Minutes January 21, 2014

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

Public Feedback: None

Selectmen approved the minutes from the previous meeting.

Selectmen reviewed the account balances. The Winter Roads budget has taken a huge hit in the past few weeks due to the amount of ice that the area has received. We have had to order extra loads of salt and put up additional sand.

Old Business:

Town Office Update: Boyd Snowden will attend the February Planning Board meeting to make sure that all things are in order for the new town office before putting the project out to bid.

Land Use Ordinance update: None The committee will not have anything ready for this year's town meeting but may have a handout explaining their progress so far.

Comp Plan Committee update: None. Selectmen plan to attend the Visioning Session being held on Saturday.

TIF update: Selectmen will be forming a TIF Advisory Committee in the near future.

New business:

Lynn Warman presented the Selectmen with the Cemetery Committee's proposed budget for 2014. The committee had discussed replacing some fences around the cemeteries, but it is very costly and not in the budget for this upcoming year. Veteran's stones are being replaced when necessary. There are several that are leaning, broken, etc.

Chris discussed using a salt brine mixture for snow and ice control rather than strictly sand/salt mixture. The State has been using the salt brine mixture before or early in a storm with good results. DEP is urging towns to use less sand. The salt brine mixture could be used on gravel roads for dust control in the summer. It is something that the Selectmen will do more research on. It will not be on this year's town meeting warrant.

Selectmen will meet next week for a budget workshop prior to the Annual Budget Meeting.

Selectmen discussed the letter they received from Dan LaForge at Unity College asking for exemption of the posted roads to accept deliveries for construction materials for the new dorm. Construction is expected to begin in February. Selectmen agreed to grant an exemption of the posted roads provided the contractors make an effort to avoid warm days, schedule deliveries for early mornings when the temperature is below freezing, and to use the first entrance to the

campus (nearest Route 9). Selectmen will also ask that the College repair any obvious damage to Quaker Hill Road caused by their construction vehicles.

Selectmen accepted John Flanzer's resignation from the Budget Committee.

Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.