

MINUTES OF THE SELECTMEN'S MEETING - April 8, 1991

Present for the meeting which began at 7:00 p.m. were Selectmen Johnston, Mansfield and Dodge. Sandra Gendron arrived later in the meeting after having closed the Town Clerk's Office and Selectman Dodge took minutes in the interim.

Road Agent Lee Murray was in for his regularly scheduled meeting with the Board of Selectmen at 7:00 p.m. The first topic of discussion was a one year old waste oil heater which had been purchased at a foreclosure sale by a machine shop in Manchester. They were interested in selling the entire unit for \$600.00. It was decided that Selectman Johnston and Lee would do it during the course of the week.

The next topic of discussion was the Class VI roadway which runs past the property of Mark Walsh off Route #13. The road also access two lots owned by Frank Mack beyond the Walsh residence. Complaints had been received by the office regarding the condition of the road since Frank Mack has begun working on the lots. Lee went to look over the situation and found that the road was in disarray. The Board of Selectmen instructed Sandra Gendron Administrative Assistant to contact the Building Inspector to determine if any building permits have been issued and further to contact Frank Mack to meet with the Board of Selectmen at their next Monday meeting for discussion on the condition of the road. Frank is to be instructed to stop further work until the meeting can take place; and further, the Board of Selectmen along with Road Agent Lee Murray will inspect the area Tuesday morning.

Lee stated that he would like to begin discussions on the relocation of a portion of Clark Hill Road with the abutters. That meeting had already been scheduled to take place on Monday evening April 29, 1991 by the Administrative Assistant.

It was discussed by the Selectmen and Lee that at the present time the Town of New Boston is not interested in buying gravel from the 4-H Foundation. The Board and Lee are not comfortable with the present contractors for the Foundation who do not appear to be willing to place their trust in the Town. The price that was offer to the Town was \$1.75 per yard and the Board and Lee are not willing at this time to purchase a quantity of gravel up front.

Next in to meet with the Board of Selectmen was Harold "Bo" Strong Chairman of the Planning Board. Bo expressed a desire to have an "all Boards" meeting to discuss the Dodge Farm situation, and; more importantly, Bo contends that such a meeting would go a long way for future understanding of procedures that affect and interrelate with each department.

Discussion continued with Bo and the Planning Board's decision with regard to Dodge Farm. Selectman Dodge supports that fact that Jim Dodge should have the proper capacity of water available; however, does not necessarily feel that it has to be stored in a concrete tank. He contended that the Dodge matter was a private situation and the cost of a concrete cistern was prohibitive to the farm. Selectman Mansfield stated that in his opinion this issue needs to be addressed and understood by all. Bo stressed that Dodge Farm is a site plan and not a subdivision and feels this must be kept in mind. Discussion again ensued on the possibility of an "all Boards" meeting.

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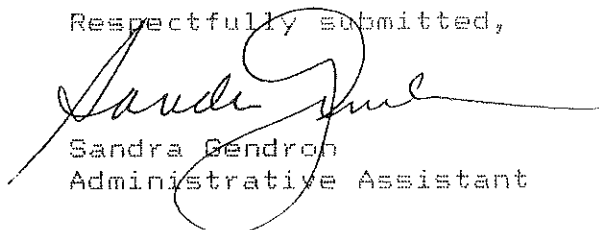
Selectman Mansfield having been the only Selectman available to meet with members of the Junior Athletic League and the Recreation Commission the previous week reported that there was not alot new to report regarding a possible joining of the JAL with the Recreation Commission. He stated that the groups might be somewhat closer to agreement; however, there is a definite power struggle and JAL appears to want all the advantages. Selectman Mansfield remains pessimistic that agreement can be reached in the near future. Joel Daniels, President and spokesperson for the JAL stated that the Town could have two separate organizations and the entire Board of Selectmen expressed disagreement with this concept.

Selectman Dodge is still pursuing avenues related to the bridge dilemma in the center of Town. He continues to have conversations with Jim Moore at the State level and will contact New Boston resident Brian Dorwart who may also have relevant information. With the Board's approval Selectman Dodge will draft a letter to Jim Moore stating the Town's position on the replacement of the bridge.

Reappointments were made and voted on unanimously by the Board of Selectmen. Letters of confirmation will be sent to the various departments. Brent Armstrong was reappointed to the Planning Board for a term of three years. A letter also went to the Planning Board stating the term of Lucien Tessier as an alternate was for three years and not the one year originally given. Richard Hechtl was reappointed to serve on the Finance Committee if he is willing to accept the appointment for a term of five years. George Oliver St. John was reappointed to the Forestry Committee for a term of three years and Betsey Dodge was reappointed to the Conservation Commission for a term of three years. Work will continue with the other commissions and committees to bring everyone up to date.

Mail was reviewed, checks were signed and the meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Sandra Gendron
Administrative Assistant