Selectmen's Meeting, Monday, April 1, 1991

Meeting called to order at 7:30

Present: Edwin Rowehl, Chairman, Donald Phelps, Phil Dwight, Elizabeth Shaw, secretary.

Phil Dwight attended the new selectmens meeting today. He asked about the selectmen having adopted to indemnify town employees in the event of a lawsuit. This was in the Town report several years ago.

Bob Varnum, Road Agent, discussed Smith Road. Phil made a motion to rescind the vote of last week requesting an engineering design for the road. Second Ed Rowehl. Don abstained. Two in favor. So moved.

Phil moved to accept petition of Mr. Winslow to lay out Smith Road. Second Donald Phelps. All in favor. So moved. A public hearing will be held on April 29th at 7:30. A contractual agreement will be made with Smith Harriman as to the construction of the road. It will be to Town specs, (the road agent will oversee the project).

Mr. Richard and Robert Winslow will donate a 50' strip of land to the Town. Exact location will be determined at a later time. They will also be donating \$38,000 for use on the relocation of the road.

Bob reviewed a list of roads which he plans to work on this year. He sympathizes with Mr. Wasserloos as White Birch Point Road is in very poor condition right now but he can do nothing about it until the road dries out. White Birch Point will be the first road to be turned back to gravel this year.

Gregg Lake Rd. from the boat landing to the bottom of Cuddihy Road will also be turned back to gravel.

A section before the lake will be build up about three feet and pug mill put on it.

Salmon Brook Road will be turned back to a gravel road. About 500 feet at the top end of Pleasant St. may have pug mill put back on it in order to stabilize it.

If time allows, the remainder of Smith Road will be turned back to gravel.

Elm St. Extension bridge has been rebuilt. Planking is on order for the Craig Road Bridge.

The building around the gas tanks at the barn has been constructed in such a way that if the tanks ever go underground, the building can be completed and used as a storage barn.

A question was raised as to how much higher Liberty Farm Bridge would have to be raised if we are to accept FEMA funds. The grant application for this project will be withdrawn as Bob can have the bridge replaced for the budgeted amount.

Ralph Brooks, Police Chief, reported the new window has been installed in the Police Dept.

Ralph pointed out the line item for training has been overspent due to some bills received this year which were for supplies received last year. (ammunition).

DARE donations have been good.

When the College opens, security will be discussed with Antrim Police Chief. A mutual agreement will be reached. In the interim Ralph will meet with the NH College Town Chiefs to see what they have found works best.

Harry Page requested the selectmen speak to the water commissioners about payment for the easement on the Water St. property. The water line was installed many years ago but no written easement was drawn up. The commissioners had agreed to pay \$2,500 for the easement once it was recorded at the registrars. Harry left the original agreement with the Book and Page # from the registrar with the selectmen. They will contact the commissioners.

Harry mentioned the River protection and impact on property owners.

Chris Bacon Salmon reviewed his hopes for the property on Rte. 9. Selectmen believe he is premature with his plans for an underground pen stock. Chris was trying to get some input from the State, while the road in question is a Town road.

Phil moved to accept the minutes of last week. Don second. All in favor. So moved.

A letter welcoming the new owners of Hawthorne College was signed.
MS II was signed.

Selectmen will be giving notice that no committees are authorized to call the Town Attorney without prior approval from the Selectmen. Selectmen can not keep a tight rein on the legal budget when committee members use his service and the selectmen are not aware of it. Many questions can be answered by the Municipal lawyer without incurring expenses.

Steve Crowell, Paul Ruess, Helene Newbold, Diane Chauncey, Dave Boule', Gorden Allen, and Dave Penny will be on the committee to research article #15 of the Town Warrant. Their firs meeting will be April 8 at 7:15.

Helene Newbold will attend the "Scoping" meeting for the Hillsboro bypass at 2:M, April 2 as a representative of the Board of Adjustment. Ed Forster, and Hugh Giffin will be on the Hillsboro Bypass Task force. There are two meetings scheduled for April 2. Ed will attend both the 2 pm and the 7pm meetings.

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