

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

Regular Meeting

Date: 3 April 2000

Time: 5:30 pm.

MINUTES

Board of Selectmen: Donald J. Crate, Sr., Keith Oppenneer
Ilene P. Reed—absent due to illness

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

Others: Ken Daniels, Director of Public Works; Ken Wheeler, Enfield-Mascoma Lions Club; Ken Loupis, George's Super Value

I. Call to Order

A. Mr. Crate called the meeting to order at 5:58 pm.

II. Business

A. Mr. Crate moved to appoint Ilene Reed as Chairman; Mr. Oppenneer seconded, vote unanimous.

B. The Board reviewed proposed Community Center site plans. The Lions Club Building Committee has voted for the plan that places the Community Center building closer to the church. They thought it would be better suited for parking drainage and to keep the building away from the children's area. The primary entrance to the parking area would be onto Main Street.

Mr. Crate is concerned about visibility from a drive that fronts on Route 4. He is strongly opposed to the plan that puts the Community Center building closer to the corner.

While Mr. Oppenneer would prefer the plan with more parking, he thinks traffic issues necessitate using the Main Street access.

Mr. Manseau pointed out that if the building goes closer to the church a sewer line would need to be relocated.

A hydrant will be installed next to the church on April 18th beginning at 9pm.

Demolition of the old building was discussed briefly. Following salvage of the building, town forces will do the demolition.

A final decision on the site plan will be postponed until Ilene Reed returns.

The Lions Club has looked at three elevator options. They've chosen the middle of the road at a cost of approximately \$18,000.

A few points that should be included in an agreement between the Town and the Lions Club were reviewed. A time limit was proposed for the Lions Club to have exclusive access to a portion of the building. No time limit had been previously discussed. Mr. Crate suggested that the Lions Club be allowed exclusive use of a portion of the building as long as the club is active, with no transferable rights. The Lions Club and Town Attorney will review it before action is taken.

- C. The Board discussed a request for a hardship abatement of a current use penalty. Mr. Oppeneer moved to abate the balance of the current use penalty with the proviso that the applicant pays \$800 of the total currently due; Mr. Crate seconded, vote unanimous.
- D. The Board reviewed and approved the following documents: yield tax warrant, MS-2 Statement of Appropriations, Emergency Management Plan Concurrence, excavation tax warrant, and land use change tax, fireworks permit for Georges Super Value.

III. Citizens Forum

- A. No citizens were present.

IV. Town Manager's Report

- A. The Town is complying with State requirements for a Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasure Plan. Work will be scheduled as soon as possible to contain potential fuel spills at Highway tanks.
- B. The Board received a list of projects planned by the Department of Public Works during the year 2000. The staff is trying to figure out the best way to get the word out about major road construction. There is also a need to strongly encourage recycling. Mr. Daniels explained that the Town's goal, to avoid increased tipping fees, is diversion of 40% of the Town's solid waste tonnage from the landfill. The Town is currently recycling just 18% of its solid waste. Some towns have attained a 56% recycling rate after implementation of a pay-as-you-throw program. Public Works is trying an experiment with the transfer station staff sorting tin and aluminum cans. Sorted cans command greater market prices. A newsletter is also being considered for inclusion with the property tax bills at the end of May.

- C. Mr. Oppeneer asked how the Road Maintenance Plan coincides with the year 2000 project plan. Mr. Daniels explained that the Road Maintenance Plan is based on degradation of roads. It takes into account traffic volumes, flow and current road conditions. What is lacking now is inventory. Getting utilities up-- signs, open drainage, closed drainage, etc.
- D. Following the public hearing held on March 20th considering amendments to pole licenses relative to property tax liability, the Board asked for the total amount the town itself pays for electricity, excluding streetlights. The Town's electric costs amounted to just over \$26,000 in 1999.
- E. Mr. Manseau and Mr. Daniels have toured highway garages in Hanover, Springfield and Warner to look at their building designs and space requirements. There are a lot of efficiencies that can be found by having all of the public works functions in one location. They are defining Highway, Water & Sewer and Grounds space requirements.
- F. Mr. Crate asked if the formula for vacation time accrual was changed in the Town's personnel policy. If so, this should be rectified. Personnel and morale issues were discussed briefly.

V. Informational Items

- A. Board and Committee memberships are due for reappointment May 1.

VI. Adjournment

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