

**Town of New Boston  
Selectmen's Meeting  
March 8, 2001**

A regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen was called to order by Gordon Carlstrom at 7:05 PM.

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

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**      None

**APPOINTMENTS:**

**7:00 PM      Conservation Commission - Mill Street Cons. Parking&Access**  
Brenda Linde, Burt Tupper, and Kathy Morrissey were present to discuss the Conservation Commission's needs for parking and access to the Mill Street Conservation property. They would like to come to an agreement with the Morrisseys to include two permanent parking spaces on or near the property, with access for Emergency vehicles across the easement. The location needs to be clarified and documented, including the width and length of the easement. Brenda further stated that the current easement cannot be deeded back to the landowner without legislative action. The Morrisseys have requested "Dawn to Dusk" parking signs, "Slow Children" signs, and lowering of the streetlight. PSNH will not lower the light to less than eighteen feet, (close to it's current height), if it remains over the road. It was suggested that the town could spin the light to face toward the Conservation Area and follow the national electric code height of fourteen feet. The Town was agreeable to placing the signs near the entrance to the Conservation property. Kathy Morrissey stated that she and her husband **are not** open to the concept of cars parking **on** the Conservation property and would prefer that the public park in public lots (e.g. Town Hall parking lot). After discussing the parking options, it was decided that Burton would write a letter of response to Mr. & Mrs. Bill Morissey.

**APPOINTMENT:**

**7:30 PM      David and Jacquelyn Delorey      Drainage Issues**  
Dave excused himself from the Board for this portion of the meeting due to a personal conflict of interest. The Deloreys have asked for reimbursement from the Town for out of pocket expenses of \$17,782.30, for the installation of a drainage system and the burying of utility lines in front of their home. The Deloreys feel that when the Town built the new roadbed, it impacted their drainage system, and they did not want new utility poles and lines obstructing the view in front of their home. Gordon read the proposed settlement letter, which amounted to \$8,214.13. This figure represents reimbursement for materials (\$2,219.91), consumables (\$234.06), "outside" professional

fees (\$532.00), maintenance expenses (\$210.92), and tools (\$182.24). Also included are forty hours of labor with backhoe at \$65/hour (\$2600). Additionally, \$2,235.00 is allocated toward miscellaneous expenses including some of the equipment costs incurred. The Board does not feel the Town should cover legal costs or any fees for professional services. This amount was not satisfactory to the Deloreys and they asked that the Selectmen consider *all* expenses incurred. The Selectmen will reconsider and meet again with the Deloreys at the next meeting.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- 1) **Planning Issues** – Several New Boston residents were in attendance to discuss the multiple complaints and allegations made by Joseph Foistner of Foxberry Lane. The public has asked that the Selectmen take a course of action before Mr. Foistner destroys the community spirit. The Selectmen would like to consult Attorney Bill Drescher for a written supportable approach to resolve this matter. The public urged the Selectmen to finally put an end to Mr. Foistner's allegations.
- 2) **Bookkeeper** – The applicant for the bookkeeper's position has asked for an increase to \$20/hr. due to daycare expenses. After discussing other options, the Selectmen agreed to offer the applicant \$17.50 per hour. Burton will convey this offer.
- 3) **Class VI Road – Cochran Hill** – Selectmen reviewed and amended letter to the Quirks of Cochran Hill Road. Verbage will include the upgrade of the road in the future to Class V and with it, maintenance by the Town, for the portion used by the public for access to any public facilities.
- 4) **2000 Town Report** – The results of the election and a listing of the correct town office holders of record are missing in the report. Selectmen suggested the printing of inserts on adhesive paper as a remedy to the problem. The consensus of the Board was that the Selectmen will review the contents of the report next year before it's publishing.

#### **OTHER:**

- 1) **Snow Days** – Burton asked the Selectmen for a decision on whether to compensate town employees for hours missed due to major snowstorms. After some discussion, the Selectmen agreed to reimburse town employees.

Dave made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:25 PM. Mark seconded the motion. All were in favor.

*Prepared by Cindy Romano*