

**Town of New Boston
Selectmen's Meeting
May 1, 2000**

Chairperson Lois Briere called a regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen to order at 7:06 PM.

PRESENT:

Lois Briere	Chairperson
Gordon Carlstrom	Selectman
David Delorey	Selectman
Burton Reynolds	Town Administrator

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Ed DiPietro raised a question regarding road drainage. This subject is on the agenda for the evening.

APPOINTMENT:

7 PM Donetta Haley NHMA

This appointment was cancelled and will be on the agenda for May 8th, 2000.

MINUTES:

The Minutes of April 24, 2000 were approved with amendments and corrections. Gordon made a motion, Dave seconded, all in favor.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. **Lyndeboro Road Bridge** - Holden Engineering has asked for additional funding to complete the project for three reasons; additional work required to satisfy DES permit, salary for geo-technical engineer, and one year delay in construction. The town is responsible for twenty percent of the additional cost of \$5629.00. There is money in the budget to cover this amount. Gordon made a motion and Dave seconded to pay Holden Engineering the additional \$1125.80. All in favor.
2. **Retirement Plan** - Implementation date for town's share for new employees was discussed and set to start at the end of the probationary period. Funds will be matched at this time. Gordon made a motion, Dave seconded, all in favor.
3. **Planning Issues** -
 - A) **Parker Academy** - Ed Kruger plans to open the school with a minimum of 50 students in September of year 2000. There are still planning issues to overcome before this takes place.
 - B) **Digitizing the tax maps** - Bob Todd gave his recommendations to the planning board as far as digitizing the tax maps. Software for the Planning Board should be ordered and training provided for Nic. Fee for plans not submitted in disc in GIS format is approximately \$150.00 per page.

4. **Gravel Road Specs** - Selectmen reviewed the amended specifications for the town's gravel roads and made changes. Dave will rewrite the specs and the road committee will review these again.
5. **Parker Road** - After some discussion it was decided to post Parker Road "No Through Trucking" from 7 PM to 7 AM. However, this will have to be waived if the bridge in downtown Goffstown is closed when repaired. This applies to that section of Parker Road from the intersection of Howe Bridge to route 114. Gordon motioned, Dave seconded, all in favor. A second motion was made by Dave to refer the matter of setting advisory signs to the road agent and the chief of police for evaluation due to the width of the road, sight distances and the type of vehicles traveling the roadways. This would be from the intersection of Parker and Riverdale Roads heading towards route 114. Gordon seconded the motion, all in favor. This evaluation will determine whether to erect yellow advisory signs on blind corners and hazardous areas of Parker Road. It was also decided to make the truck routes consistent each of the gravel pits owned by Harold C. Strong. Burton will review all of this with the police and highway departments before sending a letter to William Brendle, who will then notify the residents of Parker Road of these changes.
6. **Letter to Mark Anderson** - After examining the files, it was determined that the time period has lapsed for an appeal of the current use assessment, therefore the board has no authority to offer Dr. Anderson a refund. There was an appeal made back in July of 1997 regarding the Building Permit fees and at that time, the board denied his request for a refund. The Selectmen reviewed a rough draft of a letter and added a paragraph to address the issue of land parcels being moved in and out of current use in the past. Burton will finalize the letter and mail it to Mark Anderson. Dave made a motion to send the letter as revised, Gordon seconded, all in favor.

APPOINTMENTS:

8 PM Brenda Lind Marvel Land

After much discussion, it was determined that there are three areas of concern regarding public use of the Marvel property that need to be clarified with Ken Marvel. The first is access with notice. There was discussion of possibly a sign-in book for visitors with maybe a map of the trails showing which ones are open or closed. The second concern was who will be responsible in the future for perpetuating a reasonable number of trails on the property. In addition was the concern for designated roadside parking. These items need to be addressed and written into the agreement.

BREAK - Meeting called back to order at 9:43 by Chairperson Lois Briere.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Fire Inspector Job Description** - this was reviewed with minor changes and will be rewritten.

2. **Health Officer** - Dr. McDonald is leaving for New York as of June 1, 2000. Dennis Sarrette has offered to take over the position as health officer. Burton will be sending a letter to the State of NH so that Dennis can be appointed as Health Officer. Gordon made a motion, Dave seconded, all in favor.
3. **Selectmen's Summer Schedule** -meetings will be held on the following dates; June 5th, June 12(Bye), June 26th, July 10th, July 24th, Aug 7th, Aug 21st, Aug 28th(Bye), Sept 11th. No meeting will be held on Labor Day.
4. **Highway Department Summer Schedule** - hours of operation from May through end of October are Monday through Thursday from 6:30 AM until 5:00 PM. The Board did NOT agree to amend wording in Town Council's letter to the court re: an injunction.
5. **Letter from Peter & Kim Hogan** - a request was made by the Hogan's to attach a letter as part of the April 3, 2000 record of proceedings to add clarification to the meeting. Gordon made a motion, Dave seconded, all in favor. Burton will send a letter to the Hogans to notify them that their letter is being attached.
6. **Michelle Merron** - has submitted her letter of resignation as deputy town clerk and Highway and Building Department Secretary. Burton will be interviewing someone for the position this week
7. **Planning Board Recording Secretary** - April Harty has been offered this position at the rate of Step II, (\$10.06 per hour), and will be starting on May 8, 2000.
8. **Paving Quotes** - Lee Murray has gotten a quote of \$30.75 per ton from Continental Paving. This is in line with other paving companies and they have done good work for the town in the past.
9. **Road Committee Meeting** - The Bunker Hill and Wilson Hill accounts have some remaining money in them.
10. **Logging, Map 7 Lot 1** - Bob Todd presented the results of his test case on the timber yield tax. This cut should be graded "high", the town thus receiving \$3,000.00 more than it's used "average" grading. These criteria ought to be applied to the small cuts as well as the large cuts. The Board agreed to discuss this further on May 15th and to approve the use of the high rating of this cut.
11. **Library/Recreation Study Committee** - meeting to be held Wednesday, May 3, 2000 at 7:00 PM.

Lois made a motion to adjourn, Dave seconded, at 10:48 PM. All in favor.

Cindy Romano