

K. Smith

Selectmen's Meeting, Monday, July 2, 1984

Present: John J. Jones, chairman, Katherine M. Ring.  
Selectmen called the meeting to order at 7:30 with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Chamberlain spoke to the selectmen about any rules for the building inspector to follow. He was concerned about two apartments having been put in Dr. Chandler's building and only one exit. John gave him a book with some information for the building inspector to follow. There are no set rules in the Town for the building inspector.

Clark Craig Jr., road agent gave his weekly report. Repairs were made to the sidewalk in front of the Town Hall. Culvert cleaned out on Summer Ave.. Pierce Lake Rd. was cleaned up by removal of some rocks and raking Rd. Culverts needing replaced on Smith Road have been taken care of.

D. Proctor called about a lost limb of a large tree on ~~Hyland~~ <sup>Highland</sup> Ave. Clark will check to see if the tree has to be removed and just who is responsible for the removal of the tree in the event it will need removal. Selectmen spoke to Clark about his budget. No overtime unless emergency and no rental of equipment when Town equipment can be used. Budget is not in good condition at this point of the year. It was suggested that when Rachel returns from her trip, a meeting with the three selectmen, Lloyd and Clark to go over the budget so all have a full understanding of what is there and how the budget works, all agreed to this meeting. (Selectmen, Lloyd and Clark.) Clark understood that he would have highway sub. in add. No date has been set to start the Road improvement on West St. Some figures are needed to see just what can be done with the \$10,000 for the fire station driveways. Clark will get together with Hank and see what has to be done and just what the cost will be. The town tractor is back from Keats. Clark has not had time to use it yet. Grader parts still are not in, it is hoped they will arrive within the next week.

Clark will check with Kurt Rowe to see when he has time to work with him on West St. K. Ring suggest he shop around to see what prices he can get. Although Smith Harriman gets \$60 an hour ~~when~~ compared to Kurt's \$70. an hour for his back hoe, Clark thinks the job goes faster with Kurt.

Brian Brown, police chief reminded the selectmen that his fifth anniversary was July 1, he is due a raise. Although Brian has had his desk moved over to his new office, he has not it put together yet. He is still looking for more office equipment. He will check out the second hand place in Walpole. John has an add for a place in Boston and will see that Brian gets it to check out. Lloyd also knows of a place. Brian asked if there was any decision as to appointing Chris Joseph as police sgt. John and Kit want to wait for Rachel to return before any decision is made on Brian's raise or Chris' appointment.

Charlie Joe Grabowski complained about the BOA hearing on the Shaw property. Feels Shaws got a raw deal. Howard Humphrey spoke in favor of an abutters property. A fifteen minute meeting took one and a half hours. Mr. Penny told Mr. Grabowski to keep quiet. Mr. Goodwin asked if the Shaw's had a builder, Mr. Grabowski does not see this as the business of the BOA. Mr. Grabowski mentioned a variance being granted to a friend of the BOA and the fact the friend has bragged he would have no problem due to the friend on the board. Mr. Humphrey asked if they should check out the site again and Mr. Grabowski thinks they had ample

time to check out the site before the meeting. Since Dave Penny did not ask to be put on the BOA, and Mr. Grabowski had requested being put on the BOA, C. J. Grabowski believes Mr. Penny should be removed from the BOA and Mr. Grabowski put in his place. Mr. Grabowski does not believe it was a well run meeting as it should have taken no more than 15 min. Board took time deciding where the Shaws should put the garage and not wanting to hear where Shaws wanted it. Feels Shaws treated unfairly, deserve better treatment. Total sham, disgrace to Town. Five out of six owners have garage yet Shaws aren't entitled to one. Mr. Grabowski believes he is entitled to his feelings and beliefs and does know how to uphold rules of the BOA without giving up his beliefs. Asked that the selectmen look into the removal of D. Penny and put him on the board. John Jones said he would look into the meeting and get legal opinion.

Dr. Chandler and Donald Shook brought in plans for a proposed lot. Dr. Chandler has separate deeds on all his lots. He wishes to take the smallest amount out of CUV. He does not know how many acres in each piece of property. Many possibilities were pointed out. K. Ring suggested the property be surveyed to see how much was in one piece. If it is more than he wants to deed over to his daughter, he may have to sub-divide the property. There is a surveyor out of New Boston working on the plans now.

Water Pollution and Control permit has not as yet been secured. Due to the time factor, they asked if they can start building while waiting for the WPC permit. Since the property is going to a daughter, K. Ring sees no problem with starting the foundation. (It is already in) K. Ring and J. Jones do not want to hold them up while waiting for the permit from Water Pollution and Control. They were told to proceed while waiting for the required permit.

K. Ring took this opportunity to ask Dr. Chandler is he was planning to put in an apartment in the Medical Building which in the past housed the Dentist office. Dr. Chandler told her there were two apartments of two bedrooms each in the building. Dr. Chandler believes his assessment should go down now that it is part residential and part business. John will talk to Lloyd to see if he needs a building permit. (Apartments already in)

Alice Mae, treasurer asked the selectmen if she had their approval to invest some of the money now in the Money Market account. She is not sure until she checks if the Town would earn more in a Treasurer Note or in the money market. She was granted permission to invest if the rate is better. (both selectmen agreed to this).

Mr. Vaughn and his son were in to thank the selectmen for the quick response to his request to have Pierce Lake Rd. cleaned of large rocks etc. Very pleased and very surprised with the quick actions, he spoke in place of all the property owners on the Road.

The Antrim Village abatement will be voted on when Rachel returns.

Mrs. Obert is to receive a letter from Lloyd.

Forms on wage schedule for the Town to be filled out by secretary. Lloyd said nothing can be done about noise made by crews at 5am while working on the Elm Ave. Bridge.

Bob Varnum has agreed to repair the main landing on the emergency exit from the Town Hall. He will check out the supports as well as replace the rotted boards.

Secretary will type up Lloyds lease increasing it by \$50. a month.

Secretary to write a letter to the Chamber of Commerce in regard to the Conley property on 202.

John to check out Radio Shack to see if there is an inexpensive way to put in an intercom for the Town Clerk.

Town Clock to be unplugged for 11 hrs and 55 min and replugged to correct the time. John will check to see about this.

Meeting adjourned 9:29

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