

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

MINUTES of February 19, 2002

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

Administrative Staff: Stephen B. Griffin, Assistant Town Manager; Alisa D. Bonnette,
Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Oppenneer called the meeting to order at 5:35 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Oppenneer moved to approve the minutes of February 5, 2002 as prepared; Mr. Crate seconded, vote unanimous.

BUSINESS

Marsh sign:

Cecilia Aufiero was unable to attend this meeting. Mr. Oppenneer stated that as a general rule the town should not name properties for living people. Mr. Crate has no problem with naming town properties for living people so they know there's gratitude for what they've done for the town. Mr. Griffin noted that the main thing is that the Board of Selectmen names properties, not other town bodies.

Project List:

The Board reviewed a list of projects from 2001 and their status: [DPW equipment] wording is confusing; [Cemetery software] has been purchased; [Road maintenance] some sections were not completed due to budget limitations; [Community signage] the proposed locations of the signs will be marked on a map; [Junkyards] Jim Taylor will be asked for an update; [Surplus vehicles] Mr. Oppenneer asked how we dispose of old fire vehicles; the Budget Committee is concerned about too many vehicles; [Inspection report] Mr. Oppenneer would like a report of the number of inspections/site visits made by Jim Taylor and Howard Adams; [Route 4 sewer extension] The grant not applied for. Without Anne's Place going into the Silva-Ray location there would be insufficient low-mod income households to qualify for the grant. Mr. Crate feels the sewer extension should be pursued by other means for wellhead protection and to draw industry to Enfield.

Selectmen's 2001-2002 Goals:

Mr. Oppenneer is reasonably pleased with the goals as presented. Mr. Griffin noted that for this year the town needs to focus on solid waste and Route 4 sewer. Mr. Oppenneer also wants Ken Daniels to implement the road study.

A new list of goals will be prepared for 2002-2003.

Private Road Name Signs:

A proposed policy for the installation and replacement of private road name signs was considered. Currently, the initial sign is purchased and installed by the town and subsequent signs are purchased and installed by the road owner. The proposed policy, as amended by the Board of Selectmen, states that "the town will purchase and install a first road name sign for a private road; the town will purchase and install all replacement road name signs when the original is lost, defaced or stolen; and the town will bill the road owner for purchase of all replacement road name signs." Installation costs will not be charged.

Independent Property Management Easement:

The town has requested an easement on property owned by Independent Property Management (IPM) in order to construct a municipal parking lot on Main Street and to allow public access from the parking area to the Rail Trail. IPM agreed to grant the easement provided the Selectmen limit parking on the street in front of the Laundromat to 2 hours and they give the owners of property located at tax map 14, lot 12, the right of first refusal should the town ever sell map 14, lot 6.

Mr. Crate is reluctant to give a right of first refusal because this might be put the town in the same position it was just in with William Field where many years after the initial agreement the agreement no longer appears to be in the best interests of the town.

Main Street Design Process:

Mr. Griffin encouraged setting up a spring or early summer meeting with Dan Burden now, so it is in the works before Town Meeting. Should MRI continue on with the town after town meeting the hours spent by Mr. Burden would count as part of the hours provided under the MRI contract. If, after town meeting, MRI were no longer with the town there would be a charge for Mr. Burden's services. Mr. Crate and Mr. Oppenneer agreed that Mr. Griffin should make the necessary arrangements provided Ilene Reed is also in approval.

Other Business:

The Board of Selectmen reviewed and approved the warrant for the 2002 town meeting and yield tax warrants and abatements.

The Board approved use of the Whitney Hall Auditorium by a small private group for afternoon yoga sessions with the understanding that the town reserves the right to take the space with needed. The Board also agreed to waive the usual rental fee.

CITIZENS FORUM

No citizens were present.

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

Selectmen's Concerns:

Mr. Oppeneer is aware that the NH Dept. of Environmental Services is doing a source water assessment for all water supplies. The Board of Selectmen want to stay informed of potential costs to the town.

Mr. Crate called a week ago and asked for half of his Selectmen's salary. Mr. Griffin requested Selectmen's approval before payment is made since it is before town meeting. Mr. Oppeneer noted that there is little risk to the town involved. By consensus, Mr. Crate may receive half of his Selectmen's salary now.

Peggy Vincent asked for permission to use Whitney Hall on a weekly basis for an informal group gathering to do yoga. The Board approved use of the hall for this purpose but reserves the right to take the space when needed for town business. The Board also agreed to waive the usual \$50/event fee.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS/CORRESPONDENCE

Enfield FAST Squad note re: Thank you.

James Taylor letter of 2/8/02 re: Fitzgerald Drive.

ATM letter of 2/8/02 re: Truman resignation.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Oppeneer moved to adjourn at 6:40pm; Mr. Crate seconded, vote unanimous.