Town of Paxton Board of Selectmen

Regular Meeting Minutes Wednesday April 20, 2006

Members Present: Frederick G. Goodrich, Chairman,

John F. Malone, Clerk

Charles Blanchard, Town Administrator

Attendees: Jean Joel

Chairman called the meeting to order at 5:05pm.

Jean Joel discussed the reasons for her decision to resign from her position as Town Accountant, citing the primary reason as not having enough time to do the job. She said it really left her no time for her family.

Jean also said that not being able to be in Paxton at all during normal working hours created a problem – she felt it was very important to have the town Accountant here for at least some regular office hours during the week.

(FG) asked if not giving up Petersham had made the time problem worse. Jean said that while it did have an impact she had been doing it for a long time and it really wasn't a big factor.

(FG) asked if the Vadar Software was a problem. Jean said while there were some problems and things that made data input more time consuming the software was "workable". She mentioned some frustration about missing data and when she asked about things that would make it more user-friendly like a "repeat key", she was told these things were planned in a "future upgrade".

(JM) suggested we ask all Vadar users in the town to keep a log book on any problems or glitches they encounter as they use the system.

(FG), (JM) and (CB) thanked Jean for the work she has done in getting the UMAS accounts set up on the Vadar Accounting System and wished her success in the future.

Jean Joel said she had enjoyed working in Paxton, was sorry she couldn't find the time necessary to continue, and said she would make time to meet with the new Town Accountant to bring him or her up to date on what progress she has made.

Motion (FG) seconded by (JM) to adjourn the meeting at 6:05 pm.

Respectively submitted,

Charles T. Blanchard Town Administrator