## BOARD OF SELECTMEN Working Session Minutes of August 20, 2015

Chairman Powers called the meeting to order at 4:45PM. Board members present in addition to Chairman Laura Powers, were Selectmen Martha Morrison, Boyd Jackson, Steve Lais and Eldon Goodhue. Of the Selectmen's staff, Town Administrator Kellie Hebert and Board Secretary Donna Rich were in attendance.

**DiBenedetto Property:** Selectman Morrison made a motion to instruct Kopelman & Paige PC to send the letter regarding Notice of Intent to Convey Land-120 Hill Street to the seller's attorney Jill Elmstrom Mann, Esq of Mann & Mann, P.C. with the correct spelling of the current owner's name, DiBenedetto, seconded by Selectman Goodhue; so voted: 5-0. Selectman Morrison explained the process that is being followed and clarified what the letter would be expressing from a Planning Board perspective.

**Rail Trail:** Selectman Goodhue made a motion to approve a \$9,040 expenditure for emergency repairs to the southwest abutment of the Ipswich River Bridge from funds available from the FY13 Topsfield Linear Common Grant, seconded by Selectman Morrison; so voted: 5-0.

**Appointed Town Clerk Special Act S. 1949:** Selectman Morrison made a motion to approve the technical language changes to Section 2 of Senate 1949 as proposed by the legislative committee for the Topsfield Special Act for Appointment of the Town Clerk, seconded by Selectman Goodhue; so voted: 5-0.

At 5:16PM, Selectmen Goodhue made a motion to adjourn and Selectman Morrison seconded the motion; so voted: 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Rich, Secretary Selectmen's Office

Per the Open Meeting Law, the documents that were either distributed to the BOS before the meeting in a packet, or at the meeting were:

- 1. Agenda
- 2. Draft copy of letter from Kopelman & Paige PC
- 3. Request for repairs to be done to the Ipswich River Bridge
- 4. Suggested language change from Mr. Speliotis of Danvers for Senate bill # 1949, Appointed Town Clerk.

Approved as written at the September 14, 2015 Board of Selectmen's meeting.

Pursuant to the 'Open Meeting Law,' G.L. 39, § 23B, the approval of these minutes by the Board constitutes a certification of the date, time and place of the meeting, the members present and absent, and the actions taken at the meeting. Any other description of statements made by any person, or the summary of the discussion of any matter, is included for the purpose of context only, and no certification, express or implied, is made by the Board as to the completeness or accuracy of such statements.