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2 3	TOWN OF PELHAM BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING			
4		MINUTES		
5		May 26, 2015		
6 7		APPROVED – June 9, 2015		
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9 10	CALL TO ORDER - approximately 6:30PM			
10	PRESENT:	Mr. Hal Lynde, Mr. William McDevitt, Mr. Doug Viger, Mr. Paul Leonard, Town Administrator Brian McCarthy		
	ABSENT:	None.		
11 12 13	PLEDGE O	F ALLEGIANCE		
14 15 16	5 MINUTES REVIEW			
17 18	<u>May 12, 201</u>	<u>5</u>		
10	MOTION:	(McDevitt/Viger) To approve the May 12, 2015 meeting minutes as amended.		
	VOTE:	(3-0-1) The motion carried. Mr. Leonard abstained. He was not present for the meeting being reviewed.		
19 20 21	ANNOUNC	EMENTS		
22		ual Council on Aging Strawberry Festival, Saturday, June 13, 2015 from		
23 24 25	<ul> <li>10am until 2pm</li> <li>➢ Pelham Fire Department/CERT/MRC Preparedness EXPO June 27, 2015 from 10am until 3pm</li> </ul>			
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27	OPEN FOR	<u>UM</u>		
28 29	No one came	forward.		
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31 32	<u>APPOINTM</u>	<u>IENTS</u>		
33		ames Midgley:		
34 35		oduction of New Employee: Deputy Fire Chief Paul Leischner star Agreement		
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37		mes Midgley introduced the Fire Department's new Deputy Fire Chief Paul Leischner		
38 39	who He explained that the department had consolidated the lost management positions that occurred through attrition; rather than filling the positions, the decision was made to pool the money and hire a			
40		art-time Deputy Chief with fixed hours. Having the position will be a great value to the		

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41 Town. He stated Deputy Chief Leischner came to Pelham with over thirty years of experience in fire service. To begin, he's been tasked with reviewing the EMS division and cost structuring of 42 ambulance fees to determine areas for cost savings. Deputy Chief Leischner spoke to the Board 43 regarding his first days on the job, during which he started to become acquainted with Pelham Fire 44 and was impressed with the abilities and commitment of the members of the department. He told the 45 Board he reviewed the Comstar billing agreement and found the rate to be high (at 7%). After 46 speaking with them he was able to have Comstar drop the rate (to 5%) for a cost saving of 47 approximately \$5,000 per year. The rate is based on what money is recovered; the higher the 48 recovery, the higher the savings. Chief Midgley added they were reviewing/evaluating their 49 50 contracts and fixed rates with insurance companies.

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At this time, Chief Midgley was seeking approval to reinstitute the new rate with Comstar and enter into an agreement for such effective June 1<sup>st</sup>. Mr. Lynde noted the Selectmen received a copy of the proposed agreement.

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- **MOTION:** (Viger/McDevitt) To authorize Town Administrator Brian McCarthy to sign the Comstar agreement with the detail provided by Chief Midgley and Deputy Chief Leischner.
- **VOTE:** (4-0-0) The motion carried.
- 56 The Selectmen welcomed Deputy Chief Leischner to the Town.
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## 58 **PUBLIC HEARING**

59The Pelham Board of Selectmen held a Public Hearing on Tuesday, May 26, 2015 at 6:45PM to60accept the following donation: the Labor & Materials for a remodel of Raymond Park Lodge

to Parks & Recreation with a value of approximately \$19,550 by Mr. Stephen Brussard
 General Contractors, Inc.

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Mr. Lynde opened the public hearing. He read aloud a listing of what the donation entailed. Mr. McCarthy spoke of how the winter took a toll on the lodge at Raymond Park, which was in dire condition. He stated Mr. Brussard, who was a great supporter of the Boy Scouts and Parks & Recreation programs, stepped up and offered to make renovations so the building would be brought back on line and be a functional facility. He also spoke about another donation Mr. Brussard made and applauded him for his contribution to the Town.

