Minutes January 7, 2013

A Public Hearing was held at 6:15 p.m. for the Liquor License Application for the Homestead Restaurant.

Meeting opened at 6:30 p.m. Ron, Chris and Clem were present.

Minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed and accepted.

Account balances were reviewed.

Public Feedback:

Tom Farley and his crew were at the meeting to discuss plowing issues. During the first storms, they used their own "route", but since then have met with our former plowing contractor and will be using his route now so the residents will be more familiar with the routine. The sand/salt pile is starting to get low. Tom would like the Selectmen to monitor the pile frequently.

Old Business:

The School Board hasn't voted on turning the lot over to the town yet, but there doesn't seem to be any obstacles. They should vote on it at their February meeting and it will be deeded to the town at that time.

All summer road work has been done for this year.

New Business:

Selectmen signed the Liquor License Application for the Homestead Restaurant. Clem abstained.

Selectmen set the date for the Annual Budget Meeting. It will be held 2/12/13 at the Community Center at 6:30. It was agreed to limit discussion from outside requests for funding to 3 minutes each.

Selectmen appointed the Land Use Ordinance Committee:

Barry McCormick, Randy Reynolds, Jim & Jo Kenney (1 vote), Emily Newell, John McIntire, Pat Haley & Tony Avila. Alternates will be Nancy Zane, Mark Nickerson. Alternates are expected to attend each meeting just as regular members of the committee and will vote when necessary.

It was requested that the committee have quarterly meetings to update the residents on their progress. The target date for bringing the changes to town meeting is March, 2014. It has been suggested that the "Retail Growth District" be changed to include the area across from the Field of Dreams near the chiropractic office, all lots bordering the Thorndike Road from Main Street to Depot Street and all lots bordering Depot Street from Thorndike Road to the Village District. This change would likely be brought to the March 2013 Town Meeting. Meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Selectmen entered into Executive Session to discuss a poverty abatement application.