

Selectmen't Meeting, Monday, February 13, 1984

Meeting began at 7:30 with the Pledge to Our Flag.

Present: John J. Jones, chairman, Katherine M. Ring and Leslie MacNeil.

K. Ring asked about the number of hours until minutes had to be posted or made available to the public. Lloyd Henderson checked and found 144 hours. Page two of supplement.

Lloyd also said there is no way to re-negotiate with the Cable Co. There should be some in-put from the selectmen as to the rates to be charged for the Cable service to homes in the Town.

George Cole, road agent asked that the present selectmen sign for TRA completed in 1980. John checked with Lloyd to see if it was alright to have present selectmen sign for work done while other selectmen were in office. Lloyd saw no problem as the form was just to complete the State paperwork.

George Cole said that as far as Craig Road goes it will need gravel as well as culverts. It is a summer maintained Road. So far the Town has no standards written for when someone puts in a driveway. When problems show up after, the Town is left to correct the errors. The new drive put in on Craig Rd. is causing a run off from the 100' driveway and is helping to wash out the Road. Something should be in writing to cover the Town in such cases. If the Road Crew goes another 1000' on Craig Road there is no place for them to turn around. Les suggested they make the turn around at the top of the hill, that would add on another one mile. John asked what is to be told to the land owner in the meantime. It gets muddy up there and it would be very hard for him to get into his property in the Spring. Owner wants to be able to start building in the Spring of 1985. Selectmen said the owner will have to correct the driveway so as not to cause a problem with the Town Road. It is the responsibility of the owner to put in the first culvert after that it is up to the Town to maintain them.

George was told there was a bad hole on the Road to the dump. The road crew had already taken care of it during the day.

When other bridges are being done in the town would be a good time to do some work on the West St. Bridge. All the forms etc. could be used at the same time.

K. Ring spoke to Smith Harriman about the Gregg Lake Rd. bridge. (White Birch Pt.)

She was told that two egg shaped pipes put into place will hold anything. George can not see how the work can be finished in a week if they run into ledge. Access to property will be a problem while the work is going on. The weight limit on the Town bridge have become an ever increasing concern.

The sidewalks on High St. will take a beating with the trucks trying to turn around.

John wanted to know if the selectmen are justified in up-grading the High St.

Bridge when there are other Bridges in much worse shape.

The bridges were inspected in 1981, there have been no reports since from the State.

Should the Town get State Aid for any bridges, it would be the same as the Elm

Ave. Bridge. Cost would be much higher then if the Town did the work on their own.

The highway department is in favor of the Town going on the J plan for the BC/BS.

I would cost each employee \$154.80 per year for the family plan. Any increased premium in the future the Town will pick up.

Brian Brown, police chief, reported that the Town was voted into the dispatch.

It will cost about \$8,400 for the material, labor cost will bring it up to about \$9,000. This will be divided among the Towns. Brian will have an answering machine connected to the 6613 number and the officer on call will answer any calls not going directly to dispatch. 1-352-1100. This will be the dispatch for fire police or ambulance.

Brian has a letter ready to go out with the new numbers.

Brian gave his weekly report.

Gordon Allen spoke to K. Ring. Hud has changed some of their plans. They are

now looking into buying another piece of property. *→ The Main R.M.R.* It has been decided not <sup>to</sup> have the handicapped along with the other residents in the High St. property. That property will be kept just for those able to care for themselves. They are looking to Grove St. for the handicapped.

John asked Lloyd if he has heard anything from the landfill? Nothing from the Bennington selectmen. Eric Tenney saw it was a good deal to be able to cover up the present problem and it will not cost that much. Lloyd does not see the solid waste district having any effect on the present landfill agreement. District does not amount to much. John thinks Antrim should have a larger say in the landfill than they do at the present.

In 79, waste paper from the paper mill was a problem now they are talking about covering the waste problem with the same waste paper from the landfill, and putting clay over it.

Antrim Selectmen took the word of the Bennington Selectmen when they were told the landfill was good for many years. No one ever knew there was a leaching problem at the landfill. An Antrim company has been dumping about 4 gallon of paint thinner at the fill. They have been contacted to stop, and told to contact Gooddell Co. for information on where to have hazardous waste disposed of.

Lloyd said the warrant is not typed yet. Report must be to the printer by the end of the week if we are to have the report on time for the taxpayers. Some discussion took place on the possible computer for the Town. Selectmen will make no decisions until it is known just what is wanted of the computer. What memory will be needed etc. They will not risk spending Town money until they know just what is needed and to get the most for what will be spent. The new laws make a large job for the tax collector and this is one area which will have to be looked into closely.

There will be one article on revenue sharing which will contain all items to do with revenue sharing. Each will be taken separately and can be voted in or out. 27 warrant articles in all.

Selectmen went over the warrant with Lloyd and decided in which order they will be presented to the Town.

Selectmen want to meet with the Public Service Co. some Tuesday in April. An appointment will have to be made.

Paul Dunlap is to be told that he can submit an building permit and it will not be turned down due to the shortage of front footage as long as he meets all other requirements. He has an approved sub-division.

Meeting adjourned 11:30

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