



Fall Gardening

Judith M. Graves

Gardening throughout the year in New England's four seasons is a challenge. Not for the faint of heart, gardening is fast and furious as the seasons change. It seems one day you are looking through your seed catalogues, next visiting the greenhouses, and then you are cleaning out the pots to store for the winter.

September is the time to enjoy such plants as feverfew, baby's breath, tansy, southernwood, goldenrod, chrysanthemums, berry bushes. Beginning now we are raking leaves to add to the compost pile. Swamp maples have turned red, cooler air, gentler sun, and surge of new growth in the garden.

Bring inside the rosemary, scented geraniums, basil, parsley, and other plants you will want on your window sill for fresh herbs all winter long. This is also the time to fill small pots or cans with clips of geraniums for hostess gifts and to give to folks needing a boost in the winter. I like to take a healthy stalk and pinch it to the next leaf. Dip it in a root-tone and put it into the center of a pot filled with fresh new potting soil. Set up a step ladder in the corner of a room and place these pots on the steps. Makes for easy watering, as they are all together, and they are easy to prune and clip as you bring them into beautiful blooms. Plus it is a pleasant look to any room.

Divide daylilies now and phlox once they have flowered. Harvest before frost all your annuals. Continue harvesting others to dry and add to the winter supply. Gather handfuls of goldenrod, (no one is allergic to golden rod. It comes out the same time as ragweed and that is the culprit) zinnias, cone flowers, grasses, and with an elastic gather at the top and hang in a window. When dried gather all the window bouquets and place in a large basket for the winter enjoyment.

Freeze chives, chop basil and parsley to keep the color for winter cooking. Usually, first frost in Zone 5 is October 15th so take in the houseplants before the frost hits. Once the first frost hits it is time to gather the hydrangeas. Place in a basket to dry in place, and hang bouquets of them to later be taken apart to lay in the limbs of your holiday tree. Save one large dried bouquet for the tree top. Beautiful all winter long. I still have a basket 3 years old on the top of a step back filled with hydrangeas that are still so pink; they are beautiful.

October you will enjoy asters, chrysanthemums, goldenrod, sunflowers, autumn colors overnight. Good time to overhaul sections of the garden while still fresh in your mind as

still some plants are in place. Or at least take notes.

Hang anti-moth bouquets fresh in your closets. Bunch together strong smelling herbs like Artemisia, mints, rosemary, southernwood, tansy, and with an elastic hang in each closet of your home. It deters moths and keeps your closets smelling awesome. This is always a fun thing to do when you have guests. Give them a pair of scissors and an elastic to make a Closet Bundle to take home; not only fun but something that is remembered and used.

Split all the bulbs, like tulips, daffodils, jonquils now and replant for spring.

Question when to revamp a garden in spring or fall is often asked. In our climate, each season has advantages and disadvantages. The best advice is to do the job when you can, when spirit moves you and you have spare time; true for so much of gardening which is why we all love it. The rules about when to do something applies only if it is convenient. Do the job when you can rather than not at all.

Begin harvesting in earnest. One morning you will wake up and it will be too late. Gather what you will want for winter bouquets, wreath making, potpourris, and your own supplies before you miss it.

My enthusiasm for weeding and tending the gardens dwindles considerably by the middle of October. Beds are often cold and damp from frosty nights, and heavy morning dew. Everything is fading and raking takes priority.

October is the time to plant your narcissus, freesia, and amaryllis bulbs for the holidays. Narcissus bulbs in shallow bowls of pebbles and water, in dark place 50 degrees to root and in 2-3 weeks bring out to stronger light. When shoots are 6-7" put on high bright window not direct sunlight. Display in 5 weeks. Talk about November and December next month. Happy raking....!!!

Primary and Zoning Ordinance Results

Marie Knowlton

The Richmond results of the 2010 primary were finalized by 11:15 Tuesday night September 14. 181 Republican and 119 Democratic ballots were cast.

The Republican results in Richmond: Governor - Frank Emiro 8, Jack Kimball 31, John Stephen 58, Karen Testerman 62. U.S. Senator - Bill Binnie 25, Dennis Lamare 5, Ovide Lamontagne 67, Tom Alciere 0, Kelly Ayotte 60, Gerard Beloin 0, Jim Bender 8. Congress - Robert Giuda 48, Jennifer Horn

85, Joseph Reilly 2, Wesley Sonner 1, Charles Bass 31. Executive Councilor - Dave Wheeler 139. State Senator - Tom Eaton 115, State Representative - Richard Dwinell 100. Sheriff - Richard Foote 114, County Attorney - Peter Heed 122 County Treasurer - Fred Parker 104 Register of Deeds - Evelyn Hubal 108, Register of Probate - Susan Castor 103, County Commissioner Aaron - Patt 93

Democrat results in Richmond: Governor - Frank Sullivan 7, John Lynch 83, Timothy Robertson 24. U S Senator - Paul Hodes 97 Congress - Katrina Swett 11, Ann McLane Kuster 101, Executive Councilor - Debora Pignatelli 91, State Senator Molly Kelly 104, State Representative - Theresa Majoy 108, Sheriff - Eli Rivera 88, County Treasurer - Stuart West 85, Register of Probate Anna Tilton 92, County Commissioner - Stillman Rogers 107.

The Town voted 187 No and 109 Yes to the adoption of the zoning ordinance approved by the Planning Board.

Notes from Town Hall

Selectmen's Office

- Personnel Policies. Last month, the Board of Selectmen adopted personnel policies that apply to all employees. These policies serve as guidelines to insure a workplace free of discrimination and harassment. The general provisions found in Section I also apply to elected and appointed officials, other volunteers who serve the town without compensation, and to contractors and vendors. The remaining policies cover employee classification, compensation and hours of work, including leave time, unemployment insurance, confidentiality, computer and communications use, security, conflict of interest, and standards of conduct. These policies are a work in progress and are subject to modification to stay current with legal requirements and the Town's employment situation. Sections on hiring and termination will be added as soon as they are completed. The adopted personnel policies are effective beginning on October 1, 2010. All employees and volunteer board members have been given a copy. If you would like a copy, please call Roberta Fraser or Bev Hart at 239-4232.

Our employees and volunteers are among the Town's most valuable assets and important resources. We are striving to create a safe, equitable and desirable workplace for our employees and a hospitable place for you, our customers, to conduct your business. We'd like to hear your ideas on how your town government can best serve you.

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- Budget 2011. In the coming months, the annual budget for 2011 will be developed. As you think about how we can improve municipal services for you, our residents, keep costs in mind. We will develop an annual operating budget, but that budget only addresses the day to day expenses of the town. Special reserve and expendable funds address long term needs and plans.

