

Selectmen's Meeting, Monday, January 20, 1986

Present: Rachel C. Reinstein, chairman and John J. Jones. Katherine Ring was out sick.

Meeting called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Selectmen signed checks as well as abatement forms and abatement applications.

Mr. Mattson requested information as to changing the use of a building he is considering buying on Old Hancock Rd. He would like to change a barn into living quarters. Due to the small size of the property and the location to the river, there was a question as to his being able to acquire a septic approval. Adjoining property owners were looked up and he plans to check to see if he can purchase a portion of the adjoining property to gain enough room for a septic system.

Mr. Bob Flanders asked how the selectmen felt about a warrant item to ask the Town to pay for repairs on the old Grange Hall. The Historic Society has strong feelings as to the need to retain some of the old building in Town, yet they have no money to follow through on the needed repairs. Not only is the building in need of paint, but the roof is leaking and there is need of interior work. Rachel remarked that years ago there was a limit on the number of people who could be in the building at one time due to structure damage. The building is used perhaps once a year for a meeting, and this is during the summer. There is no parking.

Mr. Flanders was asked how his plans for the use of the Old Church were coming. Still negotiating.

Mr. James Dennison is looking into hiring a clerk for the Planning Board at \$6.00 an hour. The Planning Board budget has ample money built into it to cover the cost of a paid clerk. He will pay for the service himself and be reimbursed by the Town. He will advertise for applicants.

Selectmen have agreed to allow the secretary to close the office on Wednesday afternoons and Friday mornings until Town Meeting to free her up to do work without interruption.

Jim Dennison informed the selectmen he called a real estate in regard to land belonging to M. Salaro being advertised. It is not a legal sub-division at this time. Add was to be cancelled. In the past Carroll Green had asked the Planning Board if he could put a sign on his building and was granted permission to do so. This information is in the planning board minutes. (This in response to C. Greens request for an abatement saying he was not allowed to erect a sign.)

Lloyd Henderson spoke to the selectmen about a bill pending in the State raising the amount of assets for the elderly and leaving them eligible for the exemptions. He did not know if the Town will have to adopt this if the State allows it.

It was agreed that when the inventory forms go out a letter requesting interested parties to forward their names for the different boards, such as the BOA, Planning, Park etc. Town always in need of volunteers.

Meeting adjourned 10:00

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