

**Town of West Brookfield-Board of Selectmen**  
**Minutes of Meeting-Regular Session – February 25, 2008**

LOCATION: Town Hall - Lower Level Conference Room TIME: 4:00PM

PRESENT: John Tivnan, Barry Nadon, Jr., Tom Long, Johanna Barry, Executive Secretary, Andy Ray NEPBA and Charlie LaPerle – Union Steward.

**Call To Order: 4:00PM** - The meeting was called to order by John at 4:00pm.

The Board negotiated with the NEPBA on open issues within the patrolmen's contract. Tentative agreements were reached on all area's of the patrolmen's contract. The Selectmen will install the tentative agreements into the Contract and provide a copy to the NEPBA for their review and execution. The Selectmen agreed to create a proposed pay scale for use in the Sergeants Contract.

Johanna noted that she had received a call from Mrs. Kereshi inquiring about the status of her curb cut refund. Johanna explained to Mrs. Kereshi that the Board had determined that a fee should be paid either by the contractor or as a deduction from the curb cut refund to cover the trucking of the gravel used during the repairs; as previously discussed by the Board. Mrs. Kereshi stated that she had no problem with the amount being deducted from the curb cut. Johanna told Mrs. Kereshi that the Superintendent had expressed a value of \$50 for the trucking. Barry stated that he did not agree with the Superintendent's value and thought that the value should be much higher. Initially Barry stated that the Board should charge the Superintendent's rate of pay, as he did the trucking of the material. Barry then stated that the Town should charge for use of the truck and loader. Barry affirmed that the "going cost" for a man and truck was \$75 per hour, and that he felt Jason took approximately two (2) hours to haul the material – not including the use of the loader. Barry noted that he had expressed an interest in revisiting this subject at a previous Selectmen's meeting. The Board agreed to re-visit the issue at a future Selectmen's meeting with the Superintendent.

The Selectmen performed a walk through with Officer LaPerle of the beige house (Gittes) on Church Street and looked into the back door of the house (Gittes) on the corner of Church/New Braintree Road. The Board did not enter the second house. Barry stated that he had a possible interested party to remove the contents of both homes. The Board agreed to allow Barry to perform a walk though both houses with the individual; and to report back to the Board.

The Board adjourned at approximately 6:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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Chairman

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Vice Chairman

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Clerk