

## **ARTICLE 5**

### **SELECTMEN**

#### **General Management**

**SECTION 1.** The Selectmen shall have the general direction and management of the property and affairs of the Town in all matters not otherwise provided for by law, by Town Charter or by these By-Laws.

#### **Police Regulations**

**SECTION 2.** The Selectmen shall make, from time to time, such rules and regulations for the government, management and disposition of police as they may deem expedient.

#### **Claims and Suits**

**SECTION 3.** The Selectmen shall have full authority as agents of the Town, acting upon the advice of the Town Counsel, to settle any claims or suits against the Town.(T.M. 10/20/03)

#### **Defending Interest of Town**

**SECTION 4.** The Selectmen shall appear in the interest of the Town, either personally or by Town Counsel or by special counsel, before any court, committee, or any State or County Board or Commission. They shall have full authority as agents of the Town acting upon the advice of the Town Counsel or special counsel, to institute and prosecute any and all necessary suits and proceedings in favor of the Town, and to appear and defend any and all suits and legal proceedings against or involving the Town's interest, except as is otherwise provided by law.

#### **Execution of Deeds**

**SECTION 5.** All conveyances of land or interests in land or other Town property which may hereafter be authorized by vote of the Town, or otherwise, shall be signed by a majority of the Board of Selectmen, unless otherwise provided by law or by a vote of the Town, and shall be sealed with the Town seal.

#### **Lists of Appointments**

**SECTION 6.** The Selectmen shall, immediately after any person is chosen or appointed to Town Office, file with the Town Clerk a list of such choice or appointment.

#### **Designation of Clerk**

**SECTION 7.** The Selectmen shall designate one of its members as Clerk who shall enter all its records, orders and proceedings in a bound book, and this shall be placed in the custody of the Town Clerk, and shall be open to the inspection of any person at reasonable times.