#### **APPROVED**

# MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN April 3, 1995

The meeting of the Hanover Board of Selectmen was called to order at 7:30 p.m. in the courtroom of the Municipal Building. Members present: Marilyn W. Black, Chair; Jack H. Nelson, Vice Chair; Katherine S. Connolly; Dorothy Behlen Heinrichs; and Dorothy King. Also attending: Clifford R. Vermilya, Town Manager; and members of the public and press.

This session was viewed over CATV6 with Christopher Michaud as the videographer.

# PRESENTATION BY DAVID JUVET, DIRECTOR OF GOVERNMENT RELATIONS AMERICAN AUTOMOBILE ASSOCIATION

Mr. David Juvet presented the Town of Hanover with a special citation for going six years without a pedestrian fatality. Mr. Juvet works out of Bedford, NH and is a representative of the American Automobile Association who each year sponsors the Pedestrian Protection Program focusing on pedestrian safety.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Martha Solow of the public asked to be updated on the construction work on 120 by the former Stinson's Store. She said years ago an agreement was made to maintain the screening in that area by the stream and to protect against erosion and was concerned this agreement was not being honored. Mr. Vermilya said it is the Go Go Market owned by a Bradford fuel company. They are replacing the old fuel tanks which have been leaking as well as expanding their building. Mrs. Connolly mentioned that the Conservation Commission has been involved in all phases of the renovations and approved some trees to be taken down for electric lines to go through. Because of concerns voiced, the Select Board said they would be willing to look up the documentation and make sure the agreement has been met.

#### RIVER FEST

The Recreation Board doesn't feel they can endorse River Fest because of the liability complications. It will be covering a wide area over many towns. Mrs. Hall said the Recreation Board asked to have a detailed letter sent to the Select Board for their decision on this event. The Select Board felt this was a decision of the Recreation Board and would hold with the Recreation Board's decision. The Recreation Board would like the Select Board to check with the towns attorney and find out where the town stands in such cases. Mr. Vermilya stated the town has liability coverage for any program run and supervised by the Recreation Department participating in any programs. Mr. Vermilya stated he doesn't feel River Fest meets any of those qualifications but will check with the town's attorney. Members of the Recreation

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Board can volunteer on an individual basis to help with River Fest but not on behalf of the Recreation Board.

The town has been asked to sponsor a National Boomerang Association next month. Not knowing where the town stands on liability coverage, the Recreation Department had the Boomerang Association put their request in writing to the Select Board. Mr. Vermilya felt an organization of that size would be able to obtain their own liability insurance.

### **HIGHWAY 38**

Mrs. Alberta Elder, Chairman of Berrill Farms Association, presented the Select Board with a letter thanking them for working together with them for resolution on the proposed trail as well as approval and acceptance on the proposed location of the trail. The letter also identifies pertinent areas of the proposed plan as it relates to Berrill Farm's.

Dartmouth College has agreed to give the town a trail that runs from Trescott Road back to the Appalachian trail with one of two accesses. The Select Board recommended the Trails Committee choose which of the two routes to use.

Other than the decision to be made through Dartmouth property, Mr. Vermilya has engaged Ken LeClair to do the survey so a map can be drafted for town meeting.

The draft warrant for town meeting will have one article dealing with both the discontinuance of Highway 38 and the acceptance of the easements from the three parties involved with the trail. It will not join the Berrill Farm's trail. Mrs. Elder mentioned there is some confusion on where some of Ron Bailey's markers are and requested that three of them, Ron Bailey, Mrs. Elder and Paul Olsen, meet at the trail where it goes into Dartmouth property and make sure it is ok. Mrs. Heinrichs felt this would be a good time for Ron to take the Trails Committee, Conservation Commission, and the Select Board for a walk where the proposed trail will be. It was decided to do this after the three meet to resolve where the markers are to be.

The Select Board said they will approve and support this article.

# TO CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON A REQUEST FOR LOT MERGER

Larry Young and Tonie LaMonica requested a lot line merger to combine two of their three lots on Mitchell Lane, twelve Dayton and fourteen Mitchell Lane. Mr. Nelson moved the Select Board accept the lot line merger for Larry Young and Tonie LaMonica to combine twelve Dayton and fourteen Mitchell Lane. Mrs. Heinrichs seconded it. Discussion followed regarding a small un-numbered land locked piece on the map between 90 and 93. Mr. Young said it had been merged into their land. All were in favor of the merger.

