

Selectmen's Meeting, Monday, June 9, 1986

Present: Rachel C. Reinstein, Chairman, John J. Jones and Keith A. Boatright.  
Meeting called to order at 7:30 with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Checks were signed as was a building permit for Mr. Mosher. A permit for Wright-Davis was denied and will have to be taken to the BOA for variance due to having two apartments in the building and zoning will not allow a third.

Mr. Hutchinson's permit was denied due to not being on a Town road. Intent to cut was also signed.

Mr. Graham asked for a refund of taxes which he felt is due him for the past three years. Mr. Graham came in to inform tax collector he was having trouble paying his taxes in December or January. Secretary checked to see if he was eligible for elderly and found he had been receiving an exemption but he should have applied for an increase due to his having reached 80 years. This was corrected for tax year 1985 and an abatement was granted for the difference. Selectmen explained he could not go back three years. Mr. Graham will check into this.

Brian Brown, Police chief talked over the relocation of the police department since the fire. He would rather move the desks once and this would be easier if the front door is removed. He will have to do an inventory of the lost items and those needing repairs. Brian will be advertising in the Union Leader for a replacement for Larry. He has not done this as yet.

Mr. Chauncey went over his property cards and was in agreement with the assessment on his building but raised a question as to the tax on two acres removed from CUV. A call to the Dept. of Rev. to check the land release formula. He also questioned why he is listed as having two sites as secondary sites on his assessment cards while property adjoining his does not have two secondary sites. This will be checked out with the assessors.

Mr. C. J. Grabowski requested minutes of a meeting between the Planning Board, BOA and selectmen held on May 19th. Selectmen explained no meeting held that night and the meeting of May 5 the BOA would have the minutes of that meeting. That was an executive meeting with Lloyd Henderson to discuss a pending court case. Mr. Grabowski asked if he were discussed and was told not that anyone could recall. Meeting was held to discuss the Frances/Chauncey case.

Mr. Roger Croteau presented the selectmen with a plan for a parking lot to hold seven cars. BOA requested he supply four or five spaces in order to be granted a building permit. Since he met the BOA requirements, the Selectmen approved his permit.

Bob Varnum gave his report. A cave in by the slaughter barn needs repairs now. This can not be put off. An old culvert and water main are of major concern right now. The water main has a slab of granite laying on it and will need to be replaced since it is 25 yrs. old. Best to install it while the road is being worked on. Bob called Penn Culvert for a price and may have to have a custom made culvert. Excavator will also have to come in.

This cave in has taken top priority over all other road repairs. West St will have to be repaired as soon as the culvert is delivered. Bob heard the complaint from the College and since he put in fill and shimmed up the road, he does not plan to go back in this year. Keith Boatright checked

out the road on his way to the meeting tonight and found the road to be no worse than many in Town and better than most of the roads in need of repair. Bob asked that a meeting be set up with the College, Selectmen and himself to get this problem cleared up. Reports in the paper make it sound as if he is not aware of the condition of the road and will not do anything to repair it. As mentioned, he has repaired the road this year and must move on to roads in more need. As much as he would like to set a firm schedule to repair roads, problems such as occurred on West St. throw off any schedule he may set up.

Smith Road must be completed this year or lose all the work that has been put into it.

Lloyd mentioned that at a special town meeting, Bob could ask for additional funds to cover West St. if the funds are not in his budget and he can not find where to pull them from in order to balance his budget this year.

A Special Town Meeting may be called to get added money to repair the Police Station as it is doubted that insurance funds would cover the entire cost. There is a hearing scheduled on June 19th to see what the feelings of the tax payers are as to rebuilding or tearing the burnt building down and putting in a parking place.

Paul Hardwick would like to bid on the bricks from the building. It is possible to pull the chimney down using a backhoe.

Calls have been made to have contractors in to get costs to repair and/or pull the remainder of the building down.

It has been suggested by Keith Boatright, that since Steel Pond Hydro has not sent requested information to the Town, they be taxed for the value of the building and they would respond to this. The tax agreement between Steel Pond Hydro and the Town has not been located and all efforts at receiving a copy have failed.

Meeting adjourned 10:30

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