

**TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 8, 2001**

Chairman T. Young called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

PRESENT: Chairman T. Young, D. Pichette-Volk, P. Rueppel, M. DiBitetto, R Dion, R. Holley, M. Jolin, P. Ganley, D. Duford, M. Farrell-Town Administrator.

**Minutes:**

**July 18, 2001** M. Jolin moved to approve the minutes as amended. Seconded by R. Holley. T. Young abstained. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**July 25, 2001** R. Dion moved to approve the minutes as amended. Seconded by M. DiBitetto. T. Young abstained. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**July 31, 2001** R. Dion moved to approve the minutes as amended. Seconded by D. Pichette-Volk. **Motion carried unanimously.** Abstained: T. Young, R. Holley, P. Ganley, M. DiBitetto.

**TOWN ADMINISTRATORS REPORT:** M. Farrell reported on the following:

1. That bids have been received for a Brush Attack Unit, for the Hooksett Fire and Rescue Department. Harold Murray, Fire Department's Committee member explained that the Unit was bid out as a whole and separately. The skid, built by Wildfire; body, built by American Outfitters; and chassis, built by Ford. It was determined that the separate bids yielded a better price.

D. Duford moved to approve the purchase of the Brush Attack Unit as presented in the amount of \$48,000. M. Jolin seconded. **Motion carried unanimously.**

2. Information was presented on the sale, by sealed bid, of Transfer Station's Loader. Three bids were received and it is recommended that the bid submitted by Lambert in the amount of \$11,050 be accepted. **(Attachment #1)**

D. Duford moved to approve the sale of the Transfer Station's Loader, and to accept Lambert's bid of \$11,050. Seconded by P. Ganley. **Motion carried unanimously.**

3. T.I.F. letters were sent out with the opportunity to contact Administration to be part of the T.I.F. Advisory Board.
4. The athletic fields on Peter's Brook Drive have been sub-graded and there is \$106,000 left in the warrant article to be spent this year which is the last year the money can be used.

Chairman T. Young asked if the Council could be shown what changes have taken place in the field.

5. Based on a Quarry Road field visit last spring Bart Mayer received a response from the bonding company. The bonding company suggested a payment of \$15,000, which we feel is inadequate. Further discussion needs to take place.
6. Job Corps update – Kelly Clark sent their proposal to the Federal Government. It is now up to Judd Gregg to make the next move.
7. There will be a meeting in late September with the Sewer Commission to discuss a \$3.6 million bond; paid by ratepayers which needs a 60% town vote. The bond would be for a general facility and to construct a composting facility.
8. Street paving is in process this week to be completed in the fall.

9. Primex representative Nick Manolis is available August 29 at 6:30 to give guidance on producing logical goals and objectives for Town Council and Town Administrator.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

M. Farrell reported on the Web status and that he has met with computer consultants who are working with the Manchester Fire Department, on Webster St., to possibly get a DSL line through them. Another meeting has been set up for further discussion.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

D. Duford stated he would like to see someone look into the Town getting a purchasing agent Town-wide to save money.

Chairman T. Young inquired on status of land for parks and recreation on the parcel of land on Cross Road. He asked if the State could be approached for the status on the land to see if it is available and what wetland situation exists on the parcel.

M. Farrell stated there are 2 parcels with a total of 24 acres and some wetlands exist. He will write a letter indicating an interest for recreation usage.

**SCHEDULED APPOINTMENTS:**

**AMBULANCE COMMITTEE REPORT.**

Steve L'Heureux gave a presentation of the Committee's report which describes the current use of ambulance service within the town, analyzes the efficacy of the current system, assesses ambulance needs, explains their response time vs. cost and creates a plan addressing ongoing provisions of ambulance service to the Town. The report contains recommendations for future of emergency medical services for the community. (Copy of report on file in the Administration office)

D. Duford moved to accept the report as submitted. Motion seconded by R. Dion. **Motion carried unanimously.**

D. Duford moved that Council create an EMS Commission. Motion seconded by D. Pichette-Volk.

After some discussion, it was felt any action on the recommendation would be premature.