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Mrs. Hall, representing the Recreation Board, asked if the Select Board could limit the public comment time rather than having it open ended so they wouldn't need to stay through the whole meeting each time the Select Board met. The Select Board said there was no need for the Recreation Board to be at the Select meetings unless they wanted to in case a complaint or concern occurred, the Select Board would listen and direct the person or persons to a time mutually acceptable to talk over their differences.

#### DISCUSSION CONCERNING THE PROPOSED TRANSFER STATION

For the communities wishing to use the Lebanon landfill, Lebanon's City Manager, Barry Brenner, will be appearing before Lebanon's City Council Wednesday night with a proposal for an interim contract of three to five years with a present tipping fee of \$45.00 and per capita fee of \$2.00. In arriving at those figures, the original discussion of their proposal included funding the operation of the recycling center and hazardous waste program at the Lebanon landfill. They have dropped that from the cost. Some other changes are to have periodic ground water sampling's, a sinking fund for closure and long term maintenance. The reason the cost has been reduced over what was previously estimated is due to the existence of some state revolving fund loan monies and grant monies for old landfills which they hope to be able to take advantage of. None of this has yet been approved by the City Council. The town's budget does not include any funds for per capita fees. The tipping fee will be paid by the individual or collectors who dump and the per capita will be paid by the town.

In the proposed revisions, Mr. Bremier has added a clause giving a 60 day notice for such adjustments as tipping fees, but the city would retain the right to adjust the tipping fee as needed. Mr. Vermilya cited two kinds of scenarios where he could see a need for adjusting the tipping fee: 1) If any of the state environmental regulations required more expenditures on their part to meet the regulations and 2) The proposal is based on collecting 37,500 tons of MSW or regular trash per year. If the tonnage figure went down, in order to raise the same amount of money, Lebanon would have to raise the tipping fee. The 3 or 5 years leaves a large opening for changes in the financial arrangements such as tipping fees, per capita fees, etc. Mr. Nelson doesn't want to see the town go into another business, to make another capital expenditure, and put more on the tax rate and less on user fees. He doesn't endorse the transfer station on one end but on the other end with an open ended contract with the city of Lebanon for a short period of time he doesn't see where the town has a choice. We are at the whims of the other regulators, other towns, and the city of Lebanon if they had an open ended contract. Mr. Nelson asked should this item be added to the warrant. Mrs. Connolly agrees but says we have always been at the mercy of being at an open ended contract and suggested a three year contract. Since today is the last day for warrant items, a proposal was made to put the transfer station on the warrant. It was asked if it could be taken off the warrant once put on. Mr. Vermilya said at the town meeting they can recommend it be passed when it came to vote. Mrs.

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Black said the proposal as it is written states a \$10.00 fee will go to the Lebanon General Fund for each ton as a subsidy for the loss of taxes on that piece of land. She feels this fee is above what would be received in taxes and doesn't want to see Hanover's expenses benefiting Lebanon taxpayers. Being open ended is a problem as well as tonnage. The town's tonnage will be going down with glossy paper pickup due to the curb side program. Mr. Vermilya is concerned that the town may not meet the tonnage requirement. Lebanon does not have their new permits yet.

Mr. Nelson moved to put the transfer station on the warrant. Mrs. Heinrichs seconded it. There was no discussion and all were in favor.

#### **POLLS**

The polls are scheduled to be open from 8:00 am - 8:00 pm on Tuesday, May 9, 1995. The Dresden School District would like to have its next budget vote the same day as Hanover's Town Meeting to make it convenient for the public. Due to this request, a recommendation has been made to keep the poles open from 8:00 am - 8:00 pm with the Dresden School District's hours the same. The Dresden meeting will be on Monday night ahead of the Select Board's meeting. Mrs. Heinrichs moved to have the polls open from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm with the removal of the last sentence which reads "after the polls close at 8:00 pm the ballots will be counted". Mrs. King seconded it. There was no discussion and all were in favor.

#### TO TAKE ACTION ON THE TOWN MEETING WARRANT

The following are individual filings: Mr. Nelson for re-election as Selectman; Mike Ahern, Treasurer; Elizabeth Storres, Library Trustee; Larry Draper, Trustee of Trust funds; and Dianne Quill, Town Clerk. State law requires a Treasurer to run for a one year term.