A plan that looks five or ten years ahead is the only way to meet those needs. The town does have a capital improvements program (CIP), which plans for expensive but necessary improvements and capital outlays so money is available for future expenses. Big projects like road repair and reconstruction, construction of a municipal building or rebuilding infrastructure belong on a CIP plan, as do large equipment or vehicle purchases. A strong CIP plan, developed carefully to implement plans by the various municipal departments, can help insure funds are available when needed. Planning is a very important part of making Richmond the place you and your children want to live and we encourage you to share your thoughts and ideas as the budget and CIP plan are developed for 2011.

GOOD NEWS FROM THE DMV

Annette Tokunaga, Town Clerk

On July 12, 2010, I was informed that the State of NH Motor Vehicle Division had changed their policy regarding renewing vehicle registrations. A renewal is when the current registration is about to expire and needs to be reregistered for another year. The State is now allowing non-owners to renew registrations and to *RECEIVE* the renewed registration. For example, a person may bring in the registration for a spouse. The spouse is the only owner listed on the registration. The person bringing in the registration is *NOT* listed on the registration. As long as the owner has *SIGNED* the registration, and as long as there is *NO CHANGE* of information on the expiring registration, the



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person bringing in the *ORIGINAL* (no copies accepted) expiring/expired registration can walk out of the clerk's office with the renewed registration.

This change in policy will make it easier for the residents of Richmond to renew vehicle registrations. I'm sure that you are as pleased as I am.

Dates to Remember

Annette Tokunaga, Town Clerk

October 11, 2010 - CLOSED for Columbus Day

October 14, 2010 - Last day to register to vote with Town Clerk for the Special School Election

October 21, 2010 - Last day to register to vote with Town Clerk for the General Election

October 26, 2010 - Special School Election. **[Polling location and hours undetermined as of 9/15/10]**

November 2, 2010 - CLOSED for the General Election
Polling hours: 8 AM – 7 PM at the Veteran's Hall

Richmond Public Library

Wendy O'Brien

Story Times - We have three story time offerings in October: first, a brief story hour for younger elementary school aged children on Monday, October 4th at 2:00 P.M.. All are welcome. Evelyn Winter will lead a pajama story time focusing on the popular story "The Little Old Lady Who Was Not Afraid of Anything," on Tuesday, October 5th at 6:30 P.M.. Gwyn Powers will lead a preschool story time on Saturday, October 9th at 11:00 A.M. Both of these story times will have a craft and snack. We do ask that children come accompanied and be supervised by an adult.

Kodah the Library Dog - Kodah, our official Library dog, will be visiting on October 16th at 11:00 A.M.. Kodah is a

certified pet therapy dog from Monadnock Therapy Pets and loves being read to by children. This offers a chance for a patient and non-judgmental ear for our younger or reluctant readers.

Bake Sale - It's not too early to look ahead to our next major fund-raising event - the Library bake sale! We will be holding an informational meeting on Saturday, October 9th at 10 A.M. at the Library for anyone who would like to help out with set up, sales during the day, or take down. Bakers are also welcome to attend!

Ongoing Book Sale - We had such a great response of book donations that we have created a book sale area in the Library's nonfiction room. Many of these books are brand new, and we would love for them to find good homes! Hardcover are just \$1.00, Paperbacks \$0.50, and Children's materials \$0.25. Drop by and find some quality books at just the right price!

FRENCH, PART DEUX

Marie Juhlin

Last spring, I offered a beginning conversational French course and was thrilled by the response. We learned greetings, numbers, food, ordering in a restaurant, telling time, and numerous other things. I would be pleased to offer the second half of that class, beginning on Tuesday, September 21, 2010, at the Richmond Public Library, from 6:30 to 8:00 P.M.. We will still be using Barron's Learn French the Fast and Fun Way, third edition, which you can buy at Border's, or even less expensive at Amazon.com. This class is for almost everyone, that is, ages 13-113! We have a lot of fun and there is no stress such as testing involved. I would appreciate it if a donation to RPL could be made at the first class. Please sign up at RPL, call Wendy O'Brien at the library, or call me at home. (239-5016)

If this is successful, I will be happy to teach another beginning class in January.



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Special School Election

Annette Tokunaga, Town Clerk

There will be a Special School Election on October 26, 2010. The purpose of this election will be to consider the withdrawal of the Monadnock School District from SAU 38. The polling location and hours has yet to be determined as of September 15, 2010.

Cemetery News Continuation

Geraldine Lutz, Cemetery Trustee

For those of us that like historical or trivia information, the Earl R. Howard Memorial is an extension of South Cemetery located about a half mile from the Four Corner Store on Athol Road. The land was donated by Raymond and Charlene Sexton in 1968 for the purpose as a memorial to Earl R. Howard who originally owned the land and is buried in South Cemetery. Earl R. Howard Memorial was designed as three sections by Harry Bennett while a Cemetery Trustee. Section I was developed and opened in 1975 and now has only 28 plots remaining. Sections II and III were cleared in 2008, and Section III, also known as the Green Burial Cemetery opened the same year with 70 plots. Section II, the largest area required professional help with the

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development plan; this was completed last month and has 298 full size plots and 32 half plots.

Earl R. Howard Memorial is a Trust Account Cemetery which means that the sale of the Lots are placed in a trust account and only the interest is used for the maintenance of the cemetery. The problem is that less than \$20.00 has been available for this purpose and therefore, the municipal funds are used for the maintenance of all cemeteries. With the opening of Section II the cost of the plots will now increase from \$25.00 to \$50.00 per plot (one grave site) for town residents and \$400 for non-residents; sale to non-residents will be determined yearly, based on available space. The maximum number of grave sites that can be purchased is three per family. The reason for this limit is to reduce the grave sites that will never be used because the family no longer lives in town. Also, those families that purchase lots will now have 30 days after moving from Richmond to notify the Cemetery Trustees on whether they want to continue to keep their plots or be reimbursed for the unused plots. The additional cost of \$115.00 for Section II is the purchase of corner stones. The cost of the corner stones will be collected with the sale of the lots; corner stones will be ordered by the trustees from Keene Monument who will install them. The exception to this is the sale of half plots for cremations; which can have only a flat stone for identification. The cost of the half plots is \$25.00.

The State of New Hampshire has no requirement for vaults to be used; therefore, they are no longer a requirement for the Town of Richmond. Section II will also allow for Green Burials. The area directly behind Section I and approximately half of New South will be allowed to have monuments and the remaining area will have flat stones only. The reason for this is to reduce the cost of the maintenance.

Section III has 70 plots; the cost of the plots is \$50 for

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residents and \$400 for non-residents, sale to non-residents will be considered yearly based upon available space.

Field stones from the State of New Hampshire are the only authorized markers to be used as foot stones and corner markers.

The remaining plots in Section I will now be \$50 each; but corner stones will be optional.

We are in the process of purchasing signs for Sections II and III as well as for Middletown.