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71 Mr. Lynde opened the hearing to public input. No one came forward.

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73 Mr. Lynde believed when the Selectmen established the gift/donation acceptance policy it indicated 74 they were supposed to delay a week before taking action; or they could waive that stipulation. 75 Because of this, he questioned if a motion could be made to accept the donation, or if they should 76 delay making a motion until the next meeting. Mr. McCarthy was aware of the Board's past practice 77 of voting to accept donations; he wasn't able to find any stipulation for delaying. Mr. McDevitt believed when the Board was meeting every week it made sense to wait a week; however, with the 78 79 Board meeting every two weeks, waiting would slow the process down. He was in favor of making a 80 motion to accept the proposed donation. Mr. Lynde said the question was if a stipulation presently 81 existed that would need to be waived.

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Mr. Lynde accepted a motion to waive delaying action so the Selectmen could vote regarding the donation. Mr. Viger made the following motion. **MOTION:** (Viger/Leonard) To accept the donation by Mr. Stephen Brussard of Brussard General Contractors in the amount of \$19,550 in the labor and material for the remodel of the Raymond Park Lodge in the Parks & Recreation area.

**VOTE:** (4-0-0) The motion carried.

## 86 The Selectmen thanked Mr. Brussard for his generous gift

### 87 APPOINTMENTS CONTINUED

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# 89 <u>Ron Meltzer, Commander of Pelham American Legion Post 100</u> 90 - Request for permanent display in Town Hall – "The Mis

# - Request for permanent display in Town Hall – "The Missing Soldier's Table, Reserved for Their Return"

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93 Mr. Meltzer came forward to request consideration of setting up a Missing Soldier's display – 94 Prisoner of War / Missing In Action. He explained the table set up and told the Board that similar 95 displays were located in veteran's organizations around the area and were now rapidly showing up in 96 various other locations. Mr. Meltzer felt having a permanent display (of approximately 3SF 97 including a plaque and table with setting) would provide great awareness and be an asset to the 98 Town. The Board was provided with photographs of how the set up would appear. The American 99 Legion would maintain the set up.

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Mr. McDevitt was open to the idea, but concerned they couldn't guarantee the safety/security of
 having a set up since the Town Hall has a lot of activity both during business hours and after hours.
 Mr. Meltzer understood the concern and reiterated that the veteran organizations would maintain the
 table.

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There was a brief discussion regarding where a setup could be located within Town Hall. The Board recessed to review the lobby and hallway area and determine a location. Upon return, Mr. Lynde stated they had come to a resolution and would allow use of the wall outside the Selectmen's Office for permanent placement of the plaque. A table will also be allowed in that location, with the understanding it may need to be moved on occasion during events within Town Hall; the veteran organizations will take care of the table being moved and maintained when necessary. Mr. Meltzer with work with Mr. McCarthy to create a template for final review/approval by the Selectmen.

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- **MOTION:** (Viger/McDevitt) To authorize a permanent display in Town Hall "The Missing Soldier's Table, Reserved for Their Return", and wall plaque as described. Town Administrator McCarthy is authorized to make the final decision regarding the table placement.

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# Police Captain Stephen Toom and Lieutenant Anne Perriello - Discussion regarding Civilian Prosecutor Position

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118 Captain Toom explained Dennis Mannion was retiring at the end of May after a lengthy career with 119 the Pelham Police Department. As a result, the department reviewed ways to fill the position that 120 would benefit the Town, the department and the tax payers. After speaking with other agencies 121 throughout Southern New Hampshire they determined Police Officers serving as prosecutors were 122 becoming a thing of the past. Most, if not all area towns currently employ a civilian attorney as their 123 prosecutor due to increased caseloads and the complexity of criminal cases in court. A civilian

**VOTE:** (4-0-0) The motion carried.

124 attorney would also benefit the Town, as the Town would have a bar certified attorney on staff for 125 any legal questions that would arise during the normal day. Captain Toom stated if they hired a 126 civilian attorney, it would be an appointed position, not in the union or in the Police retirement 127 system.

