

Selectmen's meeting, Tuesday, September 6, 1988

Present: Rachel Reinstein, Chairman, Edwin Rowehl, Madeleine Henley, Administrative Assistant & Elizabeth M. Shaw, Secretary/Bookkeeper.

Meeting called to order at 7:30 PM.

Mrs. Ricupero and Dave Boule' were present as they were awaiting building permits.

A discussion was held as to the need for the presence of a lawyer at each Planning Board meeting.

Al. Ricard will be called to construct an election booth. Selectmen asked to have the booths down by Thursday on time for the Planning Board meeting. Secretary reminded Selectmen Mr. Craft is not paid to put up or take down the booths. They were not part of the agreement made with them at the time they were employed as custodians. Mr. Craft schedules his time and allows for removal on a week-end. Secretary will check to see if they can be removed by Thursday, if not, it is possible for the Planning Board to use the upper hall.

Selectmen approved the purchase of the BOCA book in preparation of adopting building codes.

Edwin Rowehl moved to adopt RSA 676:17. Rachel Reinstein second. A fine of \$100 will be levied if construction begins on a property before the issuance of a building permit.

Arthur Stenberg reported on the building permits he was issued last week.

Permit #8880, was approved for Mr. & Mrs. Richupero for a duplex on Rt. 31..

#8883 Mr. Boule's permit was disapproved. Art. 13 D. He will consider if he should go to the BOA or plan to rebuild the same size building, on the same location as the present one which he plans to remove.

#8878 Mr. Behlman's permit was approved for a greenhouse.

#8810 Mr. Foley had changed dimensions on an approved permit. Questions were raised as to the set back since the private road winds around the property. Selectmen will check with Mr. Runyon to see if a property fronts on two roads must the set back be 50" from each road.

#8886 was the new # assigned to Mr. Foley's amended permit.

#8879 Permit for Matte was disapproved. Expansion was on a non conforming structure and will have to go to the BOA.

Shelly Nelkins, Dave Penny, and Mary Allen met with the Selectmen. Dave Penny spoke as a member of the BOA, Mary Allen as a reporter and Shelly Nelkins as a concerned citizen.

Shelly Nelkins has checked the population of New Boston and found they have 2540 which is 105 less than Antrim. She is concerned over New Boston using the landfill. It was explained that New Boston was granted a two year contract which expires in December to use the landfill. Bennington can not extend this time limit without a special Town Meeting, which

Madeleine Henley was assured by the Bennington Administrative Assistant, was not scheduled or planned.

Bennington will use the landfill starting mid-Sept. to December.

Shelley asked if Antrim does not have a say, what is Antrim's liability in the event of hazardous waste and the eventual closing of the landfill.

New Boston may not be screening out household hazardous waste.

RSA 39:3 may be able to put this on a ballot. Dave Penny believes it will have to go on Bennington's ballot. New Boston has polluted their own landfill which give cause for the concern. Dump stickers aren't being checked.

Allowing New Boston to dump in the Antrim/Bennington landfill reduces the life of the landfill.

Shelly Nelkins advised looking into the liability which Antrim will have.

She also asked if the Selectmen had checked with the paper mill. The sludge which they deposit at the landfill has never been tested. It should be checked twice a year. Used as a cover, but never approved.

Shelly Nelkins is concerned over a possible incinerator and since the sludge is not tested, the air will be affected.

Mary Allen joined the meeting as a concerned citizen. Dave Penny questioned Mr. Little representing the Planning Board while Mr. Little is representing Mr. Page who has litigation against the Town. Mr. Penny does not believe Mr. Little should be writing a zoning book. A question as to why the Planning Board can't use the Town attorney was raised. Rachel Reinstein mentioned the Selectmen and the Planning Board have a difference of opinion. Mr. Runyon had suggested the Planning Board seek an attorney on a different matter. Mr. Runyon did not see where he should attend ever meeting which was the request of the Planning Board. Mr. Little, speaking to Madeleine Henley, was told Mr. Little also sees no reason to be present at each meeting. Dave Penny was not in favor of each board hiring its own attorney. There would be too much conflict and different information on each subject.

Mary Allen, Chairman of the BOA, said the concern surfaced last week. It was understood that Mr. Little was engaged just to advise the Planning Board while they were in conflict with the Selectmen.

Mary Allen pointed out that last year she requested using an attorney other than the Town attorney for one case. It was understood that the Board of Selectmen do the hiring since the Selectmen have the overall say on how money is spent.

Dave Penny mentioned the Planning Board has refused to go to South West Region due to lack of funds yet they hire an attorney for each meeting. Rachel Reinstein said the Planning Board has to go back to South West Region and pay at their clerical rate in order to have the work already put into the zoning changes to date, finalized.

Mary Allen pointed out a developer may be able to use Mr. Little as a lawyer in the future, while Mr. Little is presently having input in the zoning ordinance. Very concerned over future litigation. Rachel Reinstein agreed to speak to Mr. Runyon on the matter.

Minutes of last weeks meeting were amended to say Edwin Rowehl authorized Phil Runyon to continue to review the documents on the Breezy Point Cond. The wording on the Beaver Dam Rd. is to be changed to show the Rd. was paved, not that Mr. Foley did the paving. Minutes were approved with the two changes.

The Selectmen have not made a firm decision on the public hearing regarding the Planning Board members. They will speak to Phil Runyon tomorrow.

Meeting adjourned 10:00

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