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**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
REGULAR MEETING
January 2, 2013**

Present: Norman M. Needleman, First Selectman
Stacia R. Libby, Selectman
Joel B. Marzi, Selectman

Norman Needleman called the meeting to order at 5:06 p.m.

Approval of Agenda:

Motion was made by Stacia Libby to approve the Agenda with one addition under Traffic Authority to add State Road Route 9 Connector. Joel Marzi seconded the motion, it was unanimously approved. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion was made by Stacia Libby to approve the December 19, 2012 Regular Meeting Minutes. Joel Marzi seconded the motion, it was unanimously approved. Motion carried.

Communications and Correspondence: None

Public Announcements: None

Traffic Authority

Motion was made by Joel Marzi to enter Traffic Authority. Stacia Libby seconded the motion, it was unanimously approved. Motion carried.

Earl Street / Earl Street Extension

Mr. Needleman stated there was a near unanimous endorsement from the neighbors to recommend to the Board of Selectmen to move forward renaming Earl Street and Earl Street Extension to be Earl Street. There was discussion on whether the houses would need to be renumbered. This was tabled until the next meeting.

State Road Route 9 Connector

Mr. Needleman requested that there be a vote of confidence from the Traffic Authority in order to send a letter to the State of Connecticut requesting that the connector at Exit 3 be turned into a one-way road. The process and recommendation of this change must be approved by the Board of Selectmen and Traffic Authority.

Motion was made by Joel Marzi to begin the process. Stacia Libby seconded the motion, it was unanimously approved. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Joel Marzi to exit Traffic Authority. Stacia Libby seconded the motion, it was unanimously approved. Motion carried.

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INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

Capital Committee

Joel Marzi stated that he would like a joint meeting with the Board of Selectmen and the Board of Finance to discuss capital improvements. There was discussion that the sinking fund process works well for the Town of Essex.

Traffic Calming Program – Traffic Options Promoting Public Safety (T.O.P.P.S.)

Stacia Libby stated that TOPPS did not meet this week. Nothing new to report.

Household Hazardous Waste Totals - Nothing new to report.

Web Site - Mr. Needleman stated that Rick Audet is working on this project and the goal is to have the site up and running by March.

OLD BUSINESS:

Sanitary Waste Commission Fee Collection

Mr. Needleman tabled this for the next Selectmen's meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Appointments and Resignations Board and Commissions

Motion was made by Stacia Libby to accept the resignation of Ronald Skinner from the Conservation Commission. Joel Marzi seconded the motion, it was unanimously approved. Motion carried

Motion was made by Stacia Libby to accept the resignation of Robert Connelly from the Zoning Commission. Joel Marzi seconded the motion, it was unanimously approved. Motion carried

Public Comment:

SELECTMEN GENERAL DISCUSSION: None

Motion was made by Stacia Libby to adjourn the meeting at 5:23 p.m. Joel Marzi seconded the motion, it was unanimously approved. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Maria P. Lucarelli