Craft Fair

Terri O'Rourke

The Cheshire Craftsmen Guild presents their annual Craft Fair Saturday & Sunday, Oct. 2 & 3 at the Keene Recreation Center, Washington St. in Keene

Richmond Holiday Fair

Allison VanBrocklin

We are pleased to announce that the annual Richmond Holiday Fair will be held on Saturday, November 13, 2010, at the Richmond Veterans Hall, Route 32, Richmond, NH. Shopping hours are from 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM, with luncheon served from 11:00 AM until 1:00 PM.

Many area residents start their holiday season with a trip to the Holiday Fair. We have returning artisans presenting a variety of wares including pen & ink prints, paintings, country collectables, scented soaps and candles, hand-knit and crocheted treasures, caned chairs, and quilted wall hangings. Friends of the Richmond Library will sponsor a bake sale of homemade delectables.

The Holiday Fair is sponsored by the Richmond Community Church. The luncheon menu includes corn chowder, chili, and freshly made sandwiches. Church members also offer a table of seasonal crafts, plants and homemade candies for sale. We hope you will join us for this unique shopping experience! For further information, please call Alison at 239-4494. (At the time of this writing there are still a few spaces available to rent, please call if you are interested.)

"Never Give up Race "

John Boccalini

Please join the Morin family in a 4.4 mile run/walk event on Sunday, October 10, 2010 at Monadnock Regional High School starting at 10 am.

The benefit has been organized in support of Angella Morin Joslyn, daughter of Butch and Theresa Morin, who is a mother of four, a Winchester Elementary School Teacher, and a 1991 graduate of Monadnock Regional High School. She has been diagnosed with lung cancer. Angella lives life to the fullest, loves spending time with her family and has a desire to make a difference. Please help support Angella and her family during these challenging times

Registration fee for runners and walkers is \$25

Children not participating in the road race can register for \$3. Children's events will take place on the track and field of MRHS. This is a fenced area which will be staffed by our volunteers. Children can participate in short races, soccer, face painting and crafts to name a few. There will be a few children's prizes.

Prizes will be awarded to the male and female overall fastest runner and winner from each age category.

Prizes will be awarded to the fastest male and female walker.

Snacks after the race.

The following is a letter from Angella:

To My Family, Friends and Supporters:

First of all, thank you for your support while I fight the battle of my life. I wanted to let you know how much your support was able to do in the past year. Here are some of the things it helped with:

- New outside furnace and radiant heat (to keep the smoke out of the house to try to keep my lungs healthy and clear).

- Water mitigation system to keep our water radon free.

- Change of diet to mostly organic and vegetarian

Of course there are always the ongoing costs (co-pays for medication, doctor visits, blood work, x-rays and CAT scans. The higher cost of switching to organic is ongoing but we are hoping by eating and living as healthy as we can, we are able to prolong my life.

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Despite chemo, daily shots in my abdomen, and having my port flushed every four weeks, I'm feeling OK. It is still a battle everyday but I have made it past the 6 month prognosis and will continue to fight.

I grew up on Fish Hatchery Road in Richmond, NH. My Dad is on the Planning Board (Butch Morin), my Mom is on the Zoning Board of Adjustment (Theresa Morin) and my sister (Janel Swanson) used to be the Richmond Selectmen's Administrative Assistant. My sister, Melanie, and I will be running in the next Boston Marathon and will raise money and awareness for lung cancer. I hope to see you on October 10th, 2010, at Monadnock Regional High School.

Thank you, Angella Morin Joslyn

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Another Successful Fundraiser**Bonnie McCarthy**

Thank you Richmond and nearby towns for your much appreciated support of the annual Richmond Public Library book sale and silent auction on Sunday, August 29, 2010. We earned \$634.25, which surpassed last year's revenue. The money will be used to expand our growing selection of children's literature.

We want to express our deepest gratitude to the many volunteers who made our main fundraiser an unqualified success. Marie Juhlin and Elaine Moriarty helped get ready

the day before; Patty Budzik, Bonnie McCarthy, Tracey Tryba, Anthony Marinello, and Dylan Packard helped to set up; Carol Oxx and Gwyn Powers helped at the cash table; and Shelia and Samantha Zahaykevitz and Steve and Susan Wyatt helped clean up. Volunteers are the life blood of the RPL and exemplify the idea that "volunteering expands your horizons." We appreciate all past and all current volunteers, and welcome any new and prior volunteers who may be considering where to spend their time.

An additional, huge thank you goes to Tracey Tryba, who solicited so many of the wonderful prizes for the silent auction. Thanks also go to the area businesses and individuals who donated items for the silent auction: The Colonial Theatre, The Works, Panera Bread, Prime Roast, Hannaford Supermarkets, Stonewall Farm, Toadstool Bookshops, Marie Juhlin, Bonnie McCarthy, Elaine Moriarty, Wendy O'Brien, and Terri O'Rorke.

Your home town library continues to offer a welcoming place to browse our book shelves, use our free high speed Internet connection, and just relax in a comfortable, friendly atmosphere. Come on down.

Dessert Theater Update**John Boccalini**

The organizers of the Dessert Theater have decided to postpone the November event until the Spring of 2011. Keep polishing up those acts for this Grand event.

School District September 2010**Jim Carnie and Neil Moriarty**

SAU Withdrawal vote for Monadnock Withdrawal from SAU 38 for October 26, 2010. By law (Attorney General's office), the withdrawal vote could not be combined with the regular elections. It was reported in The Sentinel that there might be an increased cost when Monadnock (MRSD) withdraws from SAU 38—that is *simply not true*. The withdrawal committee expects a cost savings

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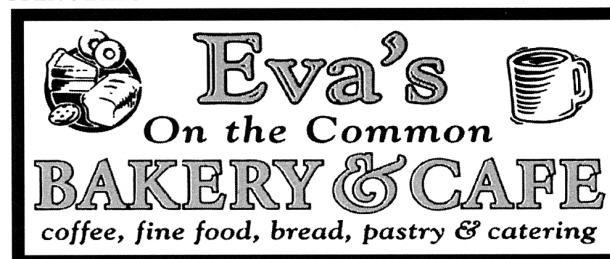
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Monadnock (MRSD) Withdrawal

Jim Carnie and Neil Moriarty

Voting October 26, 2010

The state provides a vehicle (RSA 194-C) for school districts to withdraw from one SAU and to create their own. An SAU being the assemblage that provides administrative tasks for schools, such as, the Superintendent, business administration, human resources, payroll, etc. Voters provided for this process by authorizing your withdrawal committee in March 2010 – a committee was formed, and we both were appointed to the committee. The committee's main emphasis was on improving the education process; mainly, by streamlining the SAU's activity to only MRSD. Under a MRSD SAU each person would be responsible only for Monadnock activity. A vote by the MRSD school board (which meets twice a month) would immediately be reflected in the action of the SAU staff without the delay caused by current SAU process (meeting about quarterly). We expect a very responsive SAU. It is more likely than not that we can run a separate SAU more economically than today's SAU 38 cost. Today we pay 67% of SAU 38 expenses. Just the simple math of paying for one employee (100%) vs. paying for part of two (or more) employees (67% + 67%) should see a cost reduction. There should also be savings to be had in not duplicating efforts between the SAU and MRSD itself (most of that savings will be within the MRHS –MS areas.)

