

SPECIAL MEETING - Information Hearing - Air Pollution Control DECEMBER 5, 1977

The meeting was opened at 8:15 with approximately 30 in attendance.

Roland Sallada read the State Consent Order aloud in regard to the New Boston dump regulations.

Thomas Mansfield informed the session what the Selectmen have done so far toward the project. They have been in contact with the Town of Wilton. Wilton is looking for surrounding towns to join them in incineration. Everything hinges on whether the program passes at the Wilton Town Meeting. The program is not expecting to start until the fall of 1978. Mr. Mansfield elaborated on the meaning of incineration: it would mean separation of rubbish, separating bottles, paper, can. The cost to New Boston would be \$5.11 per capita; \$9,683 per year. This would be the cost in Wilton and New Boston would have other costs in preparation and function.

The second facility checked out by the Selectmen was the SOUHEGAN VALLEY REGIONAL LAND FILL. This program runs at \$7.50 per capita, \$13,207.50 per year. The town would have to buy a new trailer and have the cost of transportation at \$8,000 per year. This program does not necessitate separation. The operation has a projection of about 30 years. Mt. Vernon is very satisfied in this program. It would also cost the town another \$7 - 8,000 to prepare our dump for operation. The towns already holding membership are : Amherst, Brookline, Hollis and Mt. Vernon. To be a member, Mt. Vernon would have to vote us in at their Town Meeting or sign an agreement for the privilege of using facilities as a non-member.

Howard Prince asked if it was correct that our dump had been approved for land fill. Mr. Sallada said A letter had been received from Concord saying the test had proved O.K.

Sandy Gallup asked if burning is allowed with land fill. The answer was no - only bursh.

Reg Hayes offered that the cost to the town of Bedford is \$37,000 annual.

Chuck Wason felt we should contact some local engineering firm for advise. It is determined that no matter project taken, we will still need a ramp, etc.

Ken Marvell said that the town of Hollis finds LAND FILL expensive.

Joe Perry, resident of New Boston and Road Agent for Goffstown, feels he would prefer to stay at our own dump and get our equipment from Government surplus.

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Harold Strong said the Planning Board has been discussing this possibility and they would like to see a committee appointed to look into keeping our dump operation in town, with the possibility of being under the supervision of the road agent. It appears to be the least expensive route. Dr. Brooks agreed.

David Woodbury, the only active member of the previously elected appointed committee, said he feels the town should employ an engineering firm for utilization of our land. He does not recommend using the Lydia Dodge lot. He recommends contracting for a short term with Wilton. Then use of our land if need be. Mr. Woodbury feels the population too small to handle land fill on our own because of the cost of the equipment necessary.

Wayne Daniels asked the cost of our dump now. Answer: Mr. Houghton receives \$50 per week.

Mr. Perry described the equipment used by Goffstown and the types used. Mr. Harvell felt we should follow the suggestions of Mr. Woodbury.

Mr. Wason suggested strengthening the dump committee by more active members.

Mr. Ray Wheeler also agrees with Mr. Woodbury.

Mr. Sallada opined that the cost will be exorbitant no matter what we do. He sees a raise of \$3.00 in the tax rate just for the dump. He approves the Souhegan Land Fill method.

Mrs. Daniels suggested a committee be appointed to look into a town dump.

Mr. Woodbury felt very doubtful the town could be ready by April 1 going this route. It was the consensus of the people that if we went to the State after Town Meeting with a concrete plan, we would be given an extension.

It was announced that January 9 will be the next discussion meeting allowing time to prepare something for the Town Report.

Mr. Houghton said he does not approve of land fill. He feels it would not last more than 3 years, plus it contaminates the water table. Everyone agreed. Mr. Sallada asked Mr. Woodbury whom he would like on his committee. The following were appointed.: Ella Daniels, Joe Perry, Dr. Samuel Brooks, Walter Leach, Sr. and Atty. David Woodbury.

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 pm.