Enfield Board of Selectmen Enfield, New Hampshire

MINUTES of May 15, 2000

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

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

Secretary

Others: Ken Hill

CALL TO ORDER

Mrs. Reed called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

BUSINESS

Committee Appointments

The Board discussed committee appointments to the Conservation Commission and Planning Board and the requirements for a quorum on each board. An application for appointment to any town board was received from Gary Gaudette.

Two members on the Conservation Commissions have terms that are expired; there is one vacancy. Two regular members and one alternate member on the Planning Board have terms that are expired. Members whose terms have expired continue to serve until they are reappointed or until another person is appointed in their stead.

Mr. Crate moved to appoint Gary Gaudette to the vacant position and Kit Emery as an alternate member on the Conservation Commission; Mr. Oppenneer seconded, vote unanimous.

Mr. Crate moved to reappoint Leafie Cantlin and Suzanne Laliberte to the Planning Board; Mrs. Reed seconded, vote unanimous.

The Board chose not to reappoint Gerry Stark as an alternate on the Planning Board due to Mr. Stark's lack of interest.

Mr. Crate moved to reappoint Alan Strickland to the Conservation Commission; Mrs. Reed seconded.

It was the consensus of the Board not to reappoint Jim Gerding to the Conservation Commission at this time. Mr. Gerding will continue to serve on the Conservation Commission until the Selectmen either reappoint him or appoint another individual in his stead.

Class VI Road Names

Upon adoption of the Enhanced 911 road names a driveway that serves 2 or more residences, just west of Lakeview Auto Sales at Tax Map 15, Lot 10-5, was named Cummings Road. In order to avoid confusion, the Class VI Road just a short distance to the east, once known as Cummings Road and Old West Farms Road will now be called Lindopp Lane.

The old Blood Road now consists of three sections. The section off Lockehaven Road continues to be named Blood Road. The section off the west side of Potato Road is now named Tucker Lane. The section to the east of Potato Road is Class VI for about 1600 feet and discontinued from that point to the town line. The Class VI portion was not renamed when the Enhanced 911 street names were adopted, but will now be called Goss Lane.

Other Business

The Board reviewed and approved the yield tax warrants, property tax refund for the Craig/Shannon property that was deeded to the town for non-payment of taxes.

The Milton and Sylvia Farewell property is also up for deeding. A letter will be sent to them informing them that if the Selectmen accept the deed to their property they will need to vacate the property.

CITIZENS FORUM

Enfield Community Center

The Selectmen considered the Planning Board vote of May 10th to recommend to the Board of Selectmen that the community center building be located where the Chouinard home now stands.

Ken Hill expressed concern that the Planning Board recommendation does not leave sufficient room for parking if the community center is used for senior dinners in the future. Reduced parking might also result in lower attendance at town meetings if they are held in the community center building. Mr. Hill explained to the Selectmen that the Lions Club would be meeting on May 17th and will hold a vote for or against continuing with the community center project. The Selectmen have added a lot of expense to the project. Originally, the plan was for a slab instead of a full foundation. With use of a basement and elevator, at a cost of about \$20,000 is needed. With the building placed where the Planning Board wants it, tree roots would probably be cut, killing the trees.

Mr. Oppenneer moved to reaffirm the Selectmen's decision of two meetings ago and to comply with setback requirements, with consideration of the parking lot to be done later. There was no second.

Mr. Crate stated that to make the lot work some trees would have to be lost. He had also heard that the building inspector was requiring plans stamped by an electrician.

Mr. Hill explained that it is unlikely that someone who is doing the plan for free will want to stamp them.

The Board continued to discuss various options and the feelings of the Lions Club. A number of members of the Club are upset by the turn of events.

Mr. Oppenneer moved to abide by the original decision to locate the community center building 20 feet from the property line shared with the Methodist Church and to study the parking design with a decision about the parking lot, trees and entry to be made at a later date; Mrs. Reed seconded, vote unanimous.

Ken Daniels, Director of Public Works, can work with Paul Mirski to establish the elevations for the building, and will stake it out for the Lions Club.

Mr. Oppenneer left the meeting at 7:10 pm.

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

Kurt Gotthardt letter of 5/8/00 regarding Conservation land purchase

Kurt Gotthardt expressed concern about the legality of the hearing and vote at the Conservation Commission meeting of May 4, because the term for two members, Alan Strickland and Jim Gerding, had expired May 1. Stephen Griffin contacted the town's attorney and Mr. Strickland and Mr. Gerding remain in their positions until reappointed or someone is appointed in their stead. Therefore, the hearing and vote at the May 4th meeting was legal.

One of Mr. Gerding's relatives owns the land next to the parcel the Conservation Commission was considering for purchase. Mr. Gerding is aware that he has a conflict of interest and will recommend the Conservation Commission acknowledge this and ratify the decision to purchase the property.

Resignation

Scott Clang has resigned from his position as Water/Sewer Operator, effective May 26. Advertising to fill his position will begin as soon as possible.

Sargent Street Sewer Extension

The cost to extend the municipal sewer up Sargent Street is estimated at \$116,000. This estimate does not take ledge into account. Mr. Crate stated that there is ledge there.

Town Hall Lighting Fixtures

The power company encourages us to install more efficient light fixtures. For \$770 they will replace the lights and ballasts. This cost should be recouped within a year. Mr. Crate would like it confirmed that the new fixtures would not reduce the amount of light. Mrs. Reed would like the lighting improved in the Auditorium as well. Mr. Griffin will look into having this included if the price is right.

Community Center

Mr. Crate moved to waive the building permit fee and permit requirements for the community center building; Mrs. Reed seconded, vote unanimous. The Building Inspector will inspect the work that is done.

Air Conditioner Purchase

The Police Department requested an air conditioner for the Police Facility. There were no funds budgeted for this expense. A hole will have to be made in the wall of the building in order to install an air conditioner in this room. It was the consensus of the Board that if Chief Giese can find the funds within the Police Department operations budget, without going over-budget, an air conditioner can be purchased.

Petition Relative to Trees

The Board of Selectmen received a petition requesting that the trees along the boundary of the Chouinard/Perkins property and Huse Park not be removed.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS/CORRESPONDENCE

Conservation Commission memo of 5/9/00 re: Warren parcels.

Joan R. Fishman letter of thanks.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Crate moved to adjourn at 7:30 pm.; Mrs. Reed seconded, vote unanimous.