The withdrawal committee's entire report can be read at the town library; or, on the Monadnock website (mrsl NH in google) – in the first box WITHDRAW. I (Neil) am trying to get them to put a summary document up there so you don't have to drudge through so many pages.

The NH Department of Education (DOE) unanimously endorsed MRSD withdrawal from SAU 38. Your School Board, supports withdrawal; and as three members of the Budget committee were on this committee, we expect strong withdrawal

over the years. In the first year operating as a separate SAU, we must be conservative (on savings) because of the possible unknowns that might arise. On another positive note, the NH State Dept. of Education (DOE) unanimously accepted, and even recommended that MRSD withdraw from SAU 38; thus the vote above. Ironically, a NO vote on withdrawal (i.e., stay within SAU 38) will actually increase costs of SAU 38; because, Hinsdale is withdrawing (from SAU 38) and you can't cut a staff person in half. Winchester has yet to present their withdrawal plan to the DOE.

Surry is Out of SAU 38. A court ruling (Surry had sued to get out) moved the Surry School District out of SAU 38. It is unclear as to what happens next for Surry.

SAU and Monadnock Organizational Changes. Mr. David LaPointe is our new Facilities Manager. Dave is an alumnus of MRSD and will move back to his hometown of Troy. Dave started September 1, 2010 and has jumped in with both feet. Additionally, some requested union/association affiliations additions were approved by the school board.

The All-Day Kindergarten Evaluation Committee made their report on September 7, 2010 with a recommendation of going forward with fulltime Kindergarten beginning in the fall of 2011. The board accepted the recommendation. The committee stressed the importance of early child intervention as a vehicle to improve overall education for our children. We will report on costs at a later date – the committee did provide a baseline cost and plan; however, their plan is not yet combined with the overall 2011-2012 budget.

High School Renovations *Important Note:* The National Education Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC) has taken MRSD off probation as far as the facility (high school) is concerned. To accomplish that probation removal, our investment from you, the taxpayer, so far has been \$3 million (projecting another \$2 million, with part of that already collected.) I guess you don't have to spend \$179 million that Newton North High School did, to provide a quality education facility.

With some minor exceptions the high school renovations were completed in time to start the school year. A great deal of credit goes to the custodial staff that had to do a lot of shifting of their summer tasks to work around the construction.

As always if you have comments, suggestions, or concerns, give Jim (239 4948), or Neil (239 4031) a call.

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Any questions feel free to call: Jim 239 4948, Neil 239 4031. We feel that it is in the best interest of the Richmond voters and your children to support your elected officials and urge you to Vote YES for withdrawal on October 26, 2010.

Think home cookin'!!!

Kim Mattson and Jean Tandy

On Nov. 10, 2010 7:00 PM, Steve Taylor will be speaking about "The Great Sheep Boom and its Enduring Legacy on the New Hampshire Landscape" at the Richmond Veteran's Hall. A Pot Luck Dinner will precede this event at 5:30 PM.

Join your neighbors for a wonderful Pot Luck dinner and evening with Steve Taylor. Steve is an Independent scholar, farmer, journalist and longtime public official. Taylor operates a dairy and maple farm in Meriden Village, New Hampshire and served a quarter century as NH's Commissioner of Agriculture. He has been a newspaper reporter and editor. He was also the first Executive Director of the NH Humanities council and is a life long student of the state's rural culture.

Come join us for an evening of entertainment and education on the impact "sheep" had in our State to create the landscape we now enjoy and admire. Steve is a very entertaining speaker with his native NH slang. This is a wonderful presentation for all ages to learn more about the history of our State while meeting friends and neighbors. Steve is brought to Richmond through the Humanities Council and the Richmond Conservation Commission in collaboration with the Rural Preservation Committee.

The RCC with the RPC, is working as an exploratory committee to create interest in Agriculture in Richmond and to promote interest in the establishment of an Agricultural Committee to be presented as an article on the 2011 Town Warrant.

We hope to share good food at Vet's Hall on November 10. Please join us there.

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Haunted House!!

Terri Sillanpa

Are you brave enough to enter the chilling abode of the Amos J. Blake House Museum at Halloween? Join us as we open the 1837 house to the public during this frightening week-end. Witches will beckon you through the front door with spidery fingers! Rooms with creepy themes will be dim with shadows of the unknown in every corner.

This spooky event is being done in association with Rick Hoyt and Valerie Coates' of Rindge who formerly ran the Haunted Barn at Shadowledge. Their famous creatures of fright will be in attendance for this terrifying Halloween happening!

Cost is \$1 per person. The museum is located on the Fitzwilliam Town Common (66 Route 119, General James Reed Highway). The Fitzwilliam Historical Society is a non-profit organization. Dates are Friday & Saturday, October 29th & 30th from 7:00-10:00 pm and Sunday, October 31st 2010 from 8:00 pm-10:00 pm. Adult supervision and discretion is advised. Enter at your own risk! www.fitzhistoricalsociety.org

Richmond Call List Updated

Kim Mattson

How many of you still have your 1994 Richmond Call List sitting by your phone. And though it's been written on with updates, how many still use our call list to look up local numbers within our Town? Need to find a phone number to call 4-Corners? Town Offices? Local business? Your Neighbor? Well we have taken on the task of updating our Richmond Phone List. We have put together almost 6 pages of phone numbers from public information and with the help of our 1994 phone list.



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Wes Vaughan

Starting in Oct. we will have a Master copy at the 4-Corners store. If you don't see your name and number listed please use the back sheet and add your contact information. If you have a cell phone as your primary contact, add that number in. If we have your number incorrect please update or if you would prefer not to be on the list cross your name off. We are asking that each family have only one number listed.

Business Listings will be offered in a separate section at the end of the list and advertising spaces will be offered to local business's to purchase. Our hope will be that we can pay our printing charges and mail this piece through the Rooster as a stuffer so that every resident can have a "new" copy to replace their dog-eared, worn out and written on phone list.

If you don't go to the store but would like to update with a new number, cell number or check to see if we included you please call Terri 239-4595 or Kim 239-6606. Leave us a message with your information if we are not able to answer your call.

Thanks for your help and I can't wait to have my new phone list. But, knowing me I'll still keep the old one...

Bob Hugh VanBrocklin

Steve Boscarino

The only contact I had with Mr. Van Brocklin was as tax collector. Occasionally, I'd see him around town and at town meetings. In my five and half years as tax collector, I would see Mr. Van Brocklin at least twice a year. Each visit I was greeted with a smile, pleasantness, and small talk. I never saw the gentleman without a smile. He was always pleasant. As a boy, I was raised to respect my elders, that being anyone old enough to be my father...I accustomed myself to address any of my elders as Mr. or Mrs. Though I did not know Mr. Van Brocklin, I too feel a sense of sadness and loss at his passing. May he rest in peace!

