

Minutes of the Selectmens Meeting
March 17, 1997

Selectmen Present: Peter Moore, Carol Smith and Philip Dwight.

The following were approved or signed:

MS-2 Report of Appropriations
Elderly Exemption - Cook
Two Yield Tax Warrants

The receipt of the Town's equalized ratio of 104 for 1996 was noted. Phil reported on his conversation with Mr. Petrell of the D.R.A. about the Town's C.O.D. It was agreed to have the D.R.A. do the 1997 pick-ups instead of Cole-Layer, and to seek their advice about reviewing the Town's assessed values.

Phil reported on his conversation about possibly settling the Davidson assessment appeal. It was agreed that the valuation was proper and the case would be pursued.

The action at Town Meeting to appoint a five member committee for the Town Hall renovation committee was noted. It was agreed that Phil would contact the following to see if they would serve; Mary Allen, Bill Nichols, Bob Allison, and Nina Harding. Phil agreed to be the fifth.

With regard to the CDBG feasibility study, Bob Bernstein will be requested to meet with the Selectmen next week.

A letter will be sent to the Aiken House Committee about proceeding with the work authorized at Town Meeting.

Rich Solito was appointed to the Parks & Recreation Committee and Linda Bryer reappointed to the Conservation Committee. Carol agreed to be the Selectmen's representative to the Planning Board. Contacts will be made to seek candidates for the Z.B.A.

Bill Lang is to be asked about less expensive ways to provide a demolition container.

The four 1996 abatement requests were reviewed.
Bracebridge - value reduced from \$14,000 to \$7,000
Stacy - value reduced from \$52,400 to \$37,700
Blanchard - request denied
Olsen - no decision

Phil was asked to check with Bart Mayer about options available relative to past due taxes.

Phil was asked to buy a wireless phone for A.R.T.S.

The meeting adjourned at 8 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by Philip T. Dwight