

**TOWN OF SOMERS  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
MINUTES – SPECIAL MEETING  
Wednesday, July 25, 2007  
immediately following the Town Meeting  
scheduled for 7:00 p.m.  
Town Hall Auditorium**

1. Call to Order:

First Selectman David Pinney called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

2. Members Present:

Selectmen David Pinney, Kathy Devlin and Joe Tolisano

3. Public Works Administrative Assistant:

We have posted this job internally and it will go into the newspaper tomorrow with a deadline of August 3, 2007. The applications will be reviewed at that time and interview plans will be made.

4. Mill Developer Review Process:

David Pinney reported that he and Kathy Devlin had met with Lee Hoffman, consulting attorney, about a week ago and he was to supply a set of qualification criteria to be given to all interested parties that would like to develop the mill. He has not received this information as yet. As soon as this criteria is received and approved, it will be sent to all those interested in the mill. David Pinney said the Town Planner and representatives from the Economic Development Commission should also be included in these discussions. We also have not heard from the attorney who is checking on the new brownfield regulations and how these might affect the mill development.

5. Review and approval of FY07 invoices and FY08 invoices:

The FY07 books have been closed by Town Treasurer Ed Sullivan and everything has been switched over to the new fiscal year. There was approximately \$58,000 left as the net surplus and \$48,000 of this money will offset capital reserve funds for the new mower for Parks & Recreation. Kathy Devlin made a motion to approve scheduled payments generated on July 11, 13, 17, 19, 23 and 25 in the amount of \$265,909.09. This motion was seconded by Joe Tolisano and unanimously approved.

6. Review and approval of FY07 transfers:

Even though the books are closed, we have to close out all of the negative lines. These

will be ready for approval at the next BOS meeting. We have only one transfer ready for approval. Kathy Devlin made a motion to approve the following transfer; seconded by Joe Tolisano and unanimously approved:

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### **Fire Marshal:**

transfer \$459 from acct. #20-10-502.3 fire investigator to acct. #20-10-525.1 fire systems  
transfer \$326 from acct. #20-10-520.1 equipment & supplies to acct. #20-10-525.1 fire systems  
transfer \$43 from acct. #20-10-533.1 postage to acct. #20-10-525.1 fire systems

### 7. Tax abatement options for Conval:

David Pinney reported that the Town Attorney confirmed that a 100% tax abatement could only be given for a maximum of two years when the value of the property involved is less than three million and more than \$500,000 in value. The abatement for Conval would be something approaching \$30,000 for the two years. This is all that is available to us by law. If Conval took the entire company to another town with a value over three million dollars, Conval would qualify for 80% tax abatement for a period of seven years. Mr. Siver of Conval has reviewed their expansion plan with the Town Planner and the Town Sanitarian. Joe Tolisano suggested contacting Penny Bacchiochi to see if a special arrangement could be made. David Pinney said he will discuss this with Mr. Siver to see if what the town is able to do is agreeable. This is as far as the Town of Somers is authorized to go by state statute. Joe Tolisano made a motion to authorize the First Selectman David Pinney to present this information to Mr. Siver of Conval; seconded by Kathy Devlin and unanimously approved.

### 8. Adjournment:

A motion to adjourn was made by Kathy Devlin, seconded by Joe Tolisano and unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Connie Carenzo, Recording Secretary  
TOWN OF SOMERS

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