

**TOWN OF NEWPORT**  
**Board of Selectmen**  
**6:30 pm Regular Meeting, Municipal Building**  
**Minutes for February 9, 2015**

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**SELECTMEN PRESENT:** Gary Nichols, Chairman; Todd Fratzel, Vice Chairman; David Hoyt, William Wilmot, Jeff Kessler

**STAFF PRESENT:** Paul J. Brown, Town Manager; Larry Wiggins, PWD; Bill Scanlon, Highway Supt.; Bob Naylor, Water/Sewer Supt.; Arnold Greenleaf, WWTP Supt.

**COMMUNITY MEMBERS PRESENT:** none

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman Nichols called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**AGENDA REVIEW:** add RSA 91-A:3 II (a) personnel; (c) reputation of another; (d) real estate; ( e) Litigation (by Brown)

**INFORMATIONAL:**

The following budget sections were reviewed with the Department representatives:

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| 4311    | Public Works Garage |
| 4312    | Highway             |
| 4313    | Bridges             |
| 4302-09 | Capital Outlay      |
| 4327    | WWTP                |
| 4326    | Sewer Services      |
| 4332    | Water Services      |
| 4335    | Water Treatment     |

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business in the public meeting, on a motion by Selectman Kessler, seconded by Selectman Wilmot; *the Board voted by roll call vote to go into non-public session RSA 91-A:3 II (a) Personnel; (c) Reputation of another; (d) Real estate; (e) Litigation.*

The public meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.

On a motion by Selectman Fratzel, seconded by Selectman Hoyt; *the Board voted unanimously to exit the NPS at 9:30 pm.*

On a motion by Selectman Fratzel, seconded by Selectman Kessler; *the Board voted unanimously to embargo the minutes from the Non-public session until March 2, 2015.*

On a motion by Selectman Kessler, seconded by Selectman Fratzel; *the Board voted to adjourn at 9:31 pm. The motion passed 5-0-0.*

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "P. J. Brown", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Paul J Brown,  
Scribe

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**NON-PUBLIC SESSION**

The following minutes were embargoed by the Board of Selectmen until March 2, 2015 via a unanimous vote.

The embargo was removed by the Board of Selectmen on February 16, 2015 via a unanimous vote.

**NON-PUBLIC SESSION:**

91-A:3 II (a) Personnel – No action taken

91-A:3 II (a) Real estate – No action taken

91-A:3 II (a) Litigation – No action taken

91-A:3 II (a) Reputation of another

There was discussion about the Fire and EMS mutual aid services being different issues.

There was a discussion regarding departmental response to mutual aid calls the several towns within the New London Ambulance Service (NLAS) catchment area and Lempster, in the Marlow Ambulance Service (MAS) catchment area. Neither Service contracts with the Town and of those agencies' communities, only the Town of Sunapee has a contract with the Town for service. Both agencies use Newport Fire/EMS as their primary backup. The NLAS territory also includes Newbury, which has Mt. Sunapee Resort.

The number of calls to the coverage areas of these agencies is increasing annually. The Board expressed concern that response to these areas ties up Newport Fire/EMS which could result in service not being available to a Newport resident or a resident of one of the Town's which contract with Newport.

On a motion by Selectman Fratzel, seconded by Selectman Hoyt; *the Board voted unanimously: Effective March 1, 2015, Newport Fire/EMS will no longer provide non-MCI service to Lempster or Towns in the New London Ambulance Service catchment area other than Sunapee.*