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ANYONE INTERESTED?

Carol Oxx

Is there any interest in starting up a low-key, just-for-fun weekly bridge game. It could be for those who already know the game or those interested in learning. Bridge lessons could be arranged (at a cost, of course) or I would be willing to help teach a rank beginner person. It could be anytime during the day, or any day of the week and the location could be at a town facility (Veterans' Hall, Civil Defense Bldg.), a church parish hall or rotate people's home.

Interested people can make those decisions. Call 239-6712, for more information

Happy Halloween!

Jessica at Patch's Kindred K9.

I would like to invite you to our OPEN HOUSE on Saturday, October 30th from 9AM to 3PM. Come on in to tour the shop and enjoy some treats for you and your furry friends, also enter in our MONTHLY DRAWING to win a FREE GROOM! We are located at 16 Old Troy Rd. right off of Rt.119 on the Richmond/Fitzwilliam town line. We hope to see you there! Costumes are optional I am also open anytime for emergency De-Skunking. Timing is the key to success. The longer you wait the harder it is to remove the smell. Don't hesitate to call immediately after the encounter. If you have any questions please give me a call at 603-585-6881.

August Notes from the Town Office

Kim Mattson

This is a response to *The Richmond Rooster's* August issue "Notes from the Town Office" column.

"God vs. The Gavel", by Marci Hamilton, is indeed an excellent avenue to explain Richmond's situation. Thanks to the Selectmen's Notes, August 2010 *Richmond Rooster*. I would suggest that all our neighbors read this very informative book: esp. the chapter(s) on "Religious Land Use and Residential Neighborhoods".

Aug. 3, 2010 I attended a Richmond Planning Board meeting which greatly disturbed me. "*Forced acceptance*" is how I would describe that evening. As Marci Hamilton explained in her book. "Local Government has found itself quite literally between a rock and a hard place on these issues. These intensely used properties wedged into residential neighborhoods, are often the result of imprudent decision making

by City governments, which follow the tendency of all US politicians, to defer to request by religious entities, without adequate independent analysis. A recent study concluded that it is extraordinarily uncommon for congregations to be denied permission by government authorities to engage in the activities in which they wish to engage."

Marci Hamilton goes on to explain: "It can take little for government officials to be swayed to the religious entities side, especially if the religious applicant pulls the discrimination card. If there is one thing local governments do not want, it is constitutional litigation in the Federal courts accusing them of religious or racial discrimination, and whenever they can avoid it they will. If that means bending the land-use rules to grant a religious entity's request, that is often what will happen".

Through all of Richmond's supposed discrimination and litigation, are the neighbors who must reside as abutters. To quote Marci Hamilton, "When size and intense use combine to affect those who reside nearby, previously friendly neighbors can become hostile enemies. There are two conflicting dynamics happening at once. The religious entity is experiencing a heady and exciting period of expansion, and may well see earthly hurdles as contrary to its divinely inspired religious movement. The neighbors are in a very different place. Typically, they have lived in the neighborhood for a long time, or they chose the neighborhood for its residential qualities, so the new building project is a serious threat to their quality of life. To make matters worse for everyone concerned, a home is often a family's largest financial and emotional investment: thus, when the character of the neighborhood and, therefore, property values are threatened, homeowners understandably object. They really do not care if the expansion project will result in a bakery or a temple. You could be a car dealership, a hospital, a university: It doesn't matter-especially if it is in your neighborhood'.

"Either way, they are losing what they value most in their homes. Yet, given the demographics of religion in the United States, the two sides are almost always religious, so any implied condescension from the leader of the project can really hit a nerve and even a whiff of a holier-than-thou attitude from the members can lead to a conflagration of bad feelings. Conversely, objections by the homeowners are too often translated as somehow anti-religious".

To leave you with one last excerpt from "God vs. The Gavel". "It also cuts to the heart of another cherished American principle: the belief in fair dealing. When churches get special

privileges, their neighbors feel (and rightly so) that they have been cheated. It is fundamentally unfair to treat property owners in the same location differently because of their identities. It's a gut instinct for Americans, and altering the balance between property owners has been divisive, to say the least.

The real property system in the United States established opportunity and equality. So long as religious entities insist on having special property rights, they will generate the backlash they are just now beginning to comprehend".

Thank you Marci A. Hamilton ("God vs. The Gavel, Religion and the Rule of Law") Cambridge University Press.

Marci A. Hamilton is an internationally recognized constitutional expert specializing in church/state relations. She is a leading authority on the Religious Freedom Restoration Act and is involved in cutting edge First Amendment litigation, for both clergy abuse (on behalf of victims) and land use cases.



L to R - Aurthur Stinson, Arthur Lounder, Ed Martin, Bob VanBrocklin, ??, Bob VanValzah, Harry Hooper Jr., ??

Memories

Arlene Stinson Collier

I've always known Bob Van Brocklin. He was thirteen when I was born in Richmond, so the name and the man always was a part of "Richmond folks" to me.

He, along with my Dad was a major player in the beginning days of establishing the Richmond Fire Dept. I grew up hearing about the efforts of the volunteer men and women who worked, tirelessly after their day jobs, to make the Fire Dept a reality for Richmond. In later years my sister and I lived in Illinois. After my Dad died, Bob would help my mom on a moments notice with any job she couldn't handle. He did the

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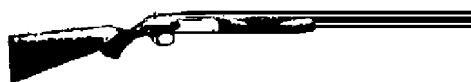
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same for my sister and I after my Mom died. He would check the house regularly when we weren't there. The last time I saw Bob was a couple years ago at the Randals. He came in, sat down and I said "Do you remember me?" "Yup" he said with a twinkle in his eye "You're Alice Stinson. How you been?"

Bob has gone on to his reward for a life well lived but the people and town are better for knowing him and his quiet efforts to make a difference. Richmond has lost a gentle giant of a man who kept his eye on the pulse of the town.

So long and thank you faithful friend and neighbor.

Declaration Of Independence

Jean Tandy

If anyone thinks The United States of America just happened, look what happened to the signers of the 'Declaration Of Independence'. Read it every July 4th.

Great one! We cannot forget Samuel Adams - he was marked for death by the British because he was so influential in keeping people grounded in the revolution, played a major role in American politics, didn't give a hoot about money (always wore the same red suit and had a great disdain for showy displays of wealth in politics), and believed God inspired their righteous cause. A great read is "Samuel Adams, A Life", by Ira Stoll - it reinforces how amazing Samuel Adams and the other founding fathers were!!

Have you ever wondered what happened to the 56 men who signed the Declaration of Independence?

Five signers were captured by the British as traitors and tortured before they died.

Twelve had their homes ransacked and burned.

Two lost their sons serving in the Revolutionary Army; another had two sons captured. Nine of the 56 fought and died from wounds or hardships of the Revolutionary War.

