

MINUTES SELECTMEN'S MEETING - February 27, 1989

Present were Selectman Willard Dodge and Sandra Gendron, Administrative Assistant.

David Bourque from Full-View Cable came in to assure Selectman Dodge that the contract we had signed with his company to have cable installed in New Boston was in tact and work would proceed despite the financial problems of New Entertainment World. David Bourque will now be operating under Full-View exclusively and was hopeful of knowing by Friday, March 3, 1989 that a company called Cable Services and his company would come to an agreement and work would then commence full force to get New Boston on-line. A lot of the background work had been done by Cable Services and once agreement was reached between the two then work would go right along with full co-operation of Public Service. It was still his intention that New Boston will serve as a core for the cable company and several of the surrounding Town's would be put on-line as a result of what will be available in New Boston. He was still hopeful that the majority of the work would be done by June of 1989 and when asked what would happen if the impending deal was not reached with Cable Services David Bourque's response was that he had other alternatives in mind, but he again expressed confidence that agreement would be reached. He assured Selectman Dodge that the bond and all other agreements previously signed by the Selectmen were still valid and it was his intention to make certain that New Boston was satisfied with the cable service. He further stated that it was his intention to make some camera equipment available to the Fire Department. He left a brochure describing Cable Services and a letter from his company that will be handed out at Town Meeting, and his assurance that he would let us know the outcome of the agreement with Cable Services.

Brian Towne was in to discuss the situation that had arisen with the Zoning Board of Adjustment with regard to an agreement that had been reached between the school and the town concerning the land purchased from Victor Daniel's a portion of which had been used for construction of the school addition. It was agreed upon by the school and the town that the town would transfer the entire parcel of land to the school and then when the addition was completed the balance of the land not used by the addition and parking lot would be turned back to the town. The problem is that the remaining land is only one acre and a non-conforming lot according to the zoning ordinance for the town and the ZBA is hesitant to grant a variance. The ZBA postponed a vote on the issue for one month requesting that the Selectmen get the advice of Town Counsel as to the legality of the situation, it was their feeling that in some way they would be granting a subdivision and did not feel that this was their authority to do so. Some discussion ensued as to alternatives, one might be that the school could grant an easement to the town if all else fails. The situation will be looked into by the Selectmen and the Secretary would be asked to look back for minutes of meetings that might have taken place when agreement had been reached between the school and town.

Checks were signed by Selectman Dodge and bills reviewed, checks would be presented the next day to the remaining Selectmen for signature.

Respectfully submitted,



Sandra Gendron, Administrative Assistant

March 3, 1989 - A phone call was received this a. m. from David Bourque stating that Cable Services would be doing the construction work for the New Boston cable and in fact agreement had been reached.