

TOWN OF NEW BOSTON

SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES

October 30, 1995

A regular 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
Gordon A. Carlstrom, Selectman
Todd I. Selig, Town Administrator

Selectman Goodin made a motion to accept the minutes of the October 23, 1995 Selectmen's Meeting as written. Selectman Carlstrom seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Road Agent Lee Murray came before the Board to discuss various issues relating to the Highway Department. Mr. Murray lost one private snow plow driver over the course of the last year and approached the Selectmen to determine if he could hire a replacement driver. The Selectmen gave Mr. Murray their permission to hire an additional snow plow driver.

Mr. Howard Towne came before the Board at the Selectmen's request to discuss the use of the upper hall on the Second Floor of the Town Hall. In a letter from the Board of Selectmen to Mr. Towne dated April 18, 1988, the Joe English Grange was given the exclusive use of the upper hall, with the exception that one-half of the upper hall could always be used by the Town for storage space. At the present time, however, the Recreation Department would like to utilize the upper hall for recreational programming due to overcrowding and limited space at the New Boston Central School. The Selectmen asked Mr. Towne if the Town could be permitted to utilize the upper hall for recreational programming on a fairly regular basis. Mr. Towne said that he would have to bring the matter up with the other Joe English Grange members. Chairman Pimenta explained that the Town would be willing to clean the upper hall on a regular basis, and would consider treating the floor with varnish if needed.

Mr. Walter "Bucky/Yogi" Leach of Roby Road came before the Selectmen to complain about the effect the "no thru trucking" ordinance on Bedford Road has had on local haulers. Two of Mr. Leach's trucks were picked up last week for utilizing Bedford Road to access the New Boston Tracking Station. Mr. Leach would like the ability to utilize Bedford Road for local hauling. The Selectmen were open to this idea and plan to discuss the matter with the Police Chief next week.

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June Hicks, Chuck Forsaith, and Nancy Clark came before the Selectmen individually to discuss their desires to serve on the Recreation Commission. Ursula Gordon appeared before the Selectmen last week regarding this same issue. After careful consideration, Selectman Goodin made a motion to appoint Nancy Clark (6 Bedford Road) to the New Boston Recreation Commission to fill Judy Weatherwax-Knight's vacant seat/term which expires in March of 1997. Selectman Carlstrom seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board of Selectmen plan to meet this Thursday, 11/2/95, at 7:00 p.m., at the New Boston Fire Department, with the Fire Wards of New Boston, to determine if any changes should be made to the New Boston Large Building Fire Code at 1996 Town Meeting. Also, regulations regarding cisterns will be discussed.

Town Administrator Selig reminded the Selectmen that the Town was scheduled to appear before the N.H. Board of Tax and Land Appeals on Tuesday, 10/31/95, at 9:00 a.m., to defend the Town against an appeal brought by HILCO.

The Selectmen discussed an idea brought forward by the Friends of the Library concerning a "community calendar" which could be established at the Town Hall. The calendar would illustrate all municipal and private activities which were planned for a given day in New Boston. The Friends of the Library feel this sort of resource would be most beneficial to all New Boston organizations planning to hold activities in the Town. Mr. Selig was asked to explore the idea of placing the calendar in an enclosed case outside the Town Hall for easy access and availability. Other issues which must be discussed include: Who will update the calendar? Is there room in either the Town Hall or Library lobby area to place such a calendar?

The Board reviewed a letter received from Mr. Ed Lee of 260 Clark Hill Road regarding various issues, including an alleged junk yard violation on a neighbor's property, alleged water contamination, etc. Town Administrator Selig explained that he had passed the letter along to Building Inspector Dennis Sarette for review.

The Board of Selectmen set the 1996 Holiday Schedule for full time employees of New Boston.

Selectman Goodin volunteered to light the lights on the Town Christmas Tree on the Town Common during the annual tree lighting event scheduled for 12/3/95 at 6:00 p.m.

Mr. Selig explained that the Ford Explorer 4x4 Police Cruiser

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again had to have its transmission replaced. The repairs were covered by warranty.

Mr. Selig explained that he was still in the process of issuing cease and desist order against AMRESKO located at 636 N. Mast Road due to Large Building Code violations. The Goffstown District Court is not sure at the present time how to process the paperwork properly.

The Selectmen were each given a copy of the Town's new Joint Loss Management Program which was developed by the New Boston Safety Committee.

The Selectmen had not yet had an opportunity to review the first draft copy of the Town's personnel policies which were prepared by Mr. Selig and submitted for review to the Board last week. The Selectmen are pondering how they want to handle employee wage/salary increases.

Chairman Pimenta and Mr. Selig will attend the third of a three-part land use seminar this Wednesday, 11/1/95, in Manchester at 7:00 p.m., sponsored by the New Hampshire Municipal Association and the Southern N.H. Planning Commission. The topic this week will be the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

Mr. Selig updated the Selectmen on welfare reform legislation which is being discussed at the State level in Concord.

The next department head meeting is scheduled for this Wednesday, 11/1/95, at 9:00 a.m., in the Town Hall Conference Room.

The Board reviewed and signed payroll and accounts payable checks.

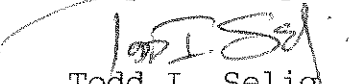
Chairman Pimenta signed pistol permits.

The Board signed intent to cut forms.

The Board signed other miscellaneous correspondence and materials.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Todd I. Selig
Town Administrator