They signed and they pledged their lives, their fortunes, and their sacred honor. What kind of men were they?

Twenty-four were lawyers and jurists.

Eleven were merchants, nine were farmers and large plantation owners; men of means, well educated, but they signed the Declaration of Independence knowing full well that the penalty would be death if they were captured.

Carter Braxton of Virginia, a wealthy planter and trader, saw his ships swept from the seas by the British Navy. He sold his home and properties to pay his debts, and died in rags.

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Thomas McKeam was so hounded by the British that he was forced to move his family almost. He served in the Congress without pay, and his family was kept in hiding. His possessions were taken from him, and poverty was his reward.

Vandals or soldiers looted the properties of Dillery, Hall, Clymer, Walton, Gwinnett, Heyward, Rutledge, and Middleton.

At the battle of Yorktown, Thomas Nelson, Jr., noted that the British General Cornwallis had taken over the Nelson home for his headquarters. He quietly urged General George Washington to open fire. The home was destroyed, and Nelson died bankrupt. Francis Lewis had his home and properties destroyed.

The enemy jailed his wife, and she died within a few months. John Hart was driven from his wife's bedside as she was dying.

Their 13 children fled for their lives. His fields and his gristmill were laid to waste. For more than a year he lived in forests and caves, returning home to find his wife dead and his children vanished.

So, take a few minutes while enjoying your 4th of July holiday and silently thank these patriots. It's not much to ask for the price they paid.

Remember: freedom is never free!

It's time we get the word out that patriotism is alive and well and the Fourth of July has more to it than beer, picnics, and baseball games.

Meadowood Fire Department

Melanie Ellis

The members of the Meadowood County Area Fire Department would like to thank all those that donated or participated in our Annual Auction in August. It was a great day. We also held a yard sale at the Meadowood Assembly Hall on Labor Day weekend to benefit the Department and it was a great success as well. A big thanks goes to all that continue to support the Meadowood County Area Fire Dept.

On October 30, the Meadowood County Area Fire Department will be having a Halloween theme Spaghetti Supper. Before the supper there will be a Kids Halloween party with

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games starting at 3:30PM and the Spaghetti Supper will follow from 4:30 PM- 6:30 PM. Halloween costumes are encouraged, but not mandatory.



It's The Utter Guy - Alex Hoar & Pam Rooney
Dancing at Brown Baggin. Photo by Marie Knowlton

The RPC Column

Kandace Mattson & Jean Tandy

At this date, the Richmond Conservation Committee and the Rural Protection Committee have formed an exploratory committee, with the mission to promote interest in the establishment of an Agricultural Committee to be presented as an article on the 2011 Town Warrant. The e-mail address provided in the September Rooster shall be moot until further notice.

National Coming Out Day 2010

Chris Holman

On Monday, October 11th from 11-3 there will be the first GLBTQA (Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgendered, Questioning, & Allies) Business Expo at the Best Western Soveren Hotel, 401 Winchester St., Keene NH. Sponsored and co-chaired by Holly Rilling (Edward Jones), this event will feature organizations and businesses in the region that are either GLBTQA-owned or are friendly to the GLBTQA community. There will be speakers throughout the event with topics such as Domestic Partner Insurance, Your Big Gay Wedding, and Family Friendly Investments. Co-chair Chris Holman (a.k.a. CJ the DJ) will be entertaining the crowd with music and karaoke.

There are no fees to participate in the event; we simply request

that each business, organization and attendee bring a gift certificate, toy, game, or other item to be given to the Twin States Network, which will be given to a child affected by HIV and/or Hepatitis C. Space is limited for businesses, charities, & other groups, so be sure to reserve your space early by calling Chris Holman at 603-852-6185. Additional information is available online at <http://www.CJtheDJ.com/Business-Expo.html>.

"The Mothers-in-Law"

Frank Behrens

I recall watching a certain sitcom back in 1967 and loving it. Since then, all I can recall is the two female leads standing on stage dressed as Valkyries in the opera of the same name. How happy I was to see that scene again—along with all the other 55 episodes that are now available in a boxed set of 8 DVDs from MPI: "The Mothers-in-Law, The Complete Series."

The basic premise is the relationship of two married couples who are neighbors.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubbard (Herbert Rudley and Eve Arden) have a daughter Suzie (Deborah Walley) who elopes with Jerry (Jerry Fogel), the son of Mr. and Mrs. Buell (Roger C. Carmichael in the first season/Richard Deacon in the second, and Kaye Ballard). Many of the plots are based on the predictable antics of the mothers-in-law trying to run the young couple's lives, others are based on the pattern set by Lucy and Ethel in which idiotic actions lead to farcical situations. (Desi Arnaz is the director, by the way.)

Yes, the humor is that of the late 1960s, when the country was involved in a seemingly never-ending war (don't we ever learn?), and audiences turned to fantasy ("I Dream of Jeannie," "Bewitched," and "The Flying Nun") and broad slapstick comedy. "The Mothers-in-Law" was one of the better new entries in the otherwise barren 1967-68 television season.

It picked up quite a following but was dropped after only two seasons. Arden was her classic satirical self and acted as a buffer for the broader ethnic humor of Ballard, who played the excitable Italian female based (she says in an interview) on her own family background. In the same way, Rudley plays the calmer, more restrained husband to Carmichael's boastful one. Despite Ballard's stated preference, I find Deacon (yes, dear old Mel Coolie from "The Dick Van Dyke Show") much funnier. The actors playing the children are simply bland.

The 1967 colors are garish, the makeup heavy. And along the way, many guest stars do their thing: Don Rickles, Jimmy Durante, and even Desi himself. There are lots of bonus materials on Disc 8 and subtitles.

So for those who seek Nostalgic Silly, this MPI set will provide 27 hours of happiness.

Zoning Ordinance

John Boccacini

On Sept 14 there was a vote on the Planning Board Amendment. Although the proposed ordinance meet the requirements to provide a location in Town for a House of Worship to build that complies with federal law, the Amendment failed to pass by a vote of 187-No, 109-Yes. The Rooster is seeking feedback on why people voted the way they did on this issue and if they have any constructive ideas on how we, as a town, can resolve this issue that needs to be resolved.

Selectmen Minutes

Date: 19 July 2010 - Time: 7:00pm

Selectmen's Meeting Attending: Sandra Gillis, JC Boudreau
Read mail and signed checks.

Steve Boscarino, Tax Collector, went over the monthly report with the Selectmen and a property lien.

Dick Drew came in to see the Selectmen regarding a Conservation Commission/ Planning Board issue.

The Board discussed the recent road improvements to Fay Martin Rd. They also reviewed the scenic road sight walk from October 2009. By request the Selectmen had individually visited the road near M412- L022 and determined that the construction was in line with the scenic road sight walk.

Kevin Duffy applied for and was approved for building permit # 2010-008 for a deck.

