Minutes will not become official until accepted at the next Regular Selectmen's Meeting October 20, 2003.

<u>Members present:</u> Ronald Grant – Chairman, Maurice Levasseur, Timothy Doyle, Stephen Eldridge – Town Manager, and Sally Ann Hebert – Recording Secretary.

Members absent: Kevin Mower, Mark Christman, absent due to illness.

Others present: Pat Rose, Barbara Bubier, and John Plestina, reporter from Lewiston Sun Journal.

I. Call to Order 7:00 PM

Ron Grant called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM; due for a quorum of Board Members to attend.

II. Public Discussion

Brenda Theriault announced that the Greene Volunteer Fire Department Auxiliary has received the birthday calendars they took orders for. Contact her to pick them up and there are still some left if anyone would like to purchase.

III. Acceptance of Minutes – September 22, 2003

Minutes are not done due to shortage of staff in office.

IV. Unfinished Business

a. Treasurer's Report

Steve reported that the balance as of October 6th is \$1,672,516.00. There is a separate 3rd quarter report for the Board. There was one error found of money taken out of road maintenance instead of road construction. Excise tax collection is 10% over last year's collection to date. Revenue Sharing took a terrible drop to under \$4,000 this month. Ron Grant expressed concern that there is only 5% left in equipment repairs.

Steve reported that the budget committee met but did not have a quorum and those present discussed the Town office Space Assessment.

b. Roads

Steve reported that the culvert work is finished; guardrails will be installed next week. The Highway Dept is finishing up on the edging of the roads that were paved. The Game Warden is being contacted to look at the beaver problem in the new culverts on College Road. Webster Tree Service is going to take down trees on College Road. There is a slight disagreement with Commercial Paving and the town regarding the thickness of pavement laid. Tom Gibson the owner will be assessing the situation.

c. Fire Station Construction

The Fire Station is substantially complete. The Engineers and Steve and Bruce have each done their punch list. Minor things need to be done. A letter will be sent regarding some of the plantings at the Station as it is too late at this time to plant and it will be done in the spring (a letter is to be written guaranteeing this to be done). The trucks have been moved into the bays this past weekend. The final payment was made; of which 2% was held back \$71,608.93 until the job is completely finished. The Board will do a walk thru on October 20th at 6:00 PM. Steve and Bruce are to okay the finalization. The guardrails at the fire station will be installed around the pond. The telephone poles are being moved. The fuel tank s are in place and the firemen will be building a cover to match the new fire station.

d. Town Office Space Assessment

The Budget Committee discussed the Town Office Space Assessment. They feel that double the space will not be enough. Talk about putting \$1,500 - \$2,000 for design in the 2004 budget.

e. Other

The Board inquired if Turner has set a date for the next Tri-Town Meeting and if they have contacted the representatives.

Steve and Jim from Turner have talked a little about joint purchasing with MSAD 52.

Tremblay Motors Building has not been sold. The CEO has sent a letter to the owner regarding the dangerous condition of the building.

V. New Business

a. Greene Volunteer Fire Dept. Benevolent Fund

Tim Doyle motioned to accept the Greene Volunteer Fire Department Benevolent Fund policy as written. Maurice Levasseur 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

The Board discussed that that this is to be handled like the Thompson Fund; no funds will be expended until Board of Selectmen signed off.

b. State Municipal Valuation Return

Tim Doyle motioned to sign the Municipal Valuation Return. Maurice Levasseur 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

c. Adelphia Franchise

Steve reported that there is a meeting scheduled October 15th with the attorney, representatives from the four communities. Adelphia would like to see the towns use the Naples Ordinance and contract. Copies have gone to everyone. Rate increase will also be discussed at this time.

d. Legal

There was nothing discussed at this meeting.

e. Other

There was nothing discussed at this meeting.

VI. Committee Reports

There was nothing discussed at this meeting.

VII. CEO Report

There was none reported at this meeting.

VIII. Assessment Questions & Abatements

Maurice Levasseur motion to abate the following tax accounts for trio conversion errors:

11 186.66 #356 161.04

#353 664.29 #637 322.08

#685 501.42 Tim Doyle 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Tim Doyle motioned to abate tax account # 1189 for \$777.75 Trio conversion error. Maurice Levasseur 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

The Board unanimously agreed to wait before abating personal property account # 164 until Steve gets to talk to Rob some more on this account.

Time Doyle motioned to abate account # 491 for \$799.71. Maurice Levasseur 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

IX. Announcements

Ron Grant read the announcements aloud.

Ron announced that Make a Difference Day is October 24th.

X. Selectmen Acceptance & Signing of Weekly Warrant

Tim Doyle motioned to sign the Julia Adams Morse Warrant of \$ 579.14. Maurice Levasseur 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Tim Doyle motioned to sign the Fire Department Building Warrant of \$83,104.28. Maurice Levasseur 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Tim Doyle motioned to sign the Fire Department Benevolent Fund Warrant of \$ 475.00. Maurice Levasseur 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Tim Doyle motioned to sign the Town of Greene Warrant of \$25,094.42. Maurice Levasseur 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

XI. Executive Session

Timothy Doyle motioned to go into Executive Session to discuss poverty abatement # 2003-01; the Board will not be making any decision, and not going back into regular session. Maurice Levasseur 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

XII. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned to Executive Session at 7:57 PM until PM. The Board adjourned at PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Sally Ann Hebert

Recording Secretary

Approved and accepted,

Ronald Grant, Chairman

Board of Selectmen