LYNDON SELECTBOARD MEETING

February 14, 2011 5:30 PM

SelectboardPressPublicKevin CalkinsAmy NixonDan HillKermit FisherLisa BarrettMartha FeltusSteve Gray

Russell Blake, Fred Stevens, Lila Stevens

Kelly Harris, David Dill

1. <u>Approval of Meeting Minutes:</u>

Motion made by Martha Feltus, seconded by Kermit Fisher, to approve the minutes of the 1/31/11 meeting as written. Motion carried 3-0.

2. <u>Approval and signing of orders:</u>

The Board approved and signed the orders drawn on the Treasurer for weeks #5 and #6.

3. Highway Report:

At 10% through the year, payroll is 15% spent and the entire budget is 16% expended.

4. <u>Town Road and Bridge Standards:</u>

Motion made by Martha Feltus, seconded by Kermit Fisher, to adopt the road and bridge standards as recommended by the State of Vermont. Motion carried 3-0.

5. Repairs to Fire Station Heating System:

The Board reviewed the estimate to repair the system. Dan Hill will look into the issue further.

6. Northeast Kingdom Chamber of Commerce Citizen of the Year:

The Board discussed possible candidates.

7. Informational Meeting – Elimination of Business Personal Property Tax (6:00 PM):

The effects of the proposed change, which is on the Warning for Annual Town Meeting, were discussed. The Village would lose about \$50,000 of tax revenue and the Town would lose ~ \$36,000 in General Fund tax revenue and ~ \$12,000 in Highway Fund tax revenue.

8. Renovations Update:

Ongoing renovations to the conference room and listers' office were discussed. The listers have moved into their new office.

9. Other Business:

- A) Fred and Lila Stevens asked how to get the NEK Coon and Cat Club to be exempt from real estate tax. It was suggested that they speak to the listers to get the specific criteria.
- B) Dan Hill reviewed the report from the CAT dealer on the maintenance needs of both graders.
- C) Russell Blake updated the Board on the progress of the garage search committee.

10. Executive Session:

Motion made by Martha Feltus, seconded by Kermit Fisher, to enter into executive session at 6:15 PM to discuss a contract issue. Motion carried 3-0. Upon returning to open session at 6:50 PM, motion made by Kermit Fisher, seconded by Martha Feltus, to pursue a contract with Utility Partners to operate the wastewater treatment facility. Motion carried 3-0.