

MINUTES OF THE SELECTMEN'S MEETING - September 24, 1990

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

Attorney Robert Whitman had requested a few minutes of the Selectmen's time to submit to the Board a deed from Nashua Trust to the Town of New Boston for a strip of land on Hopkins Road explaining that Canaan Enterprises had a mortgage with Nashua Trust and were foreclosed on. The original Canaan deed did not convey what it should have and this new deed withdraws the strip of land from the mortgage. He stated that the description was copied from the existing deed and the Town should send it to the registry for recording. This strip of land was originally deeded to the Town for the widening of Hopkins Road.

Mario Bolduc, a resident of River Road was requested to come in by the Selectmen concerning a flier that he had sent out inviting residents of New Boston to a party at his home. Mario stated that he did consider parking to be a problem and asked if cars could park at the school and people be shuttled back to his house. The Selectmen were concerned that a permit should be issued based on an ordinance which has been on the books for quite some time regarding large gatherings. They asked Mario such questions as had the neighbors been notified of his plans, did he realize that this invitation had been circulated at Goffstown High School, and did he consider the extent of his own liability in this matter should things get out of control? Mario did respond that he intended to provide limo service for anyone not in condition to drive. The Selectmen inquired as to how he intended to handle school age kids who might want to drink and Mario responded that he would tell them they could not drink. Selectman Dodge asked Mario if he honestly thought that would work and Mario responded that it probably would not. The Selectmen then referred to the local ordinance that had been passed by vote of the 1973 Town Meeting regulating large gatherings. The Selectmen went on to express their concern with regard to the possible liability for the town if the situation were not checked into thoroughly before a license might be issued. Mario claimed that he could prove in writing that the neighbors had no objections and Mario went on to further state that he would be willing to hire police officers if the Selectmen deemed necessary. The Selectmen were in doubt as to whether the New Boston Police Department should even be there. Police Sargent Donald Sims, who had been invited by the Selectmen to sit in on the meeting with Mario, asked Mario if he realized exactly what he had done by extending an open invitation to this party. Mario offered to cancel the party since it had not been his intention to cause problems for anyone. The Selectmen felt that they would need to issue the permit based on the existing ordinance and Selectman Dodge was reluctant to ask the NBPD to go on private property since the potential for problems was great. Mario then offered to let the Selectmen make the decision. Selectman Dodge responded that the Board would want to see in writing that the neighbors offered no objections and further questioned why Mario would want the liability of such an undertaking. Selectman Johnston contended that, in his opinion, the NBPD was not responsible for policing on private property and even if Mario were willing to hire private duty police officers he was not sure that the situation could be controlled. He stated he was in agreement with the feelings expressed by Selectman Dodge.

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Selectman Mansfield asked Mario how many kids he estimated would be there and Mario's response was 300. Mario stated he did not expect any kids from Goffstown. The Selectmen told Mario that they did not doubt his good intentions, but would be extremely reluctant to issue a permit for liability reasons. Selectman Mansfield also pointed out he felt that the area was too small for the numbers that might be in attendance.

After this discussion Mario stated that he would cancel the party and would contact the Selectmen first if he had other ideas with regard to giving a party. The Selectmen gave a couple of suggestions such as rental of a hall and selling tickets to have better control of the crowd. When asked how he would cancel, Mario stated that he would send out a flier stating the cancellation similar to the one he sent out as an invitation.

Gary Lawrence was next in to see the Board to discuss the bid he had submitted for the re-roofing of the Town Shed. He had submitted the only bid received for the project. Gary explained that he had made a mistake thinking only the front half of the roof was to be replaced and he brought in a new bid for the entire project as it was intended to be done. He described what he was bidding on and the materials that he would use. Discussion ensued as to the metal that would be used. The newly submitted bid was \$4,612.01 plus roofing. He estimated using the best roofing would increase the cost of the job \$1400. over his bid. Lee commented that this bid appears to be higher than anticipated. Discussion turned to Lee's general Fund Account where the money for this project would come from.

Selectman Johnston asked Gary to investigate the difference between two numbers for the materials he was proposing to use. Selectman Mansfield asked Gary to describe his work experience. Gary responded that he had two employees, he went on to describe work he had done in New Boston and the fact that he had been in business for himself for eight years. He assured the Selectmen that he would do a neat job that they would be very satisfied with. He went on to describe how he intended to do the project and estimated that it would take six days of good weather to complete.

