Present from Board:

Chairman Robert Brown, Selectman Dawson, Selectman Manseau, and Selectman O'Leary. Selectman Foye was not present.

Also present:

Town Administrator Alice MacKinnon and secretary Catherine A. Woessner.

Chairman called the meeting to order at 6:00PM.

Med Sattler from the Sewer Commission joined the meeting to discuss the recent developments regarding the proposed sewer line on West Main Street. Mr. Sattler informed the Board that he met with Ken Partridge and discussed a price for putting in either a two-inch or four inch line. Mr. Partridge does not feel this job is a good idea for the future. If a two-inch line with a pump were to be put in this would just serve the Town Garage and nothing else. Mr. Partridge said the only problem he would have with the four-inch line is there would be only one customer on it and a four-inch line would hold a lot of water. It could not be put in shallow, it would have to be put down five feet so it would not freeze. Med said people would be able to tie into the forced main line. Med informed the Board that they put a vote out for the nine property owners and five voted no, four voted yes. Med said the idea is to bill them and then write letters to the people that agreed that they can hookup now as they will be paid and they will never see any increase. Letters would be sent to the remaining people that voted no, informing them that when they do want to hookup the Sewer Commissioners will have to
look at the cost and spread the cost over to them. Attorney Chandler said if they voted no you cannot do this. He will check further into this on Monday and get back to Med. Chairman asked Med if he recommends waiting until he researches the legal aspect. Med said they would wait until Attorney Chandler makes a decision and then he will get back to the Board.

Mr. Suter joined the meeting. He submitted a report of his well to the Board from Mr. James H. Vernon of ENSR International. Chairman asked Mr. Suter to give a brief summary of what the report contains. Mr. Suter said what Mr. Vernon saw right off is that the road is next to the well and is tilted on an angle now and all the run-off is going to pollute the well. He said Mr. Vernon checked the well and it only had a foot of water in it. Mr. Suter said he checked the well before coming here this evening and the well had 15 inches of water in it. Mr. Suter said whatever is taking place; the water is finding another course to get out. Chairman asked if there were any testing or borings to determine what is going on in the subsurface. Mr. Suter said all he did was check the well. Mr. Suter said Mr. Vernon said there was a 36ft. setback, and now there is only 9ft. Mr. Suter said things have been steadily getting worse and are now relying on neighbors for water. The Board took a few minutes to read the report. Chairman Brown said they would pursue this as quickly as they can and hopefully have an answer at least by next week.

Engineer Paul Darbyshire joined the meeting. Chairman Brown explained that Mr. Darbyshire has been researching the boundaries and setbacks on Academy Street.

Academy Rd., report:

Mr. Darbyshire gave the Selectmen copies of maps of Academy Street. Mr. Darbyshire said he did a survey of that block between Main St., Prospect, and Academy. Mr. Darbyshire said from what he can determine it looks like the brook and retaining wall was built when the Mills owned all the property. He said he traced back the owners that abutted the other side of Academy Street and there is no evidence of an easement or maintenance agreement of the brook running through there. Chairman asked Mr. Darbyshire if what he is saying is that it is the property owner’s responsibility to repair the walls. Mr. Darbyshire said out near the road there is a portion of it that is within the roadway,
the right of way. Mr. Darbyshire will send the Board a copy of a full-scale map.

Regarding Academy Street, Chairman Brown will have Public Works Director Dennis Allen plot the area in question. Chairman said the blowout was probably five feet in diameter in the wall and three 1/2 or four feet underneath the asphalt.

Range Rd., report:

Mr. Darbyshire showed the Board an old map of Rev. M. T. Runnels History of Sanbornton to show Range Road. He went over the map with the Board and concluded that Range Road goes straight across School Street. Mr. Darbyshire said according to the 1882 map it says the road is discontinued, but you cannot go by this you need to have documentation. Mr. Darbyshire went over the roads on the old maps with the Selectmen. In discussing the stone walls, Mr. Darbyshire said he thinks there could be a Right of Way through there. Mr. Darabyshire said the question is, is it a Town Road or not. He is not positive of this and would like to do more research in the old Sanbornton records from 1813 forward. Mr. Darbyshire said he would report back to the Selectmen as soon as he has more information.

Chairman Brown introduced Mr. Omer Ahern, Jr., candidate for State Representative, District #29 to the Board. Mr. Ahern stated that he is a Republican candidate for the State Representative from the new district #29 which is Tilton, Sanbornton, Center Harbor and New Hampton. He said the reason he is here this evening is because he is concerned about the issues that have been prompted due to the re-districting. Mr. Ahern said he would like to attend the Selectmen’s meetings so he can be of service and be able to communicate with the Board.

Steve Colby, sitting in the audience asked the Board when Range Road was going to be surveyed. Chairman explained that the surveyor, Mr. Darbyshire was here this evening and is still researching the old records regarding Range Road. Chairman said it is still inconclusive. They do know that Range Road did go through School Street a few rods at one time, but do not know if it was discontinued and if it was, when.
Chairman asked the Board if they read the minutes of October 17th, 2002. Selectman O'Leary made a motion to accept the minutes as written, seconded by Selectman Manseau. All were in favor.

**Announcements:**

Chairman Brown informed the Board that the Tilton School will be doing a commercial at next week’s Selectmen’s meeting at 6:15PM. They will inform the viewing audience of the Halloween festivities that will be taking place on Main Street and at the Tilton School.

Review of correspondence:

Chairman asked if any of the Board members would be attending the Household Waste Collection funding review meeting sponsored by LRPC on Monday evening. Selectman Dawson and Chairman Brown will be attending.

