

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

MINUTES of August 7, 2000

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

Administrative Staff: Mitch Manseau, Assistant Town Manager

CALL TO ORDER

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Oppenneer moved to approve the minutes of 17 July 2000 as printed; Mr. Crate seconded; Mrs. Reed abstained.

BUSINESS

Highway Superintendent Position

The Town Manager reviewed the applications received. Three were from in-house and three were from various locations throughout southern New Hampshire. The Town Manager determined there would be no significant advantage with going outside to hire for this position and therefore plans to promote from within.

The Board of Selectmen recommends Mike Souza be appointed to the position and receive a pay raise.

Mr. Crate heard Mr. Daniels planned to swap pickups with the Superintendent's; Mr. Crate doesn't want that to happen.

Lower Shaker Village Water System

The Board reviewed a memo from Mr. Griffin, Assistant Town Manager, in which he states, "There has been discussion for several years relative to taking over the Lower Shaker Village (LSV) water system for the benefits of reported well capacity. This benefit would be balanced against any needed capital costs and anticipated operating costs. This system transfer has also been the expressed desire of the LSV Community Association for assumed efficiencies in cost and operations." Mr. Griffin recommended (1) testing for water quality in October 2000; (2) if the water is of sufficient quality and the Water Commissioners (Board of Selectmen) are comfortable with the potential scope of any water treatment implications, budgeting for a study to determine the wells' maximum yields; (3) once yield and quality are known to be sufficient

and acceptable, the Town consult with NHDES regarding operation as a stand alone water system so as not to put the existing water system quality record in jeopardy; (4) if circumstances with NHDES and EPA can be agreed upon and if issues and costs are acceptable to the Water Commissioners, the issue would be put forward at the 2002 Town Meeting; (5) following acceptance the two systems would be operated for a two-year period as two separate systems so that the costs, liabilities and water rates would remain with their current users; (6) following this two-year period, the Commissioners would plan and budget (2004) for connecting the two systems.

The Commissioners (Board of Selectmen) concurred and the plan will be shared with the Lower Shaker Village Community Association.

Response to Maynard Inquiry

The Board of Selectmen signed a letter in reponse to an inquiry from Casey Maynard regarding several issues, including the appearance of the Hart property on Fuller Road, sale of property on Fuller Road, Class VI status of Fuller Road, plastic bag recycling idea, tax maps and the town web site, and the possibility of a covered bridge in Enfield.

6/1/99 Petition and Pole License

Tabled.

Pamela Hunt Resignation from Conservation Commission

Mr. Crate moved to thank Pamela Hunt for her service and appointed Kit Emery to replace Pamela Hunt on the Conservation Commission; Mr. Oppeneer seconded; vote unanimous.

Conservation Commission Property Purchase

The Selectmen received notification that the Conservation Commission has completed its purchase of the Hamilton property on Canaan Road, formerly known as Mud Pond Road, and the property has been recorded in the Town's name.

E-911 Addressing Agreement

The Board reviewed and approved an E-911 Addressing Agreement with the State of NH Bureau of Emergency Management. This agreement includes some revisions to the Road Layer Map and Address Map as requested by the Town.

Yield Tax Warrant

The Board reviewed and approved a Yield Tax Warrant.

CITIZENS FORUM

There were no citizens in attendance.

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

Status of Tax Collection

Mr. Manseau reported \$2,543,957. 74 in taxes collected thus far, of \$2,985,016.59 billed; ahead of last year's collections at same date.

Education Costs

Mr. Oppeneer informed that Enfield's educations costs were up 4%, but that State reimbursement would be greater than that.

Old Business List

The Board of Selectmen want item #119 (Build-Out Study) to kept open until the study is received.

Pillsbury St. Project

Mr. Manseau reported that the Pillsbury St. project will use State Revolving Loan Water and highway construction funds.

Enfield Village Association Correspondence

The Board received a letter from the Enfield Village Association. In response the Board stated that the State owns Main Street, the Town does not do crosswalks and speed limits on State Roads. It would be difficult to regulate truck traffic, which would normally prefer Shaker Hill or Rte 4 over Main Street in any case. The Board of Selectmen will wait for the reality to emerge to determine what action the changes will require.

MIOX Wastewater Odor Control System

The Board received a memo from Ken Daniels, Director of Public Works, recommending return of the MIOX wastewater odor control system because it has not performed as hoped. MIOX will return 75% of the expenses the town has put into the system. The Board concurred.

Culvert Maintenance

The Board received a memo from Mr. Daniels regarding the maintenance of culverts outside of the public right-of-way (ROW). The Board of Selectmen reaffirms historic policy for driveway culverts within the Town ROW: the owner installs the initial culvert; the Town maintains it afterward. The commonly accepted definition of ROW will be used.

Capital Improvements Program

Mr. Oppeneer proposed tabling the CIP until the next meeting because he has not had time to study it; Mr. Crate and Mrs. Reed concurred.

Selectmen's Concerns

Mrs. Reed reported that Robert Packard of Flanders Street was concerned about speeding there. Discussion that 25MPH is appropriate but that during school people would speed through Flanders to bypass the school. The Assistant Town Managers will have the Police Department aggressively enforce this when school resumes.

Town Attorney's Bill

Mr. Oppenneer wants his letter that accompanied his repayment of the Town Attorney's bill to be part of the official minutes. This relates to expenses incurred for review of an employment contract for Mr. Oppenneer. (A copy of the letter is attached to these minutes as requested.)

Sidewalk Obstruction

A citizen objects to going around AT&T crew's equipment parked over sidewalk near Shaker Bridge overpass. The Assistant Town Manager will advise the crew to not obstruct the sidewalk; there is plenty of room to park elsewhere.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS/CORRESPONDENCE

Adelphia letter re: a station being off the air temporarily

Enfield Shaker Museum letter of 7/19/00, RE: Grant for guide to Shaker related structures downtown.

NHMA undated memo, re: Bernie Waugh resignation.

NHMA memo re: Legislative Police Process – Important Updates

ADJOURNMENT

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

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July 19, 2000

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RE: Upton, Sanders & Smith Invoice

Pursuant to my promise made at the Selectboard meeting of July 5, 2000, I am herewith submitting my personal check in the amount of \$250.00. Even though ATM Steve Griffin had computed a figure of \$196.00 there may be some doubt as to how much time was devoted to me where the attorney's invoice listed several actions during the same time period. Thus, to avoid any possibility of not paying my fair share I have increased the payment to the town.

I wish to take this opportunity to sincerely apologize to my fellow selectmen, town staff and the citizens of the Town of Enfield if my actions caused anyone distress or concern.

Sincerely,

Keith D. Oppenneer