The first six articles are voted on by ballot.

#### **ARTICLE ONE - ARTICLE SIX:**

Voted on by ballot.

#### **ARTICLE ONE:**

Nothing

#### ARTICLE TWO - ARTICLE FIVE:

These are zoning articles and are ballot votes.

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#### **ARTICLE SIX:**

Officers - the existing officers will be contacted to see if they want to be renominated.

## **ARTICLE SEVEN:**

Reports - Mrs. Heinrichs will read

#### **ARTICLE EIGHT:**

Budget - Mrs. Black will read

#### **ARTICLE NINE AND TEN:**

Sidewalk - Mrs. King will read

#### **ARTICLE ELEVEN AND TWELVE:**

Capital Reserve - Mr. Nelson moved to approve eleven. Mrs. King seconded it and all were in favor. Mrs. Connolly will read

#### **ARTICLE THIRTEEN:**

Federal/State Grants - Mrs. Heinrichs will read
This was voted on last year to be perpetual but when read by the moderator, those words were omitted. Consequently, it needs to be redone.

#### **ARTICLE FOURTEEN:**

Gifts - Mr. Nelson will read

#### **ARTICLE FIFTEEN:**

Sand and Gravel Reserve - Mr. Nelson will read

#### **ARTICLE SIXTEEN:**

Highway 38 - Mrs. Heinrichs will read

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#### **ARTICLE SEVENTEEN:**

Transfer Station - Mrs. Black will read

#### **ARTICLE EIGHTEEN:**

Transfer Station Bond and Operating Expense - Mrs. Black will read

#### **ARTICLE NINETEEN:**

Mrs. Connolly moved to approve the by-laws ordinance relating to dogs. Mrs. Heinrichs seconded it. There was much discussion. Mr. Nelson was opposed and feels it would put a law on the books that could not be enforced as well as putting the town in the middle where it should be on an individual basis. Four opposed and one for, Mrs. Connolly.

Mr. Nelson asked if he read that the transfer station is to be number six. The response was yes. The bond issue vote has to be number six and seven. All will be renumbered.

A request was made for copies of last years position papers to be circulated on Friday.

A revised warrant will be drawn up.

Mr. Vermilya brought up a budget item that will affect town meeting - the repair of the Howe Library carpet in the amount of \$15,000. It would be a wash to the budget because the money is in the capital expenditure fund so it won't affect taxes. There was no discussion and all were in favor.

#### TRUSTEE AND TRUST FUND APPOINTMENT

This is an elected position and Keith Quinton would like to be considered for it. He is presently filling out the term vacated by Mr. Kevin Maloney. Mrs. Connolly moved to appoint Keith Quinton to the position of trustee of the Trust Fund. Mrs. King seconded it. There was no discussion and all were in favor.

#### ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

The Select Board received notice that the state Wetlands Board will hold a public hearing on the application of Frank Barrett and Joseph Ransmeier for the development of the property off Brook Road. That hearing will be on Tuesday, April 25, at 10:00 am in rooms 112 and 113 of six Hazen Drive. That is the proposed sub-division development on the Barrett/Ransmeier property where the proposed bike path will go through.

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A communication was received from the Grafton County Commissioners who are hoping to establish a revolving loan fund to assist local businesses, expand operations, and attract business to the Grafton County area. They hope to establish a loan fund by creating a non-profit development corporation and to work with the banks so they can establish a loan fund which would then be available to businesses moving into the area. Only loans that will result in at least 51% low and moderate income will be considered for hiring or funding. Grafton County Commissioners are not asking for money to be contributed to that fund, they intend to attract the money from available federal monies and local banking institutions.

#### SELECTMEN'S REPORTS

#### Mrs. Heinrichs Report:

The egg extravaganza will be held this Saturday at 11:00 am at the Community Center on Ra School Street. Children through fourth grade are welcome.

#### Mrs. Connolly's Report:

The meeting of the League of Women Voters 2,001 and beyond project will be held June 2nd and 3rd. The first part of their project will be to create a community profile and later an overview of the valley by joining forces with other communities with everyone invited to attend.

