

Selectmen's Minutes

October 18, 1999

A regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen was called to order by Selectman Lois Briere at 7:05 PM.

PRESENT:

Lois Briere-Selectman
Gordon Carlstrom-Selectman
Burton Reynolds-Town Administrator

ABSENT:

Susan Clay-Selectman - illness

PUBLIC COMMENT

1) David and Karen Kersting asked how to best proceed with a deeding bill due the Town on 10/19/99. A closing was to have taken place but there are now some questions as to whether the lot is one parcel or two. A subdivision proposal may have to go through the Planning Board before things can be finalized. The Town Administrator outlined three options: obtain the funds to pay the deeded amount of taxes, ask for another extension, or have the Town take the property but then buy it back when the subdivision plan is approved. They decided to pay the deeded amount of tax noted in the deed letter now via a certified check with the difference due to interest from the original due date payable by personal check.

PART-TIME CLERICAL POSITION INTERVIEWS NON-PUBLIC

Voting to go into non-public session under RSA 91-A:3b Gordon-yes Lois-yes

Also discussed was a part-time person for the Highway Department

Entered at 7:15 PM and Exit at 9:10 PM

Authorization was given to hire Andrew Luneau as a part-time member of the Highway Department. The clerical position will be discussed again next week.

MINUTES

Minutes of 10/4/99 were approved as written.

OLD BUSINESS

1) Waiting for updated quote from Carter Sprinkler. Hoping to place about \$10,000 more in CRF for sprinkler for Town Hall and have the project done in 2000. Board also wanted costs for replacing the Town Hall roof and asked Burton to obtain some.

2) Letter to Doug Hill on changing the name of George Drive was approved. The letter asks the Fire Department for a 911-type review. Then the Board will discuss whether to approve the change.

3) Planning Update: Hogan auto repair garage was approved last meeting, looking at cistern options, waiting for Fire Department review of residential sprinkler options

NEW BUSINESS

- 1) Budget through the 3rd Qtr. is in good shape. No major problems. Due to State Supreme Court ruling that the Statewide Property tax as passed by the legislature is not acceptable, the tax rate cannot yet be set or tax bills sent. Right now cash on hand is around 2M so we have enough to pay bills as long as a solution is reached soon so the December bills can go out.
- 2) Set the date for the Deliberative Session as Monday, February 7th with a snow date of 2/10
- 3) The Board will meet on Friday, October 29th along with the benefits subcommittee to discuss those issues and the alone to review Selectmen budget accounts for 2000.
- 4) An engineer from Dufense-Henry will be up at Mr. Delores' at 7:30 AM Thursday to consider his request the Town reconfigure how the culvert by his home has been placed.
- 5) The Census had asked that the Town participate in a program to assist with last minute arrivals. The Board felt the Post Office would be able to give them the newest arrivals and a supplemental program was not needed.
- 6) Gordon will contact the Cemetery Trustees to meet on considering a public vs. private arrangement for the future. It has been private but now almost all the funds needed for upkeep are public.
- 7) The Municipal Conference is Nov. 3,4&5. The Board looked at the schedule to see if any of them wanted to go and to review the seminars the Administrator was planning to attend.
- 8) The Administrator will also be going to a free Risk Management Conference on 11/12
- 9) The Board asked the Administrator to call Mr. Morrissey over on Mill St. Town Counsel had sent him a letter three to four weeks ago asking that he contact us about the wall he has started. It needs to be either outside the Town "right of way" or if in it, back far enough so it would not interfere with plowing. To date, there had been no word from Mr. Morrissey.

Motion to adjourn at 10:30 PM by Gordon Carlstrom with 2nd by Lois Briere.

Burton Reynolds
Town Administrator