A letter from Town of Wolfeboro inviting the Board to attend the opening of their Hazardous Waste Facility that was just completed. The date is Friday October 25th, at 3:30PM. This is also open to the public.

Chairman informed the Board that he spoke to Dennis today regarding his recent activities. Dennis met with Mr. Chamberlain from D.O.T. and selected an appropriate spot for the “Welcome to Tilton” sign on the Sanbornton-Tilton town line. Mr. Chamberlain will check with Mark Morell from District 3 to see if they can utilize the right of way, which is 25 feet from the centerline of the road. The location ends up on a mound right next to the entrance of Katie Flo’s restaurant. If Mr. Morell approves the use of their right of way for this he will let Dennis know and the sign should go up very soon.

Chairman reported that Dennis is getting prices on a snow blower for the Lochmere sidewalks. He will be interviewing the last two of the candidates for the Public Works position. This will include road tests and Dennis will make a determination after this.

Dennis will be putting a coat of asphalt on Hill Road next week.
and this will complete the paving.

Chairman Brown discussed a vendor’s license for Fire & Ice located at the Texaco Station in Lochmere area of town. The vendor’s license was for the summer months of 2002 and he is still there. Chairman would like to have Chief Chase go to the site and have the trailer’s moved off the site. Chair asked the Board for a motion not to have Chief Chase extend any additional extensions. Selectman Manseau asked if it was requested to have the permit renewed. The Board discussed how according to the current Vendor Ordinance these permits should come before the Board of Selectmen as well as the Police Dept. Alice explained that several years ago it was passed on to the Chief. The Board discussed this and would like the vendor licenses to come back to the Selectmen. They agree the Chief can review the licenses and then it will go before the Board of Selectmen for final approval. The Board will inform the Chief of this.

Chairman asked Alice if she had the thank you letter to Alan Demko. Alice said it is written and will be sent out tomorrow.

Chairman said they would make a decision regarding the plowing of the sidewalks in Lochmere at next week’s meeting. Chair said Dennis would have the prices on the snow blower.

Chairman discussed the report from the Reclassification Committee for the Silver Lake, River Road, and Church Street. Chair noted it appears that they still have more work to do. The committee is recommending that they try to convince D.O.T., that Silver Lake Road is used heavily as access to Belmont and, therefore, justified as leaving it as a Class II Road and possibly use the other three small rural roads as a way to do that and go ahead and reclassify them as Class V. Selectman Dawson stated that they do not want the maintenance or repair of either of the bridges. The Board further discussed the town taking care of the roads and the State taking care of the Bridges. Alice suggested having Mark Morell and Gary Clifford from D.O.T. meet with the Board of Selectmen to see if they can work out a compromise and take that compromise to Town Meeting.

Alice informed the Board that Mike Wimsatt from D.E.S. would attend next week’s meeting.
Selectman O'Leary informed the Board that the Budget Committee met last night and have two new members. They voted in David Wadleigh and Bob Szot. David is also the Chairman of the Budget Committee. Selectman O'Leary said there are now six members.

Selectman O'Leary informed the Board that he was asked if anyone in the highway dept. is certified to run the recycling program. He was told there is not and would like to have this checked into. Alice will discuss this with Public Works Director, Dennis Allen.

Selectman Manseau asked if the no salt-zoned roads have been posted. Chair said Dennis is working on the signs and the roads are not salted. Selectman Manseau reported that he talked to Lt. Chapman regarding Mr. Suter’s concerns of speeding on Noyes Road. Lt Chapman said they would drive through as much as they can. The other issue of concern is at the Main and Park Street intersection. Cars turning right on Main into Park Street are using the parking zone as a travel lane. The Board discussed this and agreed this needs enforcement. Selectman Manseau will talk to Chief Chase regarding this. He also asked if there is any progress for snow storage. Alice said they are still looking into it.

Selectman Dawson asked if Dennis plows the sidewalks in Winnisquam on Rte., 3 and would he consider using a snow blower for this area. She asked if Dennis is considering different types of machines for multiple uses. Chair said the rider snow blower is too wide for the Lochmere sidewalks. Dennis is looking at a 32-inch and a 38-inch walk behind.

Selectman O'Leary asked if the Winter Street clean up has been completed. Chairman said he recently checked it and does not like the way the south side of the house looks and will talk to Code Enforcer Joe Plessner about it.

Alice presented the Warrant for the general election in November for the Board to sign. She informed them the voting would be at the Tilton School Gymnasium from 8:00AM to 7:00PM. Alice also presented two appointments for Part Time Police Officers for the Board to sign.
Alice reported that the Sons of the civil war group have contacted her. They have made arrangements with a gentleman in Franklin, and Frank Cord who is a blacksmith in Northfield to look at the Civil War Statue on Saturday at 10:00AM. They asked to have a representative from the Town or if that were not possible, would it be all right to have Mr. Cord get the rifle from Town Hall to see if they can put the rifle back in place on the statue. The Board discussed this and Selectman Manseau offered to represent the town and will take the rifle with him.

Alice reported that the Christmas tree at the Pocket Park should be replaced within a week. Gayle has made arrangements with a firm for the Christmas tree behind the bank to remove the vines and old lights and clean it up for new lights this year. The Tilton School kids will clean up around the tree.

Selectman Manseau mentioned that the Youth Opportunities Group is going to present a written proposal for the Skateboard park to the Recreation Council.

Ron Rau sitting in the audience asked the Board if they ever agreed on the weight of trucks traveling on Town Roads. The Board discussed getting together with Dennis to walk the roads. They would like to walk and inspect them sometime in November and will probably take two days to do this. Chair will discuss this with Dennis.

Chairman adjourned the meeting at 8:19PM.