D. Pichette-Volk withdrew her second to the motion.

D. Duford withdrew his motion.

R. Dion thanked D. Pichette-Volk and D. Duford for their consistency and commitment in assisting with this report.

D. Duford asked M. Farrell how he obtained a copy of the confidential draft of the Report of the Ambulance Committee.

M. Farrell stated he didn't know, it just appeared in his mail.

**STATE LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS:**

S. L'Heureux stated that this is his first year in the Legislature and it has been a learning curve for him. He is on the Fish & Game Committee, HB 164 Accountability, Hazardous Material Advisory Commission, and the 211 Commission which is a help-line phone system similar to a 911 set-up. Bills can be amended before the end of February 2002.

Chairman T. Young requested that the Town's legislative representative be invited to the Council's second meeting in September

D. Duford asked about the 10 year plan for Alice Ave., Lilac Bridge and By-pass.

S. L'Heureux stated he will inquire and respond back to the Council.

**New Business Continued:**

D. Pichette-Volk stated that the monthly department reports presentation with charts is outstanding.

**NOMINATIONS/APPOINTMENTS:**

P. Rueppel nominated Steve Couture to Conservation Commission, full member fill in, exp. 6/2002.

P. Rueppel moved to suspend the rules in order to nominate and appoint in the same meeting. Motion seconded by R. Dion. **Motion carried unanimously.**

P. Rueppel moved to appoint Steve Couture for Conservation Commission, Full Term fill in, term expires on 6/2002. Motion seconded by R. Dion. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Chairman T. Young stated that Heidi Quesada resigned her position on the Conservation Commission.

**SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**ADMINISTRATIVE CODE:** P. Ganley reported that a meeting should take place soon.

**AMBULANCE COMMITTEE:** D. Pichette-Volk reported that the Committee is inactive, please delete from list.

**BOARD OF ASSESSORS:** Chairman T. Young reported that an organizational meeting is scheduled for September.

**CONSERVATION COMMISSION LIAISON:** P. Rueppel reported that the Commission suggested that M. DiBietto call the State to look into the Adopt-A-Highway Program.

D. Pichette-Volk will forward information to the Conservation Committee and Town Council on the Adopt a Highway Program.

P. Rueppel reported that they walked the school parcel on the Route 28 Bypass and that Dr. Richardson came to look at schools.

**COUNCIL NEWSLETTER:** R. Dion reported that the newsletter should contain the Council's Goals and Objectives.

M. DiBietto reported that the Community Profile Committee would like to mention their meetings set for November 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**HEAVY EQUIPMENT:** D. Duford reported that there would be a meeting next week on Tuesday night to open bids on the new six-wheel dump truck.

**PERAMBULATION:** D. Pichette-Volk reported that they have contacted Candia to walk the line and are waiting for dates.

**PLANNING BOARD:** P. Ganley reported that a Zapora Drive lot line adjustment has been approved. Four-lot subdivision was approved. B.J's application is complete and it does not have

a gas station. Snopel – land off 28 bypass, 3 lot subdivision decision has not been finalized, East Point Park Phase IV for PHNS Work Center has not been finalized. Granite Hills II has new plans for the original 372 units previously approved.

POLICE COMMISSION: M. DiBitetto reported that two police officers were hired and they are now short five officers.

ROAD CONNECTOR: M. Farrell reported that the next step is to complete a traffic study, but since the Head's Pond project was defeated at the polls there is no one to fund it.

D. Duford stated that if other interested parties were to meet the \$10,000-\$15,000 needed it could easily be raised.

Chairman T. Young stated that there should be a daytime meeting with the Road Connector Representatives for a plan of action with time lines and to coordinate with Southern NH planning as well.

M. Farrell stated he would see to the arrangements of such a meeting.

SEWER LIAISON: P. Rueppel reported that P. Ganley discussed sewer situations in his neighborhood.

UNION NEGOTIATIONS: M. Dibitetto reported that they met last week and will have recommendations/analysis done on how to respond.

CENTRAL HOOKSETT WATER PRECENT: R. Holley reported that they received a clean water report.

HOOKSETT VILLAGE WATER PRECINCT: D. Pichette-Volk reported that they received a clean water report.

Chairman T. Young adjourned the meeting at 9:20pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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Michel N. Jolin  
Town Council Secretary