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The Selectmen were provided with a price breakdown comparison of a sworn police prosecutor versus a salary civilian prosecutor; which showed a savings in the Police budget of \$1,954 with a civilian attorney. Captain Toom noted that the road coverage wouldn't be affected, as Officer Mannion currently has a 40 hour per week job, spending his time either at court or in office preparing cases; however, the department would go from 21 full time officers to 20 officers with an added civilian.

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Mr. Viger asked for clarification if the civilian prosecutor would be a part time or full time position. 136 Captain Toom replied it would be a full time non-union position. Mr. Viger questioned if the union 137 position could be held for a year for possible future use. Mr. Lynde believed it could be since the 138 department had a contingent of 21 Police Officers. Mr. McDevitt thought it was a good question, but 139 from the Budget Committee perspective, it would be adding a position, which isn't done without 140 going to the voters. He felt the Chief should draft a proposal during budget review for how the 141 142 position would be handled; either keep the position or have an extra position by following the 143 process bringing it to the voters.

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Mr. Lynde understood that the Selectmen were being asked to allow the creation of a civilian prosecutor position and to pay for it (without increasing the budget) by not replacing a retiring police officer at this time. The Selectmen reviewed the setup of the job description and suggested an adjustment to smooth the flow of how it read.

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150 Mr. Viger commented that having a civilian prosecutor wouldn't necessarily 'add' a position, but 151 rather it would restructure the department. This was done when the department restructured for the 152 current Captain and Lieutenant position.

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Mr. McDevitt read the description language that specified the Town would benefit by having a bar certified attorney on staff to help assist with simple legal questions that may come up during normal Town business. He suggested including this in the specific duties. Mr. Lynde believed it should also include the caveat 'if time permits'. Captain Toom had no objection. Under qualifications, Mr. McDevitt saw 'certified police officer' and questioned if that would still pertain. Mr. McCarthy explained at the time the policy was written it was structured for the present day operation.

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Mr. McDevitt saw a \$2,000 cleaning and clothing allowance and questioned if the person would be
wearing a police or other uniform. Captain Toom replied they would wear a professional suit. Mr.
McDevitt felt the allowance was unnecessary, except for those required to wear a uniform.

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165 Mr. McDevitt understood there was candidate in mind and questioned if the position would be 166 posted. Captain Toom replied the position had already been posted.

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Lieutenant Perriello called attention to the salary comparison of comparable towns. She believed the Chief was trying to make the position as enticing as possible to have a civilian prosecutor come to Pelham. She pointed out that the \$2,000 wouldn't be figured into any future salary increase. Captain Toom believed the amount was the going rate, given the person would be required to wear a suit. Mr. McDevitt was hung up including a clothing allowance for civilian employees wearing standard business attire. 174

Knowing the Chief may be in negotiations, the Selectmen discussed how they would proceed. The 175 base salary including the clothing allowance would be \$77,000; taking the clothing allowance out 176 would reduce the base salary to \$75,000, which was still in the competitive range with comparable 177 178 towns. Mr. McDevitt suggested a motion to authorize the Chief to pay a base salary of \$77,000. Mr. 179 Viger noted that the figure included the clothing allowance and future salary increases would be based on that number. He suggested making the figure \$75,000; if the Chief decides to pay a 180 181 clothing allowance, it can be taken from the budget. Retirement is a separate figure. Mr. McDevitt 182 agreed.

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- (McDevitt/Viger) To give the Police Chief the authorization to hire a Civilian **MOTION:** Prosecutor as described at a base pay of \$75,000, to include, as one of their specific duties, to assist the Selectmen's office with any simple legal questions that may come up during the normal course of business, as time permits.

**VOTE:** (4-0-0) The motion carried.

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Mr. Lynde summarized the discussion that the Selectmen agreed with the base salary, and if the 185 186 Chief feels he needs to 'sweeten the pot' it will be up to him how to do so. The Selectmen welcome 187 any future discussion. Mr. Viger believed the position would have its own individual contract, which could include other items, such as a clothing allowance. The Selectmen's motion was only for base 188 189 pay.

