

Selectmen's Minutes  
9 September 2002  
7:00pm

The Chair, Jenifer Landman, called the scheduled public session to order at 7:00pm. Those present included Lloyd Sullivan, Allen Hines (selectmen) and Russell McAllister, (Town Administrator).

### **NHMA Personnel Recruitment Service Postponed to 9/11/02 BOS Meeting**

*a. Donetta Haley – Recruitment Services for TA position*

### **Birch Road No Parking Signs**

*a. Ms. Dockerty*

Ms. Dockerty addressed the issue of “No Parking” signs posted along Birch Road by noting the number of signs. Ms. Dockerty felt there were too many. She inquired about how so many came to be installed. Mr. Sullivan explained that the Planning Board had established the number as a condition of approval for the expansion of the Seacoast Indoor Tennis Club. It was noted that some residents who were present at the Planning Board deliberations had asked that the signs be installed. It was suggested that Ms. Dockerty poll her neighbors to ascertain whether or not they favored fewer signs along Birch Road. If so, then Ms. Dockerty should collect signatures of the Birch Road resident and present it to the Board for action.

### **Selectmen Issues**

*Planning Board Engineering Consultant*

Mr. Roger Roy, formerly of Appledore Engineering addressed the Board. Mr. Roy explained that he was willing to provide his civil consultant services now that Appledore Engineering was exiting the field of plan review consultants. Ms. Landman thanked Mr. Roy for his offer. Ms. Landman explained that the Board would be issuing an RFP for engineering services shortly. Mr. Roy thanked the Board for their time. Mr. Sullivan made the motion to issue the RFP for engineering services. Mr. Hines seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and so moved.

*North Hill Common Trees*

Mr. Byron Kirby was present on behalf of Stanley Knowles (Tree Warden). Mr. Kirby noted that the trenching for the electrical wires for the new lighting fixtures was not a problem for the health of the trees on the common. He explained that the problem was the current drought.

*911 Candlelight Service*

Ms. Landman noted that a candlelight service was planned for 7:30pm at the North Hill Common in memoriam to the victims of September 11<sup>th</sup>.

*Elections*

Ms. Landman noted that elections were scheduled for the next day and that individual Selectmen needed to be present during the day to monitor the election.

*Portrait of Hobbs*

Ms. Landman noted that Janet Taylor, President of The North Hampton Historical Society, advised the BoS that the Hobbs portrait was being framed with UV-protective glass prior to being exhibited in the Town Office space above the police station.

*Candidates Night for State Representatives*

Ms. Landman advised the BoS of the arrangements for the Evening with the Candidates. There was a concern about the adequacy of the parking. Ms. Landman was going to try reserving the Winnicunnet High School auditorium.

*Potassium Iodide (KI)*

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Fire Chief Lambert explained that applications for receiving a KI tablet were available at the Town Clerk's office.

The selectmen reviewed correspondence and/or signed:

**Administration/Business**

- a. Minutes
- b. Manifest
- c. Dennis Mires – Preliminary Schematic Design for Cherry Road DPW (fee = 3,500 / 500 down)

Mr. Hines made the motion to approve the non-public meeting minutes of 8/26 & 9/4, and public minutes of 8/26 and 9/4. Mr. Sullivan seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and so moved.

The TA explained that Dennis Mires had prepared a contract for the associated design work for the Highway shed relocation to the Cherry Road site. The fee was \$3,500 with an initial deposit to begin the work of \$500. Mr. Sullivan voted to approve the contract for design work and approve the \$500 down payment. Mr. Hines seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and so moved.

- d. Dennis Mires – Renovate Former Town Office Building (fee = 5,500 / 500 down)

The TA explained that the renovation costs to the old Town Office amounted to \$51,000. Due to the estimated cost of the renovation, it was agreed that this project should go before the voters and to proceed with the design phase only. Of the \$5,500 for architectural fees \$1,800 represented the design costs. The TA asked if the Board wanted to move ahead with the design costs. Mr. Sullivan made the motion to approve funding for the design work associated with the renovations to the old Town Office. Mr. Hines seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and so moved.

- e. OSP invoice (5,000) – Sustainability of Ground Water Resources

The TA explained that the NH Office of State Planning had issued an invoice to the Town for \$5,000 for the Town's share of the ground water study. Funding for the study was approved at the previous Town meeting. Mr. Sullivan made the motion to approve the \$5,000 expenditure associated with the ground water study. Mr. Hines seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and so moved.

- f. Coakley Minutes
- g. Executive Council Newsletter
- h. Nursing Home Data

**Questions & Comments**

The issue of lighting, trenching and the health of the trees on the North Hill Common flared-up with allegations of conspiracy and nefarious plotting bandied about to the merriment of some and consternation of others. Facilis descensus averno!

There being no further business to come before the Board Mr. Hines made a motion to adjourn. Ms. Landman seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and so moved. The public meeting adjourned at approximately 8:15pm. Ms. Landman made the motion to enter into non-public session under RSA 91-A:3 II (a) to discuss personnel issues. Mr. Hines seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and so moved.

Respectfully,

Russell McAllister  
Town Administrator

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