

Selectmen's Meeting, Monday, June 21, 1993

Present: Phil Dwight, Chairman, Dave Boule', Tom Davis, Betty Shaw, Secretary.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM.

Brian Brown, police chief, requested executive session to discuss a personnel issue. Dave moved to executive session per RSA 91 A:3c. Second, Tom. All in favor.

Meeting reconvened at 7:20. No information from executive session.

Selectmen and treasurer signed the landfill bond which will be hand delivered to the Bond Bank by Phil tomorrow.

Members of the Parks and Recreation, Friends of Parks and Recreation and Activities Coordinator met to review the proposed policy relative to dances at the Town Gym.

Although dances are scheduled as a service for Antrim youth there is a large attendance from other towns such as Deering, Claremont and Manchester. Attendance varies from 150 to 200.

Selectmen expressed their concern over the damage being done to the gym especially during dances. More control is required.

The number of chaperons required was of concern. If more kids show for a dance than expected and there are not enough chaperons would they have to cancel the dance or not admit the overflow? It was suggested they sell tickets and know how many will be attending. Many parents drop their children off taking it for granted someone will be there to oversee the activities. With the number attending the dances, there should be a minimum of ten chaperons scheduled for each dance. When a dance had been called off in the past, it was difficult to locate parents to pick up their children. The police have on many occasions driven children home after dances when no one showed to pick them up.

If reducing the number of dances to one a month does not eliminate the damage being done, and there is no better control, dances will no longer be held at the Gym.

There was also concern voiced over children being allowed to leave the building once they have entered. They should not be allowed to come and go.

Dave moved to adopt the proposed policy making it effective July 1. Second, Tom. All in favor. So moved.

Other areas of concern when using the gym were mentioned such as access to a phone, the water cooler being broken and no hot water. Selectmen will look into these problems.

Selectmen discussed Jane Jackson's responsibilities as activities coordinator. It appears there was some misunderstanding as to her duties. She is responsible to organize and coordinate scheduling of activities and seek out and schedule volunteers. She is not to man the community center in place of a volunteer. Although Jane will not man the center, her hours were set to overlap when the volunteer is on. If the volunteers do not show up, the center is to be locked up.

After some discussion Jane agreed to hours being set as:

1:00 - 9:00 on Thursday,
10:00 - 5:00 on Friday and
9:00 - 2:00 on Saturday.

Jane expressed her concern over the lack of volunteers. She mentioned a job program which she will look into for volunteers.

Selectmen were made aware of a public phone at Roger's store.

Meeting adjourned 9:00 PM

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