

**Enfield Board of Selectmen
Enfield, New Hampshire**

MINUTES of March 3, 2003

Board of Selectmen: Donald J. Crate, Sr., Chairman; Ilene P. Reed; Keith Oppenneer

Administrative Staff: April Whittaker, Town Manager; Alisa D. Bonnette, Secretary

Others: Dominic Albanese; Nancy Smith, Enfield Village Association; David Beaufait, Moderator; Wayne Claflin, Tim Jennings, Jim Martel, Alice Taylor, Karen Taylor, Craig Daniels, Sewer Sub-Committee members; Ken Daniels, Director of Public Works; Mary Murray, Connecticut Valley Spectator

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Crate called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Oppenneer moved to accept the minutes of February 3, 2003 as prepared; Mrs. Reed seconded, vote unanimous.

Mr. Oppenneer moved to accept the minutes of February 24, 2003 as prepared; Mrs. Reed seconded, vote unanimous.

PUBLIC APPOINTMENTS

Sewer Sub-Committee:

Mr. Crate read the committee charge to the Sewer Sub-Committee members.

Mrs. Whittaker has spoken with Ken McWilliams of the Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission and has secured his services. A date for the Sub-Committee to meet with Mr. McWilliams was set for March 24, 2003 at 6:00pm at Whitney Hall.

Packets will be put together for the Sub-Committee including the following items: Zoning Ordinance, applicable chapter regarding sewer in the 1995 Master Plan, map of Enfield, Right to Know Law, archived applicable sewer records regarding past recommendations, existing sewer line map, User Charge Ordinance, Inter Municipal Agreement between the Town of Enfield and the City of Lebanon, map of existing water system and capacity, and a technical description of the system.

Mrs. Whittaker explained that there is a petitioned article on the warrant to establish a sewer commission. The article is poorly worded and will need to be amended on the Town Meeting floor in order to accomplish what appears to have been intended. Mrs. Whittaker assumes that if a separate sewer commission is created that the commission will embrace the Sewer Sub-Committee findings.

The Sewer Sub-Committee will also meet on Friday, March 7, 2003 at 6:00 pm. at the Public Works Facility.

Mrs. Whittaker fully supports Tim Jennings's suggestion to come up with a Sewer Sub-Committee statement for Town Meeting.

Nancy Smith, Enfield Village Association (EVA):

Mrs. Smith came before the Board to provide them with an update on what EVA is doing. The last time Mrs. Smith was in she requested support from the Board of Selectmen for a Farmers Market. So far, 25 farmers and craftspeople were invited to participate. The Farmers Market will take place Wednesday nights from 3:00 – 6:00 pm, at Huse Park, July 1 to October 1. The schedule has been worked out with the Recreation Commission.

EVA has begun to hold quarterly business owners meetings. There was a good turnout at the last meeting ~ 42 people. Mrs. Whittaker suggested having the Selectmen attend for a state of the union address.

EVA has discussed erecting message boards around town, some on town property. Mrs. Whittaker asked Mrs. Smith to come in with the design for the Selectmen's approval.

Mrs. Smith reported that EVA is moving from an annual plan to a 24-month plan. Next Monday night at 5:30 pm they will meet at the Public Works Facility for a planning session.

EVA will hold its annual town clean up in May.

Mrs. Smith explained that EVA has received a grant from the Mascoma Foundation and will be cleaning up the 78 Main Street property. They want to clean up the property and turn it into a park. They will be looking to a professional in shoreline protection for assistance.

Economic revitalization efforts have been hampered by the bridge construction. EVA has had to put some things off for a year.

Mrs. Whittaker stated that the Shaker Bridge is slated for replacement in 2007. She will be asking the State to remove the motel and the weeds now, rather than wait for the bridge replacement.

EVA will also be taking a look at town ordinances to see where they don't match up. Mrs. Whittaker suggested that the UVLSRPC could assist them.

David Beaufait, Moderator ~ Town Meeting:

Dr. Beaufait came before the Board to discuss town meeting. Mrs. Whittaker has a PowerPoint presentation prepared and transparencies of amended articles will be prepared at town meeting as in the past.

Dr. Beaufait will be provided copies of the petitions for the petitioned warrant articles. He intends to call on the first petitioner to speak toward the article at town meeting.

Articles 5 through 21 were discussed.

Article 5 will require amendment to \$177,000. Carol Felix will be asked to address this article regarding the canceling of indebtedness of the Sewer Fund.

If Article 5 passes as amended, the Board of Selectmen will want to amend Article 6 (the operating budget) by \$47,000. The Budget Committee will likely want to amend the article by a further \$18,190, which represents the amount they cut from the Selectmen's budget. The Selectmen's budget is represented in Article 6.

Because of the 10% rule, Article 7 will require amendment to a phased in project. If the amendment doesn't pass, Mr. Crate will make a further amendment for a smaller salt/sand storage building.

Henry Cross will be asked to speak about Article 9 regarding the Veterans Memorial Park Trust Fund.

Richard Crate will be called upon to address Article 18 regarding a sewer commission, Dwight Marchetti will be called upon to address Article 19 regarding a pick up truck for the Fire Department, and Nancy Scovner will be called upon to address Article 20 regarding the Health Care for New Hampshire Resolution.

Mrs. Whittaker has a number of people that she would like recognized at Town Meeting. It was decided that this should be done before the meeting. Mrs. Whittaker also suggested announcing where the exits are so people will know in the event of an emergency.

The following will be needed for Town Meeting: Transparencies of Tuesday election results, dated voter cards, yes/no ballots, a couple of voting booths, ballot box, extra microphone with table stand, copy of the law regarding reconsideration, copy of last year's information regarding precedence of motions, voting signs, etc.

ADMINISTRATIVE**Emergency Management Director Appointment:**

The Board of Selectmen appointed Peter H. Giese as Emergency Management Director for a one-year period.

CITIZENS FORUM

No citizens were present.

OLD BUSINESS ~ TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

Mrs. Whittaker had no report at this time.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Housing, History, and Haystacks ~ Discussion Session

Town of Enfield Hazard Mitigation Plan prepared by UVLSRPC ~ October 2002. Mr. Oppenheer moved to adopt the Enfield Hazard Mitigation Plan as presented; Mrs. Reed seconded, vote unanimous.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Oppenheer moved to adjourn at 7:14 pm.; Mr. Crate seconded, vote unanimous.