented on the large financial returns received by the Town due to the deliveries. Facility Operator Whitcher felt the Town should consider purchasing a pick-up track so that they would not have to rely on the generosity of others. Facility Operator stated another issue would be plowing of the future facility which would be a larger area and he was unsure if the Road Agent planned on doing the work. Facility Operator Whitcher stated if the Town contracted out the plowing, it could be very expensive. Facility Operator Whitcher said the Town could consider purchasing a pick-up that would plow and deliver recyclables. Facility Operator Whitcher stated he could look into pricing and options noting the SWC had looked into leasing at one point. Chairman Kelley expressed concerns over leasing and wanted Facility Operator Whitcher to be careful with it. The Board directed Facility Operator Whitcher to look into the options concentrating on pricing used low mileage pick up trucks. Road Agent Lewis stated plowing the future center would be an hourly rate of \$35.00 to \$40.00 and they would be available for that. Road Agent Lewis commented that it might be easier if his crew plowed the location and the Center could then obtain a lighter vehicle for deliveries. New Transfer Station: Charles Bowman of High Street asked for an update on the future Transfer Station noting the money was voted in a year and a half ago and nothing has been done. Selectman Giffen advised the RFP deadline was 08/14/07 at 2:00 p.m. and the SWC would meet that evening to review the packets. Selectman Giffen informed that five companies received RFQs and that the SWC hoped to provide the Board with the top two. Selectman Giffen stated after the Deer Run Road land was purchased the Committee found out construction costs were to high. Selectman Giffen advised bids were received between 1.8 and 2 plus million dollars. Selectman Giffen stated the SWC then came up with a new process which was design bid process. Charles Bowman said he heard the property was bad. Selectman Giffen stated there were concerns about that and that is why the Town hired Maine Drilling and Blasting to drill additional holes which indicated there was lower number of ledge and also weathered ledge below. Charles Bowman felt it was the job of the Town's Engineer and that they

failed the Town. SWC Paul McHugh noted the Committee did hold a public hearing to go over the process. Ingrid Byrd of Depot Road stated she heard a rumor that the Town did not have enough money and would be asking for more. Selectman Giffen stated that remains to be seen and hoped the proposals would come back favorably and in accordance with the provided funding.

**Heritage Commission/Pond Update:** Selectman Brennan advised the Pond was recently dug out by Severino to the proper depth and that it would fill up on its own slowly.

The Board to discuss James Franklin's quote to set boundary markers at the Candia Fire Department property on Deerfield Road: The Board reviewed the attached quote of \$1,200.00 dated 08/06/07 for the setting of the boundary marker in accordance with the court order. Selectman Duarte advised he contacted Mr. Franklin to find out why it was so high and found out that the original survey would need to be re-done as it was not done correctly. The Board noted the amount on the quote was unanticipated. After some discussion the Board agreed to table the matter until the next meeting in order to obtain the dollar amount remaining within the legal line. Fire Chief Cartier expressed dissatisfaction with the Town having to pay the expense knowing the history behind it. Fire Chief Cartier wanted the Board to check with Counsel on the expense requirement. The Board indicated the matter was agreed upon already in a court agreement.

**Approval of Previous Minutes:** The Board agreed to defer the approval of the Public Minutes of 07/23/07 until the next meeting due to Selectman Lazott's absence.

Selectman Brennan to present a document to the Board from contracted Budget Committee hire Kristina Ickes for their signatures: Secretary Chabot read the attached agreement required by Kristina Ickes's current employer UBS Financial Services in order to indicate there would be no conflict of interest between her employer and the Town as she provides the service as a contracted recording secretary. Secretary Chabot advised if Mrs. Ickes decides to provide another service to the Town such as an appointed position, a different letter would need to be drafted for the Board's signature at that time. The Board members unanimously agreed to sign the document. Kristina Ickes was in attendance and thanked the Board. Secretary Chabot exited the meeting to obtain a copy of the signed agreement.

## **Any Other Business**

**Chairman Kelley's concern:** Chairman Kelley provided Selectmen Giffen and Brennan with a document for their review and noted it would be discussed at a future meeting. Secretary Chabot returned to the meeting. Ingrid Byrd expressed concerns to Chairman Kelley over making the document public. A copy of the mentioned document was not provided to the Secretary.

**Announce Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting Date:** The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Monday, August 27, 2007 at 7:00 p.m.

**9:25 p.m.** Selectman Giffen motioned to adjourned. Seconded by Selectman Duarte. All in favor. Motion carried.