

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

Regular Meeting

Date: 7 February 2000

Time: 5:30 pm.

MINUTES

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

Administrative Staff: Mitch Manseau, Assistant Town Manager;
Alisa D. Bonnette, Secretary

Others: Executive Councilor Raymond Burton, Bob Pollard, Senator Clifton Below, Jason Rasmussen of Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Council, Don Roberts, Representative David Hall, Dave McIntire

I. Call to Order

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

II. Approval of Minutes

A. Mr. Oppenneer moved to accept the minutes of 24 January 2000 as prepared; Mrs. Reed seconded, vote unanimous.

III. Business

A. Mrs. Reed read a letter from NH Dept. of Transportation Commissioner Leon Kenison regarding an I-89 Park & Ride in the Upper Valley area. Mr. Kenison states that the department does not have even a preliminary plan for demonstration thus is not prepared to brief or respond to inquiry. Therefore, no one from his agency will be attending the Selectmen's meeting.

Exec. Councilor Ray Burton explained that the issue got started when some individuals, including Exec. Councilor Ray Burton and Senator Below, heard something about the Department of Transportation (DOT) trying to buy property on Stoney Brook Road for a Park & Ride. Councilman Burton and Senator Below spoke with residents on Stoney Brook Road and when leaving found turning left from Stoney Brook Road to be dangerous. Obviously this is not a good location for a Park & Ride. Councilman Burton and Senator Below asked DOT to look all the way up and down I-89 for locations for Park & Rides. Local

and statewide impacts need to be researched. Councilman Burton will forward information to the Town of Enfield as soon as it's available.

Senator Below asked DOT if they had looked at Exit 16. Senator Below has met people at Exit 16 to carpool to Concord on a number of occasions. Any location that is chosen must be very convenient for people or they will not carpool. Exit 16 offers convenience stores that offer food, gas and a pay phone. Senator Below believes these convenience stores are open 24 hours. One location at Exit 16 that Senator Below had suggested is very visible. The Mobil Station and DOT office both have a direct line of site to the location. Maybe an arrangement to have the closest entity to respond to problems at the Park & Ride can be made.

Chief Giese stated that the catalyst was a story that ran in the Valley News on January 31. Chief Giese feels Enfield should be kept informed so town officials can participate in the planning process. Exit 16 is remote from the Enfield Police Station. Enfield may have to split patrols.

Mr. Oppeneer noted that there was a Regional Transportation Plan published in the Valley News a couple of years ago. Because we have 3 or 4 locations in mind, do we really know where the best location is?

Mr. Crate noted that the town is already experiencing problems on Eastman Hill Road where traffic is entering and exiting Evans Fuel Mart. Additional traffic could create a greater problem.

Mrs. Reed noted that it would be helpful to have a Park & Ride on Route 4 for traffic going to the hospital in Lebanon.

IV. Citizens Forum

- A. Bob Pollard, on behalf of the Enfield Fire Department, requested authorization to use the Chouinard building for fire department training. No burning would be done; only non-toxic smoke would be used. The Board approved this request by consensus.
- B. Don Roberts asked what the cut-off is on the railing and lighting designs for the Main Street bridge replacements. Mitch Manseau will look into this and get back to him.

V. Business continued

- A. The Board approved, by consensus, a proposed multi-family dwelling inspection program. The purpose of the program is to ensure that tenants of multiple-family apartment units are provided with safe and sanitary rental housing. The inspections will focus on the provision of smoke detectors, means of emergency exit and isolation of heating units. There are about 40 multi-family dwellings and the inspections will be scheduled over a period of five years.

- B. It is believed that a minimal amount of refurbishing to the May Street Garage is essential for personnel safety and the preservation of parts and equipment. Because this building will not be replaced in 2000 and no other area is available for this function, this minimal amount of structural and electrical work is recommended. By consensus, the Board approved the expenditure of approximately \$4300 in materials and \$5500 in labor to do these minimal repairs.

Mr. Manseau will review the facility plan that was developed by the Facility Study Committee a few years ago. He and Ken Daniels will take a look at town properties and prepare a proposed long-range plan for the Department of Public Works.

Chief Giese mentioned the need for more improvement in the Town Offices, more space for the library and more meeting rooms. The lighting and wiring in the auditorium also needs attention.

- C. The Board considered a request for curbside solid waste collection on Fitzgerald Drive. The cost to add the additional 11 stops is \$845.91 per year. Mr. Crate moved to begin curbside rubbish pickup on Fitzgerald Drive; Mr. Oppeneer seconded; vote unanimous.
- D. Bill Warren has inquired as to whether Enfield has any interest in the parcels described as tax maps and lots 35-11 and 36-16. Mr. Warren is aware that any sale must be contingent upon town meeting approval. This question will be posed to the Conservation Commission, Planning Board and Recreation Commission.

VI. Town Manager's Report

- A. Mr. Manseau reported that David Beaufait is withdrawing from consideration as Assistant School Moderator.
- B. The Board signed a letter in support of the Enfield Shaker Museum's application to the Upper Valley Community Foundation for grant funds to produce a tour guide that would highlight Shaker buildings moved into downtown Enfield, as well as the Shaker's mills and other manufacturing enterprises.
- C. The Board discussed the proposed publication of a guide to recreational opportunities that would include information as to the existence and location of properties that receive a Current Use recreational adjustment.

Mrs. Reed noted that some people don't like the idea of having this information published. Some of these property owners are concerned about potential liability. She was informed that an RSA covers this.

Mr. Oppeneer acknowledge that some of these property owners want the tax break and not what goes with it. Practically speaking this will probably affect few people. He recommended the Board just wait and see what kind of response the Town gets to its letter of notification.

- D. The Board responded to a letter from Mrs. Larry Grace relative to her dissatisfaction with her new Enhanced 911 address. The Board's response explains the requirement that the town change any duplicate or duplicate sounding road names, as well as to add missing names and requests that, in an emergency, she not confuse the emergency dispatcher with a name that will not show on their maps.
- E. The Board approved the minutes of the 18 January 2000 public hearing.
- F. Mr. Crate asked about the status of the surplus International truck. It was explained that an ad will be run shortly and those that have previously bid will be asked to resubmit a bid.
- G. Mr. Crate asked that Ken Daniels be informed of prior building inspections done by the town's insurance companies so he can be sure the necessary corrections are made.

VII. Informational Items/Correspondence

- A. Irene E. Prior note of 2/1/00, RE: Thank you
- B. Jane Brant ltr of 2/2/00, RE: Compliment of Howard Adams
- C. Enfield Community Gardeners ltr of 2/3/00, RE: Huse Park water connection
- D. ATM ltr of 1/31/00, RE: State provision of generators

VIII. Adjournment

- A. Mr. Oppenneer moved to adjourn at 7:15 pm.; Mr. Crate seconded, vote unanimous.