

July 14, 1975

Minutes of the Selectmen's Meeting

All three Selectmen were present.

A number of people returned their Old Age Exemption Forms. Ross Fleming asked to check the Tax Map and his assessment card and the secretary assisted him.

Jeanette Matheson met with the Selectmen to make an adjustment on her assessment. She claims that she is assessed for too much acreage. The Selectmen adjusted her acreage to 13 acres and gave her an abatement on 1974 taxes.

Mr. Richardson called the Selectmen's attention to the Fellows/Whittemore, Arthur, property he believes that they are not aware that each card represents half of the property, inasmuch as the taxes have been paid on the Arthur Whittemore portion and not the Fellows portion. The Secretary will write a letter explaining the breakdown.

Mr. Richardson also pointed out that the garage on Don Bryers land on Pleasant St. should be charged to Don Bryer and not to Lloyd Chamberlain who has passed away.

The Selectmen met with Merle Abern and told him that he was to use available TRA money on the Lovern Mill Road. Merle is also to send a bill to the man who removed the railing from the bridge on the Lovern Mill Road. So that the town can be reimbursed for the labor and stock used in repairing it.

The Selectmen agreed that Article 11 of the Mutual Aid Agreement should be researched further in respect to the claim made by Bennington that some fire hose was destroyed at the Jackson fire in Antrim.

The Selectmen will meet Thursday at 1:00 P. M. to inspect the Jackson and Hyland properties as requested by James Rymes. They are checking for violations. They said that if they had time they would meet with Mr. White on Elm Avenue as requested by him.

Bob reported that he asked Lloyd Henderson about getting the Ordinance ready for the Beach. It should be a temporary one to be used until Town Meeting.

Mr. McLean would like to have his road paved. Merle reports that it will cost between \$1,000. and \$2,000. The one thousand dollar figure is if we use our own materials and labor and the contractor will use his equipment. The two thousand dollar figure is for a complete job. Merle reports that Mr. McLean will probably pay for half the job, but he does not want to be obligated in the future. The Selectmen decided to repair the road and not to build a new one.

The adding machine cost \$60.50 to fix. The Selectmen decided to send a bill for \$30.25 which represents half, to the Tax Map people, Sosneskie and Drache.

Mr. Orlando asked Eric if he could use a two holer on his lot at Franklin Pierce Lake, while he is building. The Selectmen told the secretary to send a letter suggesting a chemical unit.

Bob mentioned that a letter was sent to the Manpower Administration asking that we be able to keep James Hammond on under the program for an additional six months. The Selectmen suggested that Merle delete his workforce by one since his budget is over and it does not look like things are getting any better.

Bob also mentioned that the Police Department budget was running a bit heavy and it is still early in the year.

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Andy Lane was in, in regard to his application for discretionary easement on his property. The Selectmen discussed this and they mentioned that it obligated both him and the town for ten years. In further discussion Eric stated that he believed that after exempting his house lot and business lot the land should not be assessed for less than \$125. to \$150. per acre. Eric said to get in touch with both him and Mr. Nilson and ask them to come in and negotiate.

Peter Clemm appeared before the Selectmen about the Vogel-Clemm property again this week. The Selectmen agreed to refigure his assessment using the 340 feet frontage figure. The abatement he requested was denied inasmuch as he did not come in until late in the season and the deadlines have long since passed.

Addendum: July 15, 1975

Robert Merrill met with Mr. Dodge and his associates, from the State Highway Department about the dead trees on Main Street. The Highway Department represented by Mr. Dodge, agreed to take down seven trees. All correspondence with Public Utilities and parties concerned will be handled by the State Highway Department