

MINUTES OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING - April 9, 1990

Present for the meeting which began at 7:00 p.m. were Selectmen Mansfield, Johnston and Dodge with Sandra Gendron taking minutes.

Road Agent Lee Murray was in at 7:00 p.m. which was the prescribed time to open the bids that had been received for the proposed Joe English Road Project. The sealed bids were opened by Chairman of the Board of Selectmen Thomas Mansfield and were as follows:

Franeestown Sand and Gravel	\$73,605.85
	425.00 (Houle)*
H. A. Scott & Sons, Inc.	62,400.00
	1,195.00 (Houle)
D. & S Excavating	77,391.60
	1,625.00 (Houle)
Dave Bowen & Sons	64,775.00
	575.00 (Houle)
Rockland Construction	69,708.00
	2,100.00 (Houle)
Staiti, Inc.	52,835.00
	350.00 (Houle)
Don Wheeler Construction, Inc.	72,104.00
	500.00 (Houle)
A. J. Gomes	60,843.00
	1,067.00 (Houle)
Connie's Septic Service	97,592.00
	1,300.00 (Houle)
Peter Beers	53,335.25
	no mention(Houle)
William Boievert & Sons	88,295.00
	no mention(Houle)

*Extra work necessary to the driveway of Roger Houle.

It was the decision of the Board that the bids would have to be reviewed before the project was awarded and further Chairman Mansfield indicated that possibly a few of the low bidders would be invited in for discussion of their bids as presented.

Manager of the Transfer Station, Bonnie Bethune was in to open the only bid received prior to the deadline for a skid steer loader. The bid was from Chappell Tractor in Milford in the amount of \$14,620.00 and she was authorized by the Selectmen to make the purchase.

Trustees of the Trust Funds William Morin, Philip Harvell and newly elected Theodore Olson were to discuss the general overview of the funds now that a new member had been elected. Selectman Dodge expressed for the board the frustration experienced in working with the former Trustee and hoped that a better rapport could be developed with the Selectmen having more knowledge of the investments by the Trustees. William Morin spokesman for the group indicated that he would be chairman and Theodore Olson would be clerk, and as a group they would be making and have made the best investments deemed possible so far. He indicated that the transition had gone well and that the three had gone through the safety deposit boxes to determine the contents. Bill stated that he would take possession of the Amoskeag stocks now in an investors hands and put them in the safety deposit box.

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Discussion turned to the Babson Memorial Monument and the situation was again discussed whereby it was thought that a large portion of the accumulated interest could be spent to move the monument to the Town Common and there be maintained with more of the memorial's monies being spent to improve the common area. Although there is still thought that it would be in the best interest to move the monument it is the decision of the Trustees that until the State feels that the monument has to be moved due to its possible traffic hazard or a change in the highway, the situation will remain as is and monies will be spent annually to keep the area neat and trimmed. It was further the decision of the trustees that they will hire a landscaper to clear back the shrubs which have overgrown the monument and clean the stone in an amount not to exceed \$500., then pending agreement by the Road Agent, if he has the equipment available the area will be mowed as needed and his department will be paid \$200. annually for the work done. The Trustees felt that this will contain the liability if the Town Highway Department maintained the area, that the interest of the fund would not be allowed to accumulate which was a concern of the Charitable Trust people in Concord, and that the original intent of the trust would be met. The funds for the restoration of the area and the money to be paid to the Highway Department would be given to the Town by the Trustees and the bills subsequently paid. Before the Trustees left it was again reiterated that the lines of communication would be kept open by the two boards.

Next on the agenda Barry Greene was in with an associate representing New Boston Properties along with them was Harold Wheeler of E. K. Wheeler Construction from Manchester. They proposed to the Selectmen a possible landfill on the more than two hundred acre parcel now owned by New Boston Properties in New Boston. It was their contention that they were well aware of the unpopularity of their proposal, but maintained that such a project could be financially very lucrative to a community. They went on to explain that only household waste would be trucked to such a site and that companies such as Waste Management were looking for sites in excess of two hundred acres that might be suitable for such a project.

Selectman Johnston responded to this proposal stating that our current zoning does not allow for such a proposal either under a permitted use or a special exception and further that the Town has made a strong commitment towards recycling. Selectman Dodge who had been very involved in the closure of our community landfill, expressed his opinion that the proposed site was not conducive for a landfill and that if it were it would certainly require a zoning change. He also expressed his sentiment that there would be great opposition from the community at large. Discussion ensued as to the need for landfills despite any community's commitment to recycling and the tendency towards automatic rejection when such a proposal is made in a given community.

After much discussion the Selectmen suggested that if tests proved that this particular site might be conducive to housing a landfill then the route to take would be to go for the various permits via the Planning Board and an informational public hearing might be held. The Selectmen again stated their feelings that this was not a

suitable site, but would want the public to have the opportunity to hear what financial benefits might be in store and to express their opinions on the possibility of having a landfill in New Boston. The Selectmen also made it perfectly clear that despite the outcome they would object to anything but N. H. waste being transported should any site be used in New Boston which, again, they felt was extremely doubtful.

At this time a motion was made by Chairman Mansfield that the Board go into executive session regarding a personnel matter, this was seconded by Selectman Johnston and so voted. A roll call of the board resulted all in favor of an executive session for the above-stated reason.

At approximately 10:00 p.m. Chairman Mansfield voted to conclude the executive session, this was seconded by Selectman Dodge and so voted. A roll call of the board proved they were all in agreement to close the executive session and the balance of the evenings business was acted upon.

Sandra Gendron was instructed to write a letter to the Planning Board stating what road requirements would be made of James Dodge to proceed with his proposed subdivision. In a brief discussion on another road related matter it was stated that the Road Agent would like Frank Fillmore to remove the stumps and ledge from Butterfield Mill Road where he is proposing a subdivision. More discussion would be needed on this matter and an agreement would need to be reached by Frank Fillmore and the Ivy Group as to the intersecting roads in the area.

Mail was reviewed, checks were signed and the meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Sandra Gendron
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