

Selectmen's Meeting, Monday, March 7, 1994

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

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM.

Bob Varnum, Road Agent, discussed his concerns over the warrant to accept the road into the post office. It is not completed as shown in the Planning Board files. Pot holes are showing up, and there is no turn around for plow trucks. Bob can not see accepting a road which is incomplete and in need of repair. When the rear section of the property is under construction, there is bound to be damage to the front portion. Once the road is taken over by the town, the highway department will be responsible for maintenance of the road and sidewalk. Added expense to the town. Phil spoke in favor of taking the town taking it over since it leads to the post office. This will be decided by town vote.

The highway budget was reviewed to determine if it would be necessary to increase it. Bob expected there to be some funds left in the road repair line which he hopes to use to overlay some of the roads. He also want to use the asphalt for sealing roads. After discussing the different line items, it was agreed the selectmen will increase the budget by \$10,000.

Tom voiced his concern over the road crew not taking a half hour off for lunch break each day. Selectmen asked several question relative to the highway department. The normal winter hours for the crew is 7 AM to 3 PM. During the summer they start at 6:00 and end at 2:00. When there is a severe ice storm it is customary for two men to be in a truck. Bob pointed out although there are seven vehicles, some are not used for plowing. The 80 Ford is a two wheel drive with over 100,000 miles on it. He is concerned if it is used for plowing it will not last much longer. The GMC is also two wheel drive. That leaves the two one tons, and the International. The grader and loader are used when needed.

Phil will call Bennington to arrange for gravel to removed from the landfill site. Tom and Bob will go over to stake out Antrim's share.

Mr. Beblowski spoke to Phil about the need for loggers being made aware of possible damage and the need for gravel by Smith Harriman's gravel pits.

Mr. & Mrs. Glines dropped off a CUV application after explaining that he had 10.2 acres and allowing for the driveway and area for the building, he will leave ten acres for CUV. If this is not allowed, he will remove the house and place a trailer on the property for ninety days during the summer months. Selectmen will review the application along with the other CUV applications when the time comes.

Tom moved to accept the minutes. Second Dave. All in favor. So moved.

Selectmen signed the list of abatements.

Selectmen are not interested in software for surveying.

Repairs will start at the gym on Wednesday.

Dave MacArthur will be consulted when assistance is needed by the BOS who will do the pickups.

Selectmen discussed welfare vouchers being issued for use at businesses other than Antrim. All three selectmen agreed that tax payers money should, when possible, remain in Antrim. Jim will be notified that all vouchers are to be for use in Antrim ie. Wayno's for food vouchers in place of a Hillsboro market.

Phil will be attending the law lecture on April 20th.

Bob Flanders, Town Moderator, went over the warrant articles with the BOS.

Meeting adjourned 9:25

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