

**Town of New Boston
Selectmen's Meeting
December 18, 2000**

A regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen was called to order by Gordon Carlstrom at 7:10 PM.

PRESENT:	Gordon Carlstrom	Chairperson
	Mark Anderson	Selectman
	David Delorey	Selectman
	Burton Reynolds	Town Administrator

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

APPOINTMENTS:

7:00 PM Greg Begin Police Department

The Selectmen and Town Administrator met with Chief Greg Begin to interview a candidate for employment. Anthony Daddario was hired as a full time officer with the New Boston Police Department. Mr. Daddario is currently employed at the New Boston Tracking Station. Other news from the Police Department included a letter of thanks received by Chief Begin in regards to Officer Lamy's assistance to a resident of a neighboring town.

7:15 UNH Students Study Report - West End of Lydia Dodge Lot

Students from UNH who were involved with the study report of the Lydia Dodge Lot off Old Coach Road gave an extensive presentation of their findings with the use of maps, graphs and slides. They outlined the types of vegetation and wildlife found and made recommendations regarding management and public awareness for preservation of the property.

MINUTES: Dave made a motion to accept the minutes of December 4th and December 27th as amended. Gordon seconded the motion.

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1) **Planning** - members of the Planning Board visited the Quirk campground and also the Apple Barn property. The issues involved with steep driveways in town is being handled by a sub-committee, which will be bringing forth ideas to the Planning Board.
- 2) **Salaries** - There will be a budget review at 7:30 on January 3, 2001. Selectmen reviewed the revised wages table. Consistent employees receive inflation raises. Step increases are earned by exceptional performance. Table may be adjusted down 1/2 % overall.
- 3) **Short Term Disability** - This item was tabled until next week.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1) **Holiday Schedule** - Employees will receive a paid 1/2 day prior to the Christmas holiday falling on a weekday, excluding Mondays. Employees will receive comp. time should they have to work during this half day. A preliminary schedule for the Selectmen's meetings has been outlined and was reviewed by the Selectmen.
- 2) **Year 2000 Encumbrances** - Digitizing of the Tax Maps will be paid in January or February of 2001. A list of road projects to be done with Block Grant Money in 2001 was presented. Selectmen signed a letter of encumbrances.
- 3) **2001 Budget Preparation** - Selectmen reviewed the town administrator's budget worksheets and made necessary adjustments to line item figures. The sheets will be updated by Burton and presented to the Finance Committee for their review and input.
- 4) **Review of Petitioned Zoning Articles** - Signatures on petitions are required to be legal voters.

OTHER:

- 1) **Line Striper** - Selectmen agreed to the purchase of a new line striper for the Highway Department.
- 2) **2000 Goals & Status** - Selectmen reviewed the status of their list of goals for the year 2000.
- 3) **Resignation** - April Byam is resigning from the Office of the Planning Board. The Planning Board will be seeking a recording secretary for their regular meetings.
- 4) **Town Website Directory** - Dave Rising has put together a website directory which will be published in the town report.
- 5) **Letter of Concern** - Burton received a letter on December 18th from Rick Riendeau in reference to his concerns regarding construction.
- 6) **Public Hearing** - There will be a public hearing on Tuesday, January 16th. Process for petitioning articles, Deliberative Session, Voting in March, Town positions available.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

Gordon made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:55 PM. Dave seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Cindy Romano