

Selectmen's Meeting, Monday, December 7, 1992

Present: Phil Dwight, Chairman, Dave Boule', Mike Oldershaw, Betty Shaw, Secretary.

Mike Beauchamp, Dick Edmunds, and Bob Bethel discussed the fire department's proposed budget. Since there is a sizable balance in the 1992 budget, selectmen approved the purchase of two new tires for the MI truck, cost \$600, smoke ejector, \$900 and new gear for three men at \$550 each. Six Scott air packs will also be upgraded at a cost of \$550 each. The proposed budget is for \$36,600.

Possible warrants were discussed such as the repairs to the 1974 reel truck. The expected cost is about \$8,800. Bob Bethel believes once the work is done on this vehicle, it should last another ten years.

Mike asked if the department would receive the selectmen's support on the purchase of a new truck in 1993. With everything on a new truck the cost would be about \$105,000. The dealers are willing to have a lease purchase with no interest the first year and 6.9% thereafter. Phil agreed to speak to the dealers.

Mr. Paul Whittemore and Kevin Evans, Forester requested the denial of abatement be reconsidered on property which is owned by Arthur Whittemore. (The current use was calculated on the property without a forest management plan.) All property owners under CUV received letters the week of April 15th requesting updated information on their property by June 30th. A letter mailed June 26 from Mr. Evans, indicated the information would be in by July 15. This was an acceptable date. The plan was not received until October 5th., after the tax rate was set. The Selectmen will assess the property next year under the managed care classification. Selectmen advised Mr. Whittemore that he can appeal their decision to the State Tax and Land Appeals Board. (Since tax payers are subject to inventory penalties when the inventories are returned late, information requested from those under CUV also have to be received in the time specified.) All three members of the BOS agreed to stand by their decision to deny the abatement request.

Peter Beblowski discussed several concerns over the condition of the Clarke property.

Property is non conforming and possible non conforming activities going on.

Once a trailer has not been used for two years it can no longer come under the grandfather umbrella.

of trailers on the property. (The one that was moved to make room for the house is to be sold.)

Length of time the trailer can be left on the property?

Someone using a camper as a dwelling. (Mr. Clarke had told the selectmen he and his wife were living in the camper while construction is going on.)

Was a new septic system installed? (It is believed repairs were made to the existing system and since the new house will not

have more bedrooms than the trailer which was moved, they may not require a new septic.)

Was an intent to cut filed? (No intent to cut was filed for the removal of trees which was necessary for the new construction.)

Earth alterations if over 100,000 square feet would require site specifics.

Several trucks, chipper etc. are on the property which may indicate a business is being operated on the property which is not in keeping with zoning regulation in the district.

Vehicles are parked too close to the road.

Other structures and campers are used to house workers during the summer months.

Peter asked that Selectmen see that structures on the property are not to be used as residential structures.

Several junk trucks and vehicles all over the property .

Possible water and electric lines being ran over the ground. Selectmen will check out Peter's list of concerns to see if there are any ordinances being broken and if so to see the property is brought into compliance. *Peter will be notified when minutes are ready in order for him to verify all concerns are addressed.*

Selectmen joined the Parks & Recreation Meeting to go over their budget request for 1993.

Budget request was the same as last year. Since there is \$2,625 left in this years budget, selectmen approved the purchase of a back stop for \$675, 10x12 shed \$1,275, nylon parachute \$175, asphalt sealer, lining & paint \$240 and 4 picnic tables for the area around the Mill Pond.

Selectmen were asked to consider an increase for the lifeguards this year.

Friends of the Parks and Recreation would like to hire someone to help set up programs and do scheduling. The job would require from ten to fifteen hours a week. The center at the gym is open from 5:00 to 9:00 on Friday and from 12:00 to 9:00 on Saturday.

Clarification on some issues were reviewed. Presently the board consists of nine members. Two have talked about resigning. The board members should discuss any proposed new member before the name is given to the BOS for consideration.

The number of members required on the board will be checked out. A quorum is required for voting and a majority vote of those present carries a motion. Absent members can not vote.

Mike moved to accept the minutes of November 21. Second, Dave. All in favor. So moved.

Intent to cuts were signed for the Elliott, Wallace, Bullard and Uebel properties.

A letter will be mailed to Avitar accepting the amount they have set as a refund on the assessment performed by their company this year.

Selectmen approved an abatement for the barn which collapsed last year on Mrs. Bryer's property. Assessed value \$1,300. Tax of \$55.86 to be refunded if 1992 taxes paid if not abatement to be issued.

The abatement request from Ms. Toussant was denied. No comparables given. Reason for request such as no heat or basement are not valid since the property was assessed as having not having heat or a basement.

Meeting adjourned 9:30

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