

TOWN OF NEW BOSTON

SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 19, 1994

A regular business meeting of the Board of Selectmen was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Pimenta.

PRESENT: Michael S. Pimenta, Chairman
Darlene M. Goodin, Selectman
Harold C. Strong, Selectman
Lorraine A. Cleveland, Town Administrator

REQUESTED APPOINTMENTS

Bonnie Bethune, Transfer Station Manager, was in for her monthly meeting with the Board. Lee Murray was also present for the discussion. The following issues were discussed:

- (1) Ms. Bethune informed the Board that the contract with Consumat Sanco does not expire until December 31, 1995. Therefore, the Town will not need to solicit request for proposals until next year. Consumat Sanco is now known as North Country Environmental Services. It was also noted that the Town does not have a formal contract with Sizemore Trucking. The Board felt that is important to draw up a contract for documentation.
- (2) A year-to-date report on the amount of waste received was submitted for the Board's review. Recycling revenues to date have surpassed last year's total.
- (3) Ms. Bethune reported that she is still waiting to hear from Penney Fence so they can look at the possibility of changing the front gate to a sliding gate at the Transfer Station.
- (4) The waste oil furnace project is close to completion. The installation is scheduled to take place in October. Ms. Bethune said one 500 gallon tank will be installed in the building. The other 500 gallon tank will be outside. Ms. Bethune asked if she could apply \$900 balance from the Hazardous Waste Day account for education and proper containment for the oil tanks. The Board was agreeable to that request. Lee Murray inquired about the amount of oil that will be available to run the furnace. He noted that the Town of Dublin garage uses 700 gallons per month. Ms. Bethune said the Town collects 1,000-1,200 gallons a year. She will call the Town of Dublin.
- (5) The group reviewed the recent loss prevention report from Comp. Funds of NH. Safety boots will be ordered. There was discussion over costs of Hep. B shots and medical evaluations. Those costs will be put in the 1995 budget.

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Wilfred Klardie of Pulpit Road was in to speak with the Board over several concerns about his property. The first concern has to do with the property ownership of Map 12, Lot 63. Mr. Klardie is under the assumption that the Town of New Boston owns this property. Selectman Strong explained that he had gone through all the blotter books to track previous ownership of the property. In 1951, Cheever bought 28 acres from Donovan. In 1957, Young bought 28 acres and sold two pieces to Richards. In 1960, Rossenhog bought 20.5 acres. Then, for some reason on the assessment cards, only 6.5 acres was assessed in 1987 which was corrected to 4.5 acres per a survey done by Robert Todd; Sandra Gendron began taxing Mr. Klardie for the property. Selectman Strong said he spoke with Mr. Todd who said he could not recall any such survey.

In summary, Selectman Strong recommended that Mr. Klardie speak with Mr. Todd and Thomas Moran who did survey work as well in the area. Once the property acreage can be determined, he should take the property by quiet title. Mr. Klardie said he will speak to his attorney again now that he knows the Town does not own the property.

The second issue of concern was Pulpit Road. Mr. Klardie said he would like his address to be corrected from Bedford Road to Pulpit Road. Mr. Klardie said he would like to subdivide his land on the Class VI portion of Pulpit Road. Selectman Strong explained that he will need to have a surveyor develop a plan and go before the Planning Board. The road will have to be brought up to Class V standards. The other alternative would be to create a back lot with a fifty foot right-of-way. Mr. Klardie said that is not acceptable. Selectman Strong said he would then have to speak to his surveyor.

Bud Scott was in to discuss the terms of the McCurdy Road bid. Lee Murray was present for the discussion. Mr. Scott said that he and Lee had gone over the site earlier. Mr. Scott will do the stump removal along 4,000 ft. of road for \$1.00. The rest of the job will affect the upper stretch of McCurdy Road from the end of the paved section to the pond. He will grub, shape, and gravel as much of this section as he can with remaining budget. The budget for this job including the stumping is \$35,000. Mr. Scott then quoted the hourly rates for the equipment: \$35/hr. dump truck--\$48/hr with a trailer; \$60/hr. loader; \$90/hr. excavator; \$50/hr. small backhoe; and \$50/hr. small bulldozer. Mr. Murray said the paving next year will run between \$40,000-45,000. Chairman Pimenta asked when he could start. Mr. Scott said Wednesday or Thursday of this week.

