

SELECTMEN'S MEETING

October 23, 1980

Both Selectmen and Secretary present.

A special meeting was held in the Conference Room at 7:30 pm with Sharon Stoffel to talk on National Flood Insurance. Present from SNHPC were James Tethers and Tony Dater. Representing the Conservation Comm. were Ray Wheeler and Martha Brooks; representing the Planning Board was Ella Daniels. Ms. Stoffel reminded us that New Boston voted the Emergency Flood Plan in 1975. She displayed maps showing the A-Zone, which is the critical area and the B-Zone being less critical area. She stressed an important requirement to remember is that there must be no development in the 'flood way'. In the fringe area, one cannot build lower than the flood elevation. A Mobile Home in the fringe area must be tied down. If one wishes to bring fill into the flood way, a permit must be obtained from the Selectmen (or whomever has the authority to issue these permits.)

The Selectmen plan to enlarge on the Ordinance at Town Meeting and the Articles and procedure will be under the direction of Mr. Tethers.

Pistols Permits were issued to Robert Sletten and David Whipple.

At the request of the Selectmen, Mr. Treadwell of Amherst Burglary Systems came in to discuss the possibility of changing our present system from outside siren to one which would be hooked up to the Police phone. Mr. Treadwell said this is possible. He estimated an installation charge of approximately \$400 and a monthly charge of \$15. He will mail us the statistics that we may choose our alternative.

Jerry and Robert Kennedy accompanied by Gordon Flippo, came in to try to settle a disagreement regarding the handling of the bids on the Highway Town Garage. The Kennedy Brothers were disgruntled at the method with which the Selectmen handled the case by rejecting all the bids (which were all higher than monies appropriated) and electing to hire Charles Houghton to build it on an hourly basis with the Selectmen being their own contractor. They feel slighted that they were not given the opportunity to negotiate the project on an hourly basis. They voiced high criticism of the blueprints that were distributed and feel the proper procedure at this point would be to have corrected blueprints prepared and conduct a new bidding. They feel that, due to the late date, it would be better to wait until next spring so as to do things properly. The Kennedy Brothers threatened legal action which might arrest any further action on the building.

Sel. Mansfield said he will stay with his decision on this matter but advised that he intends to approach legal counsel before continuing with the building. Sel. Todd concurred with the decision.