

Minutes of Selectmens Meeting  
January 6, 1997

Selectmen Present: Peter Moore, Carol Smith and Michael Oldershaw.

Also present were: Phil Dwight, Department Heads, Library Trustees, Debra Thornblad and Boyd Quackenbush.

The meeting opened at 6 P.M.

The minutes of the December 30th meeting were approved.

The following were signed:

1. Yield tax for Mr. Timpson
2. Intent to cut for G.Stacy
3. A letter re: Contoocook Valley Ave. indicating that the work done to redirect the water flow back to its original direction was acceptable until a final review in the spring.

The main business of the meeting was to review budgets with the departments as follows:

Parks & Recreation - by Paula Clemente

A budget was presented with only one major change from last year. There was a request for an increase in the hours of the gym co-ordinator and a change in focus so that the position supervised the sports program of the Town. There was also a request for an upgrade of the bathroom facilities at the Town Beach, work on Shea field for fencing, water and the field itself.

Highway

The only change from the previous budget was to go back to the \$1,700 allotment for mowing. Bob indicated that quality will improve this year.

Fire

No changes were made. The salary proposed for certified fire fighters was approved. A 10 to 20 year projection for new equipment will be prepared and given to the Selectmen as soon as possible.

Police

The discussion centered on the different position on salaries. The Selectmen felt that a 3% C.O.L.A. was all that should be included. Brian asked for merit increases.

Library

The Library Trustees presented their belief that their requested merit increases and increased hours were warranted based on expanded use of the Library. The Selectmen indicated that they would review the requests again.

Each Department Head was given a set of job descriptions for the various positions in their area and were asked to rework them as they felt appropriate and return on January 27th to discuss them.

The meeting adjourned at 10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by Philip T. Dwight.