Selectman Strong stated to Mr. Scott for the record that he is in
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agreement on how the work is to be done. However, he is not in agreement with the way Mr. Scott bid the job. It was not prepared like the others. He did not feel it was right or fair and if it was voted now, he would not vote for it. He hopes this will not happen next time.

Chairman Pimenta asked for a motion to award the bid. Selectman Goodin motioned to award the stump removal bid to Bud Scott and the remaining work contingent upon acceptable hourly rates for the equipment. Chairman Pimenta seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The Board and Mr. Murray continued the discussion over the Scobie Road petition from last week. Ms. Cleveland informed the Board that if the traffic speed survey reveals that 80% of the traffic is traveling at a lower speed than posted, not less than 25 mph, the Board may lower the speed. In the case of Scobie Road, the survey revealed that 80% of the traffic traveled at or less than 30 mph. The Board acted on the petition by voting to lower it to 30 mph. Mr. Murray will post the road. In relation to other roads, the Board and Mr. Murray agreed that a comprehensive speed survey will be done beginning with the center of Town. He will start with Mill St. and Meetinghouse Hill Road. Each speed count will run three days. The Board will then review the results and act accordingly if they fall within state statute requirements.

Mr. Murray informed the Board about a plugged culvert on property owned by Stephen Singer above Summit Drive. His concern is that the water level is at the present level of the private right-of-way. It could be a potential problem for the Town's cul-de-sac if the water level becomes too high. The pond also serves as a fire pond.

The Board briefly discussed the Helena Drive petition submitted by Michael Stickney last week. The Board requested that Ms. Cleveland prepare a response to Mr. Stickney saying that the matter will be handled through the budgetary process and presented at next year's Town Meeting.

In reference to the Doris Fillmore's request for a zoning waiver regarding the commercial status of the downstairs portion of her duplex, the Board agreed that no new evidence has been submitted to show that the Selectmen have such authority to grant a waiver. Therefore, the Board unanimously agreed to deny her request.

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ADMINISTRATIVE

The Board reviewed and approved the weekly payroll and accounts payable.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Selectman Strong made a motion to accept the public and nonpublic September 12 meeting minutes as written. Selectman Goodin seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Cleveland informed the Board that she received quotes to replace the front door lock and crash bar mechanism and install a crash bar on the unused door. The cost will be at the most \$867 including the new keys. A discussion ensued over other renovations that are needed to the building, such as outside painting, floor replacement, and fire code requirements. These items will be addressed in the 1995 budget.

The Selectmen reviewed a notice from Kendall Wiggin, Chairman of the Board of Library Trustees which states that Sally Moran has resigned as Library Trustee. The Library Trustees recommend that Pat Jennings be appointed to fill out her term which expires in March 1995. Selectman Strong motioned to appoint Pat Jennings as Library Trustee until March 1995. Selectman Goodin seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Ms. Cleveland read excerpts from the 1994 GZA water quality report, relative to the monitoring wells at the landfill. The report states that since the landfill closure, the leachate contaminates have substantially decreased.

Tom May, Manager of the Co-op Bank, sent a letter to the Board requesting information regarding an underground tank at 18 High Street. To the Board's knowledge, there have not been any problems associated with the tank on that property. Ms. Cleveland will respond accordingly.

The Board then reviewed a letter from Christine Barass in which she requests that the Town provide crossing guards at the school. The Board asked that a copy of the letter be given to Chief McLaughlin for his review.

Chairman Pimenta asked for a motion to adjourn into nonpublic session to discuss a personnel issue. Selectman Goodin made a motion to adjourn into nonpublic session pursuant to RSA 91-A:311a to discuss a personnel matter and to sequester the minutes pursuant to RSA 91-A:3111. Selectman Strong seconded the motion.

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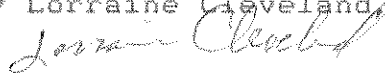
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The roll call was: Michael Pimenta-yes; Darlene Goodin-yes; and Harold Strong-yes. Lorraine Cleveland was present to record the minutes.

Chairman Pimenta motioned to adjourn out of nonpublic session for the purpose of the adjourning the meeting. Selectman Goodin seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Lorraine Cleveland, Town Administrator

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Lorraine Cleveland", is written over the typed name in the signature line.