Approved 2/21/06

Cosmas Iocovozzi called the meeting to order at 5:27pm.

Present: Chairman Cosmas Iocovozzi, Selectman Jack O'Reilly, Selectman Jan Stuart, Administrative Assistant Beatrice Marconi, Fire Chief Roy Greenleaf.

## Fire Department Communications Cap Res. Fund WA request for 06

Chief Greenleaf came to the Board to ask for consideration for the funding of the Fire Department Cap. Reserve fund for communications in the amount of \$10,000 for this year's warrant. The total cost for the equipment he wants will be in excess of \$ 16,000. They are portables and two-ways for the trucks and engines and their licences. The ambulance will come down the road and depending on whether the new truck warrant article request passes or not, will determine the number he needs to get. He stated that their ability to function is not contingent on the new tower at Pease.

Selectman Stuart moved to place this request on the 2006 warrant in the amount of \$ 10,000 with the Selectmen recommending. Seconded by Selectman O'Reilly. *Motion passed* on a roll call vote 3-0.

The Board then went into discussions regarding the over all general government budget and decided to remove \$ 3,000 from the Highway Maintenance line and remove \$ 50,000 from the Meeting House Maintenance Line which would bring their operating budget request to 18% when Debt Service is removed as that line was voted in at Town Meeting last year with the passing of Warrant Articles.

Jack spoke of the revenues sheet supplied to him showing the income and told the Board he would bring this to the Budget Committee for Saturday's general budget discussion.

Jan spoke of the lines and light concerns on Shattuck and how she had spoken with Mr. Schmitt of the State DOT – who stated that the plans did not indicate lighting. Regarding the lines, it was a tuff time of year for the line painter but they were meeting with him soon and felt that if the Town did not see fresh lines down in 3 weeks, to call him again.

Regarding the SWAMP project estimates for wetlands work off of Nimble, the project costs were extremely high. For now, it would not be budgeted for, however Cos hoped that something could be done at year's end if the budget would allow.

Jack O'Reilly moved to adjourn. Seconded by Jan Stuart. So moved 3-0

Respectively Submitted,

Beatrice Marconi Administrative Assistant