

Selectmen's Meeting, Monday, February 4, 1991

Present: Edwin Rowehl, acting chairman, Donald Phelps and Betty Shaw, Secretary.

Meeting called to order 7:30

Employees, Robert Varnum, Road Agent, Ralph Brooks, Police Chief, Barbara Elia and Betty Shaw met to discuss possible pay increases for 1991. Although the cost of living went up 6.5% the proposed increase was 1.25% over the budgeted proposal or 4.1% for the year.

Bill Suydam joined the meeting at 7:45.  
No decision was made at this time.

Selectmen met with engineers from the three companies who made the short list to review the emergency action plan. The three companies on the short list are DuBois & King, Stetson-Harza and S2H Consultants, Inc.

Proposals will be due back in three weeks. February 25 at 5PM.

Matt Chauncey spoke of his concern over the proposal of the Contoocook Valley Greenway for the protection of the North Branch River. Being a property owner, Mr. Chauncey said he was not contacted by the conservation commission although a neighbor did give him a notice of the proposed meetings where the plans were discussed. Mr. Chauncey pointed out the plans would in effect cut his property in half. He would be restricted as to what he could do within 250 feet of the water.

After some discussion, Don moved to rescind the selectmen's support for the Contoocook River Greenway. Second Bill, all in favor. So moved.

A letter will be written to the NH Rivers Management & Protection Program withdrawing the support of the BOS. Mrs. Chauncey will pick up the letter on Tuesday, Feb. 5, 1991. Property owners were not notified by mail some by hand delivered flyers.

Selectmen discussed the warrant articles and budget.

Bids for the second egress to the Police Department were reviewed. Bill moved to award the contract to Steve Schacht. Don second, all in favor, so moved.

Minutes of Jan 21 approved by Don, second by Bill, all in favor, so moved.

Don moved to accept the minutes of Jan 28, second Ed, all in favor. So moved.

Selectmen talked of a possible ordinance to have landowners responsible for sidewalks abutting their property.

Secretary left at 10:45 as the selectmen voted to go into executive session to discuss the pay proposal.           ems