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191 Mr. Lynde questioned if the Selectmen needed to vote regarding the restructuring of the department. 192 The Selectmen didn't feel a vote was needed. Mr. Lynde made clear that the Board had agreed to hire a Civilian Prosecutor with the proviso that they be available if possible to help the Town in legal 193 matters, and offered a base pay of \$75,000. Mr. McDevitt added that stating the base pay did not 194 exclude the Police Chief from venturing elsewhere. Everyone understood the figure didn't include 195 required State Pension contribution. 196

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### 198 **OTHER BUSINESS**

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Highway 2015 Paving and Crack Sealing Bid Award Recommendations 201

Mr. Lynde reviewed the paving and crack sealing bid award recommendations made by Highway 202 203 Road Agent Don Foss. Mr. Viger made a motion to award the bids as advised by Don Foss, Highway 204 Department.

- **MOTION:** (Viger/Leonard) To award the highway paving bid, to include paving tack coat and Cape Cod Bern to Continental Paving of Londonderry New Hampshire.
- **VOTE:** (4-0-0) The motion carried.

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- **MOTION:** (Viger/McDevitt) To award the highway crack sealing bid to Superior Seal Coat Incorporated of Wilmington Massachusetts.
- **VOTE:** (4-0-0) The motion carried.

208 **Auctioneer RFP Approval** 

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Mr. McCarthy told the Board they essentially contracted with Municipal Resources Incorporated
('MRI') who were in a position to generate the draft RFP document based on their past practice.
Town Counsel reviewed the document and felt it had been worded properly and work in the interest

of the Town to select an appropriate auctioneer firm to sell the properties approved for sale at TownMeeting.

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Mr. McDevitt wanted to know if the property titles had been researched and were clear. Mr. McCarthy will meet with the Town Clerk to find out if the titles were researched, depending upon the answer and if necessary, he will speak with Town Counsel for an opinion. Mr. Lynde recalled signing an invoice for someone to do a title search on the properties to be auctioned. Mr. McCarthy replied he would research the Board's question.

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Mr. Leonard suggested speaking with the prospective auctioneers to learn what things the Town should be aware of during the process. Mr. McCarthy envisioned an interview process for the auctioneers. Mr. McDevitt replied the auctioneer should have credentials; most were frequently listed in the newspaper ads under current auctions. He didn't feel an interview would be necessary.

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227 Mr. Lynde told the Board a motion was needed to approve the RFP.

**MOTION:** (McDevitt/Viger) To approve the Auctioneer RFP.

**VOTE:** (4-0-0) The motion carried.

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Mr. Lynde asked Mr. McDevitt to coordinate with Mr. McCarthy during the process. Mr. McDevittreplied he'd be happy to.

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# 233 New Lease Authorization for Police Cruisers, Dispatch Console, Highway Plow Truck

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Mr. Lynde indicated that the Selectmen need to consider giving authorization to enter a combined
 lease and authorize who would sign the acceptance and payment request forms.

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Mr. Viger questioned if a motion was needed for each. Mr. McCarthy replied there was one lease 238 239 agreement. Mr. Lynde stated a motion was needed to authorize entering a combined lease for the 240 Police Cruisers, Dispatch Console and Highway Plow Truck with Municipal Leasing Credit Corporation. Mr. Viger noted they would give Town Administrator McCarthy authority to enter into 241 242 the agreement. Mr. McCarthy commented the Board of Selectmen Chairman typically signs the documents; if they were to authorize the Chairman and/or Town Administrator (by title) it would 243 244 create efficiency to have documents signed. Mr. Lynde stated the items were all approved at Town 245 Meeting (and within the budget) to enter lease agreements. The action item for the Board was to

authorize entering into the lease agreements.

