

Minutes of Selectmens Meeting  
January 20, 1997

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

Also present were: Phil Dwight, Brian Brown and Bob Varnum

The meeting opened at 6 P.M.

Bob Varnum reported briefly on his activities for the past week and plans for the coming week. The major problem was that the sand pile had frozen due to weather conditions. He indicated he needed more sand and would have to buy it as needed. This was approved.

Brian Brown then reported on his activities and indicated the training available for his men. He then indicated his strong disapproval of the decision of the Board not to grant the requested 4% merit increases he had requested. This was discussed at length.

At 7 P.M. various individuals (see attendance) <sup>\*(over)</sup> gathered to talk about the proposed change in the position of gym co-ordinator. After some discussion they were requested to meet separately and come back on February 3rd with a specific proposal and job description.

The minutes of January 13th were approved and a letter to Brian Beihl signed.

There was a general discussion of the outstanding issues to be resolved to complete the proposed budget, involving Reserves & Warrant Articles.

Highway & Fire reserves will be discussed on January 27th and issues involving the Aiken Building will be discussed February 3rd. Peter will call Keith DuBois. It was noted that the Aiken Committee will meet January 29th.

Phil reported on the meeting with the representatives from Chicago Cutlery, Ray Kulla and the real estate agents. A resolution relative to the disposition of the building may be found soon.

It was agreed that the Elderly Exemption ballot will be on the warrant. Exemption amounts to stay the same as well as the asset level. Due to the inclusion of Social Security benefits in the income limit these will be raised to \$17,500 single and \$21,500 married.

Peter's draft of the Selectmen's letter for the Town Report was reviewed. Changes will be turned in by Wednesday.

Phil reported on the Handicapped Entrance to be built next door  
and also on the Water & Sewer rate increase.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by Philip T. Dwight.

\* ATTENDANCE  
Paul Clemente  
Barbara Nichols  
HARRY BARK  
JANE WATKINS  
Craig Seavey  
Pat MAYNARD  
MAR LIZZOTTE