

Minutes of Selectmens Meeting  
December 30, 1996

Selectmen Present: Peter Moore and Carol Smith

Also present were the following: Phil Dwight, the Water & Sewer Commissioners Ben Pratt & Fernando Barsanti and Secretary Barbara Elia.

The meeting opened at 6 P.M.

The minutes of the December 23rd meeting were approved.

Phil was asked to review the memo from the Town Hall Custodian about possible changes in duties and the potential cost.

Carol reported that Mike had reviewed the corrections made to stop the drainage problem on Contoocook Valley Avenue. It was agreed that enough work had been done to ameliorate the problem so that no further action would be taken at this time. Phil was asked to draft a letter to the parties involved to that effect and indicate that completion of the job would be expected in the spring.

It was agreed that the Blind exemption approved in November 1996 should have been granted for 1996. A refund was authorized.

The specifics of the needed Warrant Article for a Unified Elderly Exemption will be discussed next week.

The Board approved the following change in the Town's Welfare Guidelines "The local welfare administrator is hereby authorized to deem the amount of any qualified state assistance reduction made pursuant to RSA 167:82, VIII as income when determining an applicant's eligibility."

The Board adopted a 1997 Investment policy "that the treasurer and the trustees of trust funds shall have full discretion to invest public funds, using their good faith best judgement within the limits allowed by law."

Phil reported on the winning bid for the logging operation on Town land around Campbell Pond. A copy will be given to the Conservation Commission.

At 7:30 P.M. the Water & Sewer Commissioners met with Selectmen. The discussion concerned coordination of 1997 proposed salary changes. The Commissioners indicated their plans and after discussion the Selectmen agreed to the proposed salary for the individual working in both areas, but decided to make the change for the Town portion on April 1st, to conform with the plan for other Town employees.

There was also a brief discussion about future projects,  
including the future need for sludge removal.

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by Philip T. Dwight.