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- **MOTION:** (McDevitt/Viger) To authorize entering into a lease agreement with Municipal Leasing Credit Corporation for Police Cruisers, Dispatch Console and Highway Plow Truck (as approved at Town Meeting) and to authorize the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen and/or Town Administrator to sign the lease on behalf of the Town.
- **VOTE:** (4-0-0) The motion carried.

# 248 Highway Department Restructuring Proposal

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Mr. Lynde explained the Board was being asked to appoint Stan Walczak (current Transfer Station Director) to oversee the Highway Department and Transfer Station for a trial period of up to six months. In that time period Mr. Walczak will report if that type of structure worked well and made sense. A decision would then be made if a permanent change would be made to those departments. Mr. Lynde summarized a document provided by Mr. Walczak that outlined his thoughts regarding the departments and a proposed structure.

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Mr. Lynde asked the Board if it was acceptable to proceed with a trial period. Mr. Viger had no problem moving forward. He questioned how the administrative assistant position would be structured. Mr. McCarthy replied the departments would have a new set up with projected goals; some things may need adjusting to determine if the structure would work. He believed the administrative assistant position was included as a possible scenario after the trial period.

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Mr. Leonard had concerns with the proposal, which he felt had a lot of 'unknowns' given that the 263 264 budget and road maintenance seasons were about to begin. He believed more thought and detail should be given to the proposed structure. Mr. Lynde felt it would be possible to proceed with Mr. 265 Walczak in the lead; there were two capable people under him, one at the Transfer Station and one at 266 267 the Highway Department. He said they would need to come up with a way to compensate them. He commented that the basic structure of the departments, equipment, tasks and budget were in place. 268 He believed they could gain efficiency with a single department head for both departments. Mr. 269 Leonard felt review of duties versus contracting out should be reviewed as part of the restructuring. 270 271 Mr. Lynde replied doing so wasn't precluded in the proposal. The proposal will give the Town the 272 opportunity to continue functioning and build upon what they were presently doing. He suggested 273 working on the details as they moved forward.

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Mr. Viger understood that the Board was going to review options for the departments and now it seemed the Selectmen were being asked to move forward with having the Transfer Station Director oversee both departments. Mr. Lynde replied they needed someone in charge and believed at some point in the future the Town would have a public works department. Given the present situation, he felt they had the means to start evolving towards it. He said they needed to look at all aspects to see how it could be structured.

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Mr. Leonard inquired if any of the senior members of the Highway Department had been approached to see if they were interested in an opportunity to come forward. He said it may be beneficial to have someone already within the ranks fill the position and provide department reports to the Board while an analysis was done to determine how to proceed. In that scenario the Selectmen would decide what the Town needed.

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Mr. Viger questioned if there would be a value to have a third party assess both operations. Mr. 288 289 Lynde noted that Mr. Walczak had spoken (on his own) to public works directors but the process would all be a trial period. He added nothing would move forward unless the Board agreed. He 290 believed the information/suggestions submitted by Mr. Walczak were good. Mr. Leonard asked if 291 the current Highway Road Agent Don Foss made any recommendations or identify any people 292 293 interested in coming forward. Mr. Lynde answered no, and apologized for not doing so. He said 294 there was a lot that went on in Town that may be better conducted under a public works department. 295 He felt it would be beneficial to have cross-trained employees between the departments.

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Mr. McDevitt spoke of the benefits for having separate departments. He wasn't against the idea of a public works department, but at the same time wasn't enthusiastic. He noted in the past when the

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299 Town had openings in departments it hasn't been unusual for the Board to ask someone to step up. offer additional pay and ask them to keep an eye on things. The Board didn't know if there was an 300 individual within the department that could step up for a period of time. He felt they needed to know 301 that answer. Based on the approach being reviewed, Mr. McDevitt said it was implied that there 302 303 wasn't someone in the department to step up. Mr. Lynde stated there was someone in place that could handle the day-to-day operations. But in planning and doing the roads, he felt they needed 304 someone else. He believed there would be a savings by taking different approaches and they needed 305 306 someone who would explore options and see if they are possible. He said no decision had been made; the Board's input was welcome. 307

