

Selectmen's Meeting, Tuesday, October 9, 1984

Present: John J. Jones, chairman, Katherine M. Ring and Rachel C. Reinstein.

Meeting was called to order at 7:30pm with the Pledge Of Allegiance. It was decided that the letter to property owners with automatic fire alarms be notified by the Selectmen that in the future they will be charged a cost to cover the expenses when the Fire Department answer calls due to false alarms and/or faulty equipment. Lloyd will be notified the letter will come from the Selectmen's office.

Minutes of last weeks meeting accepted as written.

Mr. Bunce from Keats spoke to the Selectmen in regard to the bill received by the Highway Department. The bill was in excess of what was expected. It was agreed that the failure was in communication. Weather on the part of the Road Agent or the Service Manager of Keats was not important, a mis-understanding did take place and the Selectmen agreed to talk about it among themselves and get in touch with Mr. Bunce.

All agreements in the future, weather for repairs of equipment or for any and all work being done for the Town will have to be in writing. All three Selectmen agreed to this.

Selectmen agreed to have secretary call and see what, if any, Mr. Bunce would be willing to reduce the bill. Most of the parts were connected to the repair being done, but one charge was for a replacement which was not part of the overall job, and the quoted price for the block was \$374. over the quote. Secretary will see if he will reduce the bill by \$500.

The Town grader is repaired and a letter is to go to the College thanking them for the use of their grader while the Town's was in for repairs. Clark worked on Reed Carr Rd. today.

K. Ring asked if he will be putting in stone to support a large culvert on West St. The Road Crew will be patching some of the holes in the road while the weather holds out.

Aiden Ring wants to know when the crew will be working on his Road. He wants to be present. Clark said either Wednesday or Thursday.

K. Ring asked to make it Thursday since it was too late to contact Aiden.

A written bid was received from Whitcomb for the paving of the Fire Stations, West St. and White Birch Pt. Bridge.

It will cost \$35 a ton for a total of \$26,250.

Fire Station One will require 210 ton, North Branch will take 23 ton. White Birch Pt. Bridge 30 ton, West St. the balance 479 ton with 8 ton going to Whiton Rd. Selectmen requested the bid be broken down as above since the original bid states the amount needed for each job leaving the balance for West St. Once the contract is re-written and the costs and amount spelt out the Selectmen will sign it. This will leave no room for mis-understandings. Starting date to be obtained.

Selectmen discussed the review of the work by the Road Crew and all decided with Clark to give an overall merit increase of 5% retro to six months after their anniversary date. J. Hammond to his anniversary date, all about the middle of September.

Clark changed over a part from an unused vehicle to one in service. Clark reported the cab-over needs front end work and brakes so he used some of the parts to repair the other truck. K. Ring reported the cab-over had been parked with the chains on it after it was used this past winter. Selectmen believe this is a vehicle which will be needed by the Road Crew to do sanding etc. this winter and should be put in repair if at all possible. Clark was instructed to have someone go over the vehicle and give a written estimate as to the cost for

needed repairs. (This is the 1966 Ford)
K. Ring reminded Clark this is the time of year to think of starting the cleaning out of the culverts in Town. Once the leaves are down, if they are not removed from the culverts, the Roads become flooded. John questioned the surface on High St. and asked if the width is the same as always. It appeared to be narrower. Clark did not think it was, but will check it out.

Repairs were made to the fire whistle in the Town Hall last week. Neil Sharby spent a day working with the Public Service to correct the problem. Motor was burnt out due to a surge from P.S. Hank Cutter, Fire Chief suggested that Mr. Leavitt be called to check out the wiring in the Town Hall. Selectmen will have to decide just how much can be done at this time to correct any problems to the wiring if any is found faulty. A fund was set up this year to cover some major repairs to the Town Buildings, this may be one area in need of attention. If after it has been checked out, the warrant will have to request removal from the Capital Reserve Acc.

Secretary requested a written bid from Rymes to show the break down of the cost of fuel oil, gas, and diesel oil for the Town. No written response has been received. Another request will be made.

It was decided to check out the software prices received from some of the other companies to make a decision on the purchase of a computer. A call will be placed to Laconia to see what they paid for their software package. There is still the option to have on-line computer service with Granite State as well as Southwest Service. There is a chance Southwest would be cheaper than Granite State.

Meeting adjourned 10:20

ems

Selectmen signed warrants for posting for the November 6th election.

Agreed to give information to Dublin on wages and benefits to employees, but request a sharing of information. Title and wage of their Administrative Assistant.

A call is to be placed to Southern M.H. Services to see if the youth who are willing to work at odd jobs, is in fact, volunteer or are they paid through the Service.

ems