The Planning Board walked where the trail will be on the Kimball subdivision which was part of Highway 38.

The zoning amendments are finalized for the town warrant.

A couple of minor sub-divisions are coming up on the Planning Board. They did a minor lot line and are still working on the Master Plan. They heard from Bob Bailey and his thoughts about proposed housing for the future. The proposed housing will need a zoning change and won't go to town meeting for another year.

#### Mr. Nelson's Report:

The next meeting of the Ledyard Bridge Committee will be Tuesday, April 11, 1995, at 5:30 pm at Dartmouth College. The next project will be the landscape plan for Wheelock Street. Nothing is required before town meeting. It was suggested to run an article in the Valley News.

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#### Mrs. Black's Report:

Mrs. Black enjoyed her trip to Atlanta, Georgia where she saw her new grandson. He weighs 9 lbs.

#### **MINUTES**

# March 9, 1995:

Mrs. Heinrichs moved to approve the minutes of March 9th as read. Mrs. Connolly seconded it. All were in favor.

#### March 9, 1995 - Non-Public Session:

Mrs. Black moved to approve the minutes of March 9th non-public session as corrected. Mrs. Heinrichs seconded it. There was no discussion and all were in favor.

## March 20, 1995 - Non-Public Session:

Mrs. Connolly moved to approve the minutes of March 20th non public session as read. Mr. Nelson seconded it. There was no discussion and all were in favor.

#### **ADJOURNMENT:**

Mrs. Heinrichs moved to adjourn. Mrs. Connolly seconded it and all were in favor.

Mrs. Heinrichs moved to go into a non-public session to discuss a matter that might affect the reputation of an individual. Mrs. King seconded it. Each voted in favor.

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Dorothy C. King Mrs. Dorothy C. King

Clerk

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#### SUMMARY

- 1. Mr. Nelson MOVED the Select Board accept the lot line merger for Larry Young and Tonie LaMonica to combine twelve Dayton and fourteen Mitchell Lane. Mrs. Heinrichs SECONDED it. ALL WERE IN FAVOR of the merger.
- 2. Mr. Nelson MOVED to put the transfer station on the warrant. Mrs. Heinrichs SECONDED it. ALL WERE IN FAVOR.
- 3. Mrs. Heinrichs MOVED to have the polls open from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm. Mrs. King SECONDED it. There was NO DISCUSSION and ALL WERE IN FAVOR.
- 4. Mr. Nelson MOVED TO APPROVE Article Eleven. Mrs. Connolly SECONDED it. ALL WERE IN FAVOR.
- 5. Mrs. Connolly MOVED TO APPROVE the by-laws ordinance relating to dogs. Mrs. Heinrichs SECONDED it. There was MUCH DISCUSSION. FOUR OPPOSED, Mrs. Heinrichs, Mrs. Black, Mrs. King, and Mr. Nelson; ONE APPROVED, Mrs. Connolly.
- 6. Mr. Vermilya brought up a budget item that will affect town meeting the repair of the Howe Library carpet in the amount of \$15,000. It would be a wash to the budget because the money is in the capital expenditure fund so it won't affect taxes. There was NO DISCUSSION and ALL WERE IN FAVOR.
- 7. Mrs. Connolly MOVED TO APPOINT Keith Quinton to the position of trustee of the Trust Fund. Mrs. King SECONDED it. There was NO DISCUSSION and ALL WERE IN FAVOR.
- 8. Mrs. Heinrichs MOVED TO APPROVE the minutes of March 9th as read. Mrs. Connolly SECONDED it. There was NO DISCUSSION and ALL WERE IN FAVOR.
- 9. Mrs. Connolly MOVED TO APPROVE the minutes of March 9th non-public session as amended. Mr. Nelson SECONDED them and ALL WERE IN FAVOR.
- 10. Mrs. Connolly MOVED TO APPROVE the minutes of March 20th non-public session as read. Mrs. Nelson SECONDED them and ALL WERE IN FAVOR.

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- 11. Mrs. Heinrichs MOVED TO ADJOURN. Mrs. Connolly SECONDED it and ALL WERE IN FAVOR.
- 12. Mrs. Heinrichs MOVED to go into a non-public session to discuss a matter that might affect the reputation of an individual. Mrs. King SECONDED it. EACH VOTED IN FAVOR.