SHAFTSBURY SELECTBOARD MINUTES JANUARY 11, 2010 Cole Hall BUDGET WORKSHOP

Board Present: Lon McClintock, Bill Pennebaker, Karen Mellinger, Cinda Morse, Craig Bruder; **Others present**: Margy Becker, Town Administrator; Town Officials: Treasurer, Henri Billow; Lister Larry Johnson.

1. Call to Order

Lon McClintock called the meeting to order at 6:05PM.

2. Budget Workshop:

Budget discussions commenced with a focus on big-picture concerns. Lon McClintock suggested a 6% increase in road crew wages was needed for parity with other towns. Cinda Morse said she supported increased compensation coupled with participation in the Vermont Local Roads Scholar program. General discussions regarding increased compensation were followed by an examination of proposed expenditures for gravel, salt, and chloride.

The Board agreed to delay funding an external audit for one year. Henri Billow submitted cash flow projections for the year-end.

3. Warrants

Payroll warrant #28 in the amount of \$7,436.69.

Cinda Morse made the motion to approve payroll warrant #28. Bill Pennebaker seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Retirement warrant #24 (quarterly) in the amount of \$5,557.66.

Cinda Morse made the motion to approve retirement warrant #24. Bill Pennebaker seconded. The motion carried 5-0 in favor.

Check warrant #25 in the amount of \$81,738.43, inclusive of expenditures on salt, truck engine repairs, TAM management fee, and Cigna premium expenses.

Cinda Morse made the motion to approve check warrant #25. Bill Pennebaker seconded. The motion carried 5-0 in favor.

4. Adjournment

Karen Mellinger made the motion to adjourn at 9:15PM. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted, Margy Becker