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309 Mr. Leonard suggested a two-pronged approach: 1) take time to do a full-blown analysis of what they wanted to accomplish in the future; and 2) look internally within the Highway Department for 310 someone that can take over in the interim that is knowledgeable about the needs of the department. 311

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Mr. McDevitt questioned if the Board could task Mr. McCarthy to inquire among the Highway 313 314 Department employees if anyone was interested in being appointed Road Agent or have responsibilities similar to a Road Agent. If there is someone interested, he stated the Board should 315 act on it and possibly conduct an interview. Mr. McDevitt's short-term suggestion was to have an 316 317 inter-department employee (if willing) step up and offer them a small pay increase. He said the Selectmen would have a person to call in the department. Mr. Lynde wanted to continue to pursue 318 both departments under one department head. Mr. McDevitt's comments were not intended to rule 319 out Mr. Lynde's suggestion. 320

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Mr. Leonard volunteered to assist in building a project plan and conducting department analysis.

323 Mr. McCarthy understood that the Board would like him to poll the Highway Department and find 324 325 out if someone was interested in stepping forward in the interim. If possible, he will provide the Board with a name and process prior to their next meeting. Mr. Viger didn't want to set someone up 326 for disappointment if in the end the Board went in a different direction and didn't hire them to run 327 328 the department. Mr. McDevitt replied from the start it should be made clear that the Selectmen were considering several options, but would like to know if someone was interested from within the 329 Mr. McCarthy noted the union contracts have stipulations for inter-department 330 department. 331 appointments. At the Selectmen's direction he will speak with Frank Ferreira of the Highway 332 Department to step up on an interim basis.

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334 Mr. Lynde told the Board he would ask Mr. Walczak to meet with the Board at their next meeting to discuss his vision of how the departments might work. 335

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# Village Green Ash Trees

339 Mr. McDevitt told the Board he sent an e-mail to the Conservation Commission seeking their 340 input/opinion as to whether the ash trees should be cut down or if they should wait. He said there wasn't total agreement, but two people made strong arguments to keep the trees for now and see if 341 the Emerald Ash Borer gets closer. He agreed with their suggestion. He commented that the open 342 343 question was who would monitor the trees, which would need to be addressed.

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#### 345 **Revenue Review as of May 26, 2015**

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347 The Selectmen were provided with a revenue spread sheet. At this point, Mr. Lynde felt the Town was in good shape. He noticed there were a couple listings with a minus sign in front of them, which 348

may be an accounting function. He also saw a significant increase in the Cable Department
 (revenue). Mr. McCarthy recalled the Cable Director indicating they received more money than
 anticipated.

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# 353 Impact Fee Discussion

Mr. Lynde said the action required was for the Selectmen to authorize Mr. McCarthy to enter contract with Mark Fougere to conduct impact fee research. He believed the intent was to pay for it out of the Planning Department budget, with the understanding if the budget overran the Selectmen would authorize the expenditure.

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360 Mr. Viger stated the Town didn't fare very well with the last impact fees: the Town had to give some money back and was brought to court. He said the proposal was to collect fees for the school without 361 knowing if they want them or will utilize them. He didn't feel comfortable authorizing any budget to 362 over expend. Mr. Lynde replied the impact fees would be collected for the taxpayers of Pelham, not 363 the school department. He said they were trying to reduce the property tax by having additional 364 revenue. Mr. Viger wanted to know the criteria for the proposed impact fee. Mr. Lynde replied Mr. 365 Fougere would conduct research and create a proposal; however, it would be to fund the additional 366 367 space allocated in the high school renovation to accommodate new people moving into Town. It was believed to be in the \$1-\$2 million dollar range. The impact fee would be collected through the 368 Planning Department. Mr. Lynde said the money wouldn't be given to the school; it would go 369 370 toward paying off the school bond, which would reduce the cost to the taxpayer.

