

Selectmen's Meeting, December 10, 1990

Present: Edwin Rowehl, Donald Phelps, Betty Shaw, Secretary.

Meeting called to order at 7:30

Bill Suydam, Chairman of the Board, joined the meeting at this time.

Martha Pinello went over the proposed budget for the Conservation Commission which she submitted to the Selectmen.

The proposed budget is for \$1,314.

Helene Newbold was interviewed as an alternate member on the Zoning Board of Adjustment. Ed moved to appoint Helene, second, Don. All in favor. So moved.

Bill Suydam swore Helene in as an alternate member of the ZBA. She was presented with copies of all regulations which will be used on the board.

Phil Dwight, Joe Smith joined the meeting.

Bob Varnum, Road Agent wants at least ten feet removed from the bank and a two or three to one slope on the West St. project.

Bob proposes to keep the road improvement budget the same as last year. Being aware of the economy, he hopes this budget will not be cut.

West St. is scheduled for 1992 and will not be done until such time as the water lines are changed. Both the highway and the water departments have to work together on this project.

Bob went over his proposed highway budget. Last years requested budget was \$185,750, cut to \$177,500. This year the proposed budget with a minimum 5% increase in pay, is \$193,150. This figure is hard to determine due to the increases expected in the fuel and, asphalt. The increase in fuel the past few months is reflected in the over expenditure of the fuel line.

Bob asked if the Selectmen will either set up a line item in the budget for sidewalks or add funds to the highway budget for the upkeep of them. The highway crew does plow what they can of the sidewalks but they are in need of repairs. Don suggested posting sidewalks which will be plowed this winter.

Since the increase in gas and diesel, the Selectmen will request bids for bulk deliveries of gas and diesel.

Gary Gagnon, police sgt., presented a proposed budget for the police department. Until a decision is made as to hiring a police chief, the figures for salary are difficult to predict. One set of figures presented have a 5% increase for the present two officers.