

**Town of New Boston  
Selectmen's Meeting  
February 12, 2001**

A regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen was called to order by Gordon Carlstrom at 7:08 PM.

<b>PRESENT:</b>	Gordon Carlstrom	Chairperson
	Mark Anderson	Selectman
	David Delorey	Selectman
	Burton Reynolds	Town Administrator

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Tim Cady inquired about the status of the Parker Property. The agreement between the two parties regarding the easement is not completed yet. The Selectmen hope to have a final agreement in place before voting in March.

**MINUTES:** Mark motioned to accept the minutes of January 22<sup>nd</sup>, with the appropriate changes. Dave seconded the motion. All in favor. Dave moved to accept the minutes of January 29<sup>th</sup> with corrections, Mark seconded the motion. All in favor.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- 1) **Planning Issues** - At last week's meeting the Planning Board approved the extension of the Friendly Beaver Campground. Issues with Cochran Hill Road, a Class VI road, still need to be finalized. Leslie Nixon is working together with the Quirk's attorney on this matter. Nic Strong, Planning Coordinator, has been subpoenaed to appear in court to testify to the chronology of events with regard to Mr. Joe Foistner's subdivision. Mr. Foistner's investor in the Phase III development was under the assumption that the necessary paperwork was in place and the project is ready to move forward. The extension on the preliminary permit is possible, but Mr. Foistner has not asked the town for an extension. Burton is requesting a letter of response from Attorney Bill Drescher regarding Mr. Foistner's original letter to the Town.
- 2) **2001 Warrant** - Burton reviewed the amendments to the warrant articles with the Selectmen and will finalize them for a final review before voting in March.
- 3) **Monbouquette - Status of Issues** - The Selectmen reviewed a list of complaints brought to the Selectmen by Pat Monbouquette of Clark Hill Road. The issues that still need to be resolved include puddling in her driveway, the removal of loam from her property, rocks being graded into the field, and stakes being placed near the culvert. A meeting will be scheduled during the next couple of months between Pat Monbouquette, Lee Murray, Bo Strong, Ed Ranger and the Selectmen for the purpose of resolving these issues.



**New Boston Recycles!** – Gordon Carlstrom salvaged a fire extinguisher recently from “Bonnie’s Boutique”, saving the Fire Department the expense. It is now mounted on one of New Boston’s fire trucks. Thank you Gordon!

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- 1) **Goals for 2001** - The Selectmen reviewed and amended their list of goals for the year 2001 with Burton.
- 2) **Bookkeeper** - Burton requested permission of the Selectmen to proceed with bringing the bookkeeper in-house, rather than continue using MRI. Cassandra from MRI has agreed to do the training. The books for year 2000 are closed and are now balanced.
- 3) **Candidates for Elected Office** - write-ins for Selectman are as follows:  
Dave Woodbury of McCurdy Road and Christine Quirk of Cochran Hill Road.

**OTHER:**

- 1) **Holden Transportation** is ready to work on the permits. The original contract for design work cost \$4500.00, which is paid already, and \$3800.00 for wetlands permits.
- 2) **Ed Lee**, formerly of Clark Hill Road, has requested a receipt from the Town for the exchange of property in the Clark Hill Road project. Burton will write Mr. Lee a letter and send him a copy of the warranty deed outlining the exchange of the easement.
- 3) **Dave Woodbury** – a question was raised as to whether Mr. Woodbury could be both a cemetery trustee AND a Selectmen at the same time. It was determined that he could hold both positions if desired.
- 4) **Grant Application** – Janet Nixon is filling out an application for the Town to receive grant monies for the preservation of the Whipple Barns.
- 5) **Tax Error** – A driveway has been started on the corner of South Hill Road and Route 13. The neighboring landowner has been taxed on this property erroneously and is claiming ownership. The abutting owners must settle this matter in court before the Town can correct the tax map. In the meantime, the Town continues to bill the owner according to the tax map.
- 6) **Supreme Court Rulings** – Burton received clarification that the Tax Lien and Deed Process, which was amended in 1998 is okay, (on January 30<sup>th</sup>). The court upheld SB-2 towns to have a three-fifths bond vote. This means the tax collectors should resume their present tax and lien deed process.
- 7) **Verizon** – Dave called Verizon regarding cellular service plans. They will be coming in to speak to the Selectmen in the near future.
- 8) **Police** – An update was requested by the Selectmen regarding the status of the part-time police officers that resigned. Burton reported that Leslie Nixon prepared the necessary documents for the Town, they were served, and she is waiting to hear from them.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Brandy Mitroff of Thornton Road brought to the attention of the Selectmen the fact that Asplundhi Tree Removal cut up a tree on Thornton Road and left the sections in the snowbank.

Dave made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:08 PM, Mark seconded the motion. All were in favor.

*Prepared by Cindy Romano.*