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372 Mr. McDevitt had no objection to having an impact fee study to determine if they could collect 373 money to pay toward the school bond. He agreed with Mr. Viger that they would have to move forward carefully. Mr. Lynde agreed that impact fees have to be done right and that's why a 374 professional would be hired to do it. Mr. Viger commented money wasn't provided in the budget 375 and the Selectmen were now proposing to authorize the Planning Department to overexpend their 376 budget, which isn't the intent of the budget when approved by voters. Mr. Lynde questioned if the 377 Selectmen wanted to forego collecting \$1 - \$2 million dollars to offset the cost of the school. He felt 378 the Board had the authority to authorize moving forward and was disappointed it wasn't put into the 379 budget because it was clear last year that they should have an impact fee. 380

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- 382 It was noted that the cost to review an impact fee would be approximately \$12,335.
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- **MOTION:** (McDevitt/Leonard) To hire Mark Fougere for a sum not to exceed \$13,000 to prepare an impact fee study to offset high school addition costs. Said study to be presented to the Planning Board and Board of Selectmen for their approval.
- **VOTE:** (3-1-0) The motion carried. Mr. Viger voted no.
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# 385 Selectperson Interview

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Mr. Lynde stated the Board had advertised for someone to fill the vacant term on the Board of
Selectmen. There was one applicant; however they were unable to attend the meeting. They will be
scheduled for an interview at the next meeting.

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# 393 TOWN ADMINISTRATOR / SELECTMEN REPORTS

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Mr. Leonard saw the announcement that Fire and Police rescue personnel may be the potential Marshals for Old Home Day. He thought it would be a neat idea to perhaps have an old fashion fireman muster on the Village Green and briefly spoke with Representative Charlene Takesian about the possibility. Mr. Lynde recalled doing something similar years ago and suggested he speak with the Old Home Day coordinator. Any proposed use of the Village Green should be submitted to the Selectmen for consideration.

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Mr. Viger reported on the light replacement status. He stated that the Town was approved for \$89,379.50 as reimbursement from Liberty Utilities through the New Hampshire Saves Program, which represents 50% of the cost of the job (covering the Town Hall, Police Station, outdoor lights, Fire Station, Library, Senior Center, Transfer Station and Highway Department). However, they are out of funding for the financing through the electric bill. Mr. Viger stated the Town would go through the process better next year and apply earlier.

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Mr. Lynde questioned if it was worth pursuing anyway. Mr. Viger replied they didn't have an appropriation for the money. Of the six departments, the Transfer Station was in most need of an upgrade. Mr. Viger discussed how the initial proposal was that Liberty Utilities would finance the Town over a period of time so the savings in the electric bill would have been 'a wash' of the cost.
Mr. Leonard noted that heating, ventilation, air conditioning were included in the New Hampshire Saves Program and should be kept in mind during budget review. Mr. McCarthy noted the Town Hall furnace was a top priority.

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Mr. Lynde told the Board he would be attending a Greater Nashua Annual Public Health Conference,
with a key note address for how to change New Hampshire substance abuse epidemic. He then spoke
of the fact that Property Liability Trust ('PLT') would no longer write new policies. The Town will
need to find a solution, which will cost more money. He discussed the situation and will provide the
Selectmen with copies of the legislation being considered.

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423 Mr. McDevitt was contacted by a local resident in the south east of Town regarding a water well 424 situation (lack of available water) not only in their neighborhood, but also in the greater 425 neighborhood. He's mentioned the situation to Mr. Lynde and also Planning Director Jeff Gowan. 426 He would like to meet with Mr. Gowan and a representative of Pennichuck Water to explore 427 possibilities, which may be complicated and expensive. Mr. McCarthy noted the meeting would be 428 set for next week.

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430 Mr. Viger thanked Cable Coordinator Jim Greenwood and his staff for their hard work during the431 Memorial Day Ceremonies.

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# 433 ADJOURNMENT

**MOTION:** (McDevitt/Viger) To adjourn the meeting.

VOTE:	(4-0-0) The motion carried.
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439	Recording Secretary