

Minutes of Non-Public Session on September 6 , 2011

Selectmen

Richard Nichols, Chairman
William Lally, Vice-Chairman
Gerald Znoj
Richard Griffin
Michael Pierce

The public meeting was opened at 6:30 pm in the upstairs conference room. A motion was made by Chairman Nichols and seconded by Vice-Chairman Lally to go into a non-public session under RSA 91-A:3., II (b), for the purpose of continuing discussions related to the Town Manager Welch's contract. A roll call vote was taken with all voting in favor.

After some discussion a motion was made by Selectmen Znoj not to offer a new contract to Town Manager Welch whose current contract runs out in March of 2012. The motion failed for lack of a second.

After much additional discussion a motion was made by Vice-Chairman Lally and seconded by Selectmen Griffin to offer Mr. Welch a one-year contract running from March of 2012 through March of 2013. The motion failed 2-2-1 with Lally and Griffin voting in favor, Znoj and Pierce opposed and Nichols abstaining. Chairman Nichols indicated that he was abstaining due to the fact that he would consider applying for the Town Manager position should it become open.

The process for selecting a Town Manager was briefly discussed. It was agreed that a search for qualified candidates should begin later in the year. There was a consensus that Mr. Welch should be encouraged to apply. A motion was made by Vice-Chairman Lally and seconded by Selectmen Griffin to defer the actual decision on the selection of a Town Manager until after the March town elections. The vote was unanimous in favor.

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard E. Nichols, Chairman
For the Board