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**Lawrence H. Davis, III, Chair
Nathaniel H. Yohalem
Tara B. White
Board of Selectmen**

Minutes of February 25, 2013

The Meeting was opened at 6:00 PM.

All members were present.

Review, discuss, and sign warrants, correspondence and minutes.

The minutes of February 11th, 2013 were put on hold.

The first item of correspondence for discussion was the review of the Solarize Mass Energy Program. This program was brought to the attention of the Town by a New Marlborough resident. Solarize Mass is an Energy program open to residents and municipalities. More information will be available on the Town Website.

The next item of correspondence was an itemized cost estimate regarding the Clayton Mill River Road Bridge replacement from Foresight Land Services, Inc. The original estimate on this bridge replacement was approximately \$800,000.00. The current estimate being reviewed from Foresight Land Services is significantly less at approximately \$410,000.00. Selectman Yohalem stated that two people deserve a great deal of gratitude for this outcome. "Our Highway Superintendent, Peter Marks who kept saying that \$800,000.00 is too much, it could be done for less. Also, Nicole Reid who went through the records and found an old report from 1994 and brought the Engineer in". Selectman White inquired if Nicole had time to compare the line item costs. Nicole cited an example of bridge demolition at a difference of \$40,000.00. Selectman Yohalem cited the difference of a pre-cast substructure; \$300,000.00 vs. \$150,000.00. Selectman Yohalem also stated that this firm is from Pittsfield and the Engineer, Steve Mack is from Great Barrington. The close proximity allows him to be here all the time as a clerk of the works whereas Tom Loughlin from BSC Group is 2.5 hours away and just cannot be available for clerk of the works type of management.

The Board discussed and reviewed a letter to be sent to the Fire Company regarding the lease.

Additional correspondence included a letter to the Board from Nicole Reid in regard to acquiring additional hours at Michael Skorput's request.

A motion was made seconded and so voted to increase Nicole Reid's hours from 19 hours per week to 24 hours per week beginning March 6, 2013. All were in favor.

Selectmen Yohalem stated that the finance committee approved a salary increase of 2.25%.

Special Permit Hearing - 12013

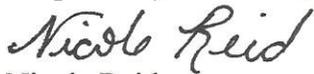
Applicant Kristin Knickerbocker, RA – Spring Line Design, LLP for David McShane and Karin L. Bonner applied for a permit to construct a new accessory dwelling on 64 Canaan Valley Road, Southfield, MA 01259.

Roll Call:

Lawrence H. Davis, Chair – Yes; Nathaniel Yohalem - Yes; Tara White - Yes

Being that there was no further business to be brought before the Board a motion was made, seconded and so voted to adjourn at 6:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Nicole Reid
Administrative Secretary