SHAFTSBURY SELECTBOARD REGULAR MEETING APRIL 18, 2011 MINUTES

ATTENDING: **Board Members present:** Lon McClintock, Karen Mellinger. Town Officials: Margy Becker, Town Administrator; Henri Billow, Town Treasurer. **Board Members absent:** Bill Pennebaker, Craig Bruder, Carl Korman.

1. Call to Order

Chairman McClintock called the meeting to order at 7:20PM.

2. Announcements

Karen Mellinger reminded everyone of Green-Up day on Saturday, May 7th. For more details you can call Karen Mellinger at 442-1950 and check the Bennington Banner for information. Hazardous Waste Day will be Saturday, May 14th. Four rimless tires per family are allowed.

Lon McClintock attended a forum on Health Care Reform prior to the board meeting.

3. Conflict of Interest Statement

Chairman McClintock inquired if any Board member had a conflict of interest with any matter on the agenda. No conflict noted for the record.

4. Public Comments

No comments made.

5. Treasurer Report

Town Treasurer, Henri Billow reported on the status of the Town's budget stating that approximately \$56,510 is due to General Fund, total cash and estimated revenue of \$476,896, with balance of budgeted line items of \$392,926 with an estimated cash flow of \$83,770.

6. Accounting Policies

Tabled until next meeting.

7. Ad Hoc Committees

All committees of the Town are subject to open meeting law unless they are advisory committees. Meetings must be officially posted and minutes taken.

8. Road Foreman Vacancy

Lon McClintock met with Road Foreman Ron Daniels to talk about the process of hiring a new foreman. Ads have been posted in the Bennington Banner and with the Department of Employment and Training with the closing date of April 29.

9. Bennington College Request to Cater 6/1 – 6/3/11

Tabled until next meeting.

10. Town Administrator Report

The Environmental Issues Committee requested a meeting with the State concerning the recertification of TAM after the deadline for public comments. The State will not hold a public meeting, and it will proceed with issuance of the certification. There will be other permits TAM needs to obtain, and there will be avenues for public participation in those cases. The State reported it also will not put language in the recertification concerning enforcement of the settlement agreement between M. Biddy and TAM. The Town Administrator is looking into the warranty for the sidewalks on Cleveland Avenue. Cole Hall needs blinds for the upstairs windows. Feedback is needed from the Animal Control Officer concerning the enforcement of unlicensed dogs. Heating bids need to be sent out. Bids for highway equipment will be sent out.

11. Other Business

A traffic survey will be put on the agenda for discussion at the next Board meeting. The school is eliminating the crossing guard position and the maintenance department will provide crossing services. Putting in a traffic light will be discussed along with the parking situation on &a around the Country Store.

Three roads on the summer agenda for repair are East Road, Eric Road, and Paran Road. It is recommended that Eric Road be put on the 2012 budget.

A sixth road crew position and summer hours will be on the agenda for the next meeting.

The Shaftsbury Charter Group will meet on Thursdays at 6pm at Cole Hall to discuss the Town's 250th anniversary. Anybody is welcome to attend.

12. Approval of Minutes

Tabled until next meeting.

13. Approval of Warrants

Warrants were signed by Chair McClintock.

14. Adjournment

Adjourned at 8:30PM.

Submitted by Carol MacLean