Next in to meet with the Selectmen were Frank and Jeffrey Fillmore who had been invited by the Board to discuss what would be expected of them regarding the restoration of a Class VI road which they had damaged during the course of preparing lots that they owned for subdivision and subsequent sale. The Selectmen stated that they wanted the road restored to some degree and gave Frank the option of doing the work necessary or having the work done and the bills sent to him. Some of the work the Selectmen considered necessary was the cleaning up of the ledge on the left side of the road, and smoothing and seeding the area for stabilization. Frank admitted to the Selectmen that he had blasted the ledge to allow the cement trucks through. Frank agreed to clean up the area as required under supervision of the Road Agent. Selectman Johnston quoted to Frank from State Statutes the prohibition of any work to any town roadways being done without permission and the consequences thereof.

Discussion turned to the utility poles which had been erected on the

Class VI road, Selectman Dodge pointed out that they could not remain, but would have to go on the right-of-way for the house being built. Frank did state that the driveway was in, something that had been discussed on prior occasions. The Selectmen agreed to review the situation with the telephone company and Lee would schedule a representative from the phone company to come and meet on site.

The meeting ended with Lee stating he would try to meet with the Fillmore's the next afternoon to go over what would have to be done for the restoration of the Class VI road. It was also pointed out to Frank that the bill he was sent for other damages done was separate from this issue and further that it could not come from the Road Improvements monies that had been posted as a requirement of his subdivision.

The Selectmen authorized \$2500. be released to David Bowen in order that he might start the job on Tucker Mill Road for which he had been awarded the bid. The Selectmen also authorized Lee to tell David that if he did not get the gravel from Clifton Wilson's pit where the quality had already been approved, then the material would have to be approved by Lee and come from an existing legal pit.

Discussion with Lee turned to the Arrowwood Subdivision when the road was being constructed. Lee stated that from what he could see the quality of the gravel was good and appeared to be packing well; however, he had been called as he should have been for inspections. Lee did let it be known to the road contractor that the driveway permits had to be applied for before the crushed gravel was placed.

Conversation turned to Lee's budgets and whether discussion had ever taken place with regard to proposed paving work to Thornton Road and Valley View Lane coming from Block Grant money. Lee wanted to clarify the matter since his resurfacing budget is running low. The various road projects that had been done thus far in 1990 were reviewed and the status of the various road budget accounts was discussed.

Lee is still negotiating with Brox regarding some of the areas in the newly paved portion of Joe English Road which have not done to the satisfaction of the Town despite some of the remedies Brox has employed. The budget for that project was looked at and there was some discussion of possibly splitting the cost of overlaying that stretch with Brox and still coming in with a completed project under-budget. Lee said he was still discussing the matter with Brox as to what would be done in order to satisfy the Town. Lee also stated he would like to stripe the new section straight through to Meadow Road at an estimated cost of \$354. for which there appears to be money available.

That area on Clark Hill Road for which Developer Richard Messina has posted off-site road improvement monies was next on the list of topics discussed with Lee. Thought was given to using some of this money on an hourly basis rather than putting a portion of or all of the improvements out to bid. The condition of the road in general was discussed and Lee expressed his desire to better some of the bad spots in the road rather than do whole sections at a time. Selectman Dodge suggested that time be taken by the Board and Lee

and possibly the Road Committee to review Clark Hill Road.

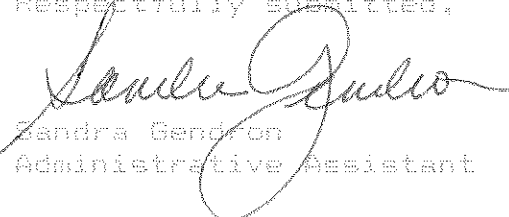
Returning to the subject of the funding of the paving work to be done on Thornton Road and Valley View Lane as discussed above, Lee was authorized to complete the project with monies from Block Grant.

Lee asked the Selectmen's opinion of going ahead with the bid from Gary Lawrence for the re-roofing of the Town Shed without benefit of another price for comparison. Lee stated he would check on the price of the roofing material.

On the final topic of discussion Lee again mentioned the laptop computer he would like to purchase at an expense of approximately \$2500 which would include the electronic measuring device and the digitizing board, Lee already has the software. He emphasized that fact that the Town would then be able to do their own road surveys and would be in a position to update the Master Plan which is a fast approaching requirement. No final decision was made.

Mail was reviewed, checks were signed and the meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Sandra Gendron
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