Ryan and David Gale addressed the Board on behalf of Sustainable Elements, their business, and they submitted some documentation regarding building permit # 2009-006 and to obtain an energy audit application.

The Selectmen received two 91: A requests from road agent Dana Taylor. Roberta was instructed to contact Dana regarding his requests.

The Board worked on the zoning/compliance officer job description.

The Board reviewed the budget.

Amendment: Hugh VanBrocklin was in to ask about taking over his father's mowing job behind the fire station and the board granted his request.

There being no other business to come before the Board, the Board adjourned at 10:25pm.

Date: 26 July 2010 - Time: 7:00pm

Attending: Sandra Gillis, JC Boudreau, Wes Vaughan
Read mail and signed checks.

JC made a motion to amend July 19, 2010 minutes to include that Hugh VanBrocklin had come into the Board and requested to take over his father's mowing behind the fire station and the Board approved it. Sandra seconded it. Motion carried with Wes abstaining.

David Marazoff, Cross Country Appraisal, LLC met with the board regarding two abatements. The first one, M 405 L121, a gravel pit, was denied. Sandra has some questions about the denial. She asks if the valuation was based on the potential value of the materials in the ground and if it was how it can be defended. Dave believes that his denial for the abatement was justified. He used a comparable sale for the denial, not using the potential value of the materials. The second abatement, M402 L030, was granted and Dave feels that was also justified. He looked at comparable homes and was comparing homes on Old Homestead Highway, even though he was using comparables from Swanzey also. The home is of better quality than the others around them, but not to what it is assessed at. Wes made a motion to grant the abatement for the property as

recommended by Dave Marazoff. JC seconded it. Sandra doesn't agree with the abatement. JC explained that Dave said the decision could go either way. JC called the motion and it carried 2-1. Steve Boscarino, tax collector, addressed the Board with a property that is up for tax deeding, M406-L002. All the necessary notices have been sent. Wes made a motion to tax deed M406-L002. JC seconded it. Motion carried.

Bruce Feltus met with the Board regarding the zoning/compliance officer position. JC explained the job description and that the job is an as-needed basis. Bruce asked a few questions and inquired as to what is in the works in town now. He also asked about the pay rate and JC told him it is \$20.00 an hour. After a few more questions and discussion, Bruce informed the Board that he is not interested in the position.

Matt Drew met with the Board regarding the zoning/compliance officer position. The Board has met with Matt before. The Board discussed if there would be any conflicts of interest and Matt can only see it if he does surveying work on a parcel that needs to be

inspected. JC informed him that the job is as-needed and it pays \$20.00 hr. Matt asked about the process of the building permits and the inspections. JC made a motion to appoint Matthew Drew to the position of zoning/compliance officer. Wes seconded it. Discussion: The Board discussed whether it be a one year term or three year and decided to start with a one year term. Motion carried.

Road agent Dana Taylor addressed the board regarding the driveway reconstructed at 150 Tully Brook Rd. The culvert was moved and raised up. The new driveway actually extends into the Tully Brook Rd. This driveway was done without a driveway permit. Another issue is the driveway is supposed to pitch away from the traveled way and it now sends all the water into the road causing a probable icing issue in winter. The Board recom-

mended that Dana create a letter to send to the owner addressing what the problems are.

Dana also discussed some other issues he has. The Board discussed projects the highway dept. is working on.

The Board asked Dana to come up with a plan to repair Fish Hatchery Rd.

Marsha Garone came in for a building permit for M409 L082. She will come back with more information.

Alicia Kinson came in for a building permit for M407 L098. She will come back with more information.

There being no other business to come before the Board, the Board adjourned at 10:30 pm.

Date: 02 August 2010 - Time: 7:00pm

Selectmen's Meeting

Attending: Sandra Gillis, JC Boudreau, Wes Vaughan
Read mail and signed checks.

Annette Tokunaga addressed the Board looking for a copy of the minutes that reflect what the Board decision was regarding the settlement with St. Benedict's. A copy was provided to the Town clerk's office.

Wes inquired about the special town meeting. Wes made



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a motion to hold a special town meeting on September 14, 2010 (Primary day) to consider zoning ordinance amendment(s). Sandra seconded it. Motion carried.

Terri O'Rourke and Kim Mattson addressed the board and asked about the zoning/compliance officer and if anyone has been hired. JC let them know that Matthew Drew was hired for the position. They also asked about the budget for the officer and if the building permit fees have been changed to offset the pay for the zoning/compliance officer. JC informed them that the fees have been increased as of April 1, 2010. Kim also inquired if spill kits are in all town vehicles, as was voted for at town meeting, and if the contractors the town uses are required to have them. Roberta will contact the fire and highway department regarding spill kits.

Patricia and David Boscarino addressed the board to discuss a tax matter. Sandra made a motion that the Board of Selectmen accept the agreement between the Town of Richmond and Mr. & Mrs. Boscarino. Wes seconded it. Motion carried.

Alicia Kinson addressed the board with a building permit application for M407-L098 for a barn. The permit was approved.

The Board discussed and decided to put the oil & propane contract for the winter season out for bid.

Wes made a motion to accept the MOA agreement between the Town of Richmond and the NH Department of Safety to reprogram all P-25 radios. Sandra seconded it. Motion carried.

Shannon Deem applied for a building permit for a garage which was denied because it does not meet the 83' front setback requirement. The Board referred him to the ZBA.

Signed appointment paper for Matt Drew, zoning compliance officer for one year.

Signed appointment paper for JC Boudreau to be on the recreation committee for one year.

The Board approved intent to cut for M402-L001

The Board reviewed the proposed harassment policy.

There being no other business to come before the Board, the Board adjourned at 10:45 pm.

Date: 09 August 2010 - Time: 7:00pm

Attending: Sandra Gillis, JC Boudreau, Wes Vaughan

Read mail and signed checks.

Signed rental application for the Veteran's Hall for Oct. 30 thru Nov. 7, 2010 for the Recreation Committee for Halloween festivities and the Bob VanBrocklin Dessert Theatre.

Sandy Perry addressed the Board regarding a ZBA issue.

Bill Johnson addressed the Board with two certificates of occupancy to be approved for M405-078-1 and M405-078-2.

The new Zoning/compliance officer, Matthew Drew, approved the Certificate of Occupancy prior and the Board now needs to approve, which they did.

Mr. Don Mueller addressed the Board with concerns about Taylor Hill Rd. He would like it to be graded.

JC made a motion to transfer \$4500.00 from the Municipal Buildings Construction/Renovation Capital Reserve Fund into the general fund for an entrance off the highway to the new municipal building land. Wes seconded it. Motion carried.

Signed intent to cut for Daniel J. Earley, (POA), Hamilton Bailey Trust M404135,47,48, M405-27 M405-33. A letter was also sent regarding the condition of the road pre and post harvesting.

JC made a motion to accept the resignation of Jack Marsden as a member of the Zoning Board of Adjustment. Wes seconded it. Motion carried. The Board thanks Jack for his years of service and wish him well.

Approved pistol permit #R338526 Sandra made a motion that the Town of Richmond will not use PA-28 form (inventory) in 2011. Wes seconded it. Motion carried.

Discussed personnel policy regarding ADA and Employee classifications.

There being no other business to come before the Board, the Board adjourned at 10:00 pm.

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Special School Election October 26, 2010.

To Consider the Withdrawal of the
Monadnock School District from SAU 38

Polling Location and Hours have yet to be determined.

Date: 16 August 2010 - Time: 7:00pm

Attending: Sandra Gillis, JC Boudreau, Wes Vaughan
Read mail and signed checks.

Steve Boscarino, tax collector, addressed the Board regarding a property that will be tax deeded, M 409 L40

Annette Tokunaga, town clerk, addressed the Board with some mail she received for the Board.

She also asked if there needed to be an indication on the warrant for the special town meeting of who submitted the proposed ordinance amendment and if the planning board had recommended or not recommended it. The Board discussed this and according to RSA 675:3 VIII it does have to be on the warrant.

The Board worked on the building rental policy

Kim Mattson addressed the Board regarding Taylor Hill Rd; she wanted to know when the grading was going to be completed. She also requested road work signs to be at the intersections of any roads that are being worked on as a convenience to motorists.

Wes made a motion to transfer \$12,599.24 from the Public Safety Radio Communication Equipment Fund to reimburse the Town for the police communication equipment upgrade. Sandra seconded it. Motion carried.

The Board discussed personnel policies regarding compensation/ hours of work

There being no other business to come before the Board, the Board adjourned at 10:00 pm.

Date: 23 August 2010 - Time: 7:00pm

Selectmen's Meeting

Attending: Sandra Gillis, JC Boudreau, Wes Vaughan
Read mail and signed checks.

Signed a building rental permit for the Fire Department for their chicken barbeque being held this Sunday August 29, 2010.

Wes made a motion to sign the Special Town Meeting warrant as presented by the Town Clerk. Sandra seconded it. Motion carried. (See attached)

Annette Tokunaga (clerk) came in to discuss the Safety Inspection results of last Wed. with the Selectmen and the upcoming primary elections on 14 Sept. 2010.

Mark Beauregard (Health Officer) came in to talk to the Selectmen about safety equipment and the cost of it for the Road Agent.

Brian Allen was in to discuss the Cell Tower with the Selectmen and presented them a driveway and building permit. Building permit number 2010-014 will be reviewed this week by the Zoning/ Compliance officer.

Alison VanBrocklin was in to see the Selectmen about acquiring a building permit for a deck/ramp permit for Map/Lot 405-039. Building permit 2010-013 may be approved when Alison returns with setback dimensions.

Mr. & Mrs. Cote addressed the Board regarding issues with the transfer station. They also discussed the easement they are giving to the Town.

Kathy McWhirk addressed the Board with concerns about a culvert at the end of her driveway on M409-L069.

Sandra made a motion to enter non-public session per 91-

A: 3 ll (e) Wes seconded it. Motion carried.

Non-public session was entered at 8:50pm.

Public session was reconvened at 9:30pm

The non-public minutes were sealed.

There being no other business to come before the Board, the Board adjourned at 10:00 pm.

Date: 30 August 2010 Time 7PM

Attending: Sandra Gillis, JC Boudreau, Wes Vaughan

Read mail and signed checks.

Peter Majoy came in and discussed Election setup matters with the Selectmen.

Pete Wilson came in to discuss policies regarding alcohol consumption at Camp Takodah's Dining Hall when certain functions are held there.

Wes will check with the Planning Board.

Richard Leslie, Map/lot 410-053 came in to talk to the Selectmen about his property

taxes. He was given an abatement form and advised to submit it when taxes come out in December.

Kathy McWhirk came in to discuss road conditions and a culvert problem.

Annette Tokunaga came in to talk to the Selectmen about Election issues.

Approved pistol permit R338527.

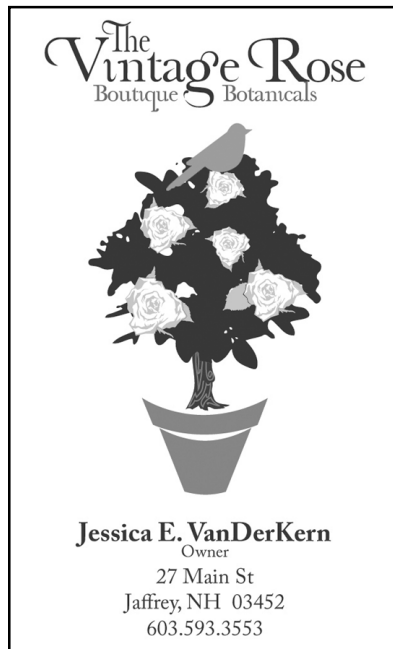
The Board discussed personnel policies. A draft will be prepared for adoption.

The Board discussed the winter maintenance bidding process.

Wes moved, Sandra seconded and the Board voted to renew building permit 2009-014 for one year..

The Selectmen decided to go with the current fuel suppliers for the 2010-2011 season. The Selectmen signed off on the Special Town Meeting Warrant 2010. The warrant has been added as an attachment to the minutes.

There being no other business to come before the Board, the Board adjourned at 10:15 PM.



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- Mon. 7:00 —7:30 p.m. Town Departments
- Mon. 7:30 —? p.m. Public Concerns

Town Secretary: Beverly Hart

- Mon. 6 p.m. —9 p.m.
- Wed. 8 a.m. — 12 noon, 1:00 p.m.- 5p.m.
- Fri. 8 a.m. —12 noon, 1:00 p.m.— 4p.m.

Town Clerk: Annette Tokunaga

Deputy: Pamela Goodell

- Mon. 9 a.m. —Noon, 1 —4 p.m., 6 —8 p.m.
- Wed. 9 a.m. —Noon, 1 —4 p.m.
- Tues. & Thurs. 9 a.m. —Noon

Tax Collector: Steve Boscarino

- Mon. 7 p.m. —8 p.m.
- Wed. 2 p.m. —4 p.m.

Planning Board: Richard Drew, Chairperson
Meetings held at Civil Defense Building

- 1st & 3rd Tues of the Month —7:30 p.m.

Transfer Station & Recycling Facility

- Tues. 8 a.m. —4 p.m.
- Thurs. 8 a.m. —7 p.m.
- Sat. 8 a.m. —5 p.m.

Town Library: Wendy O'Brien, Librarian

- Tues. 4:30 p.m. —8 p.m.
- Wed. 9:00 a.m. —12 p.m.
- Thurs. 4:30 —7 p.m.
- Sat. 10 a.m. —2 p.m.

Fire Warden: Ed Atkins

EMERGENCY: POLICE/FIRE/RESCUE 9-1-1

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