

MINUTES - SELECTMEN'S MEETING - October 23, 1989

Present for the meeting were Selectmen Mansfield, Dodge and Johnston with Sandra Gendron taking minutes.

The meeting opened with discussion of whether or not we have a leash law being enforced in New Boston. Sandra Gendron remembered that at some point it seemed that the Town voted on a leash law question by ballot and she will try to find evidence to support her contention.

Road Agent Lee Murray was in to discuss the Olmsted Subdivision on South Hill Road and potential road changes around the property owned by Gardner Page. Lee questioned whether the Town might be willing to purchase land that might help alleviate the very dangerous corner by Mr. Pages' and if something like this were feasible might it be incorporated in the final subdivision plan. It was Lee's opinion that the Town should get their 50' row in place, with the potential of future subdivision in the area Lee would like to see the Town secure it's position as much as possible. Since Mr. Olmsted does not appear to be willing to accommodate the Town's desire to improve the road in the area of that particularly dangerous corner and since the Town does not have funding available for purchasing land in the area needing attention, the Selectmen did not feel we are in a position to force anything and the subdivision of the lot in this area would go through.

Bruce Fillmore, Joe English Road, was in to request moving his existing business "Designs that Work" from its present location on Route #13 in a building he rents from his parents to his home on Joe English Road. He would like to move the business into his basement and felt it would qualify as a "home business". Discussion ensued as to this proposed business being conducted entirely within the home, a definition that had been arrived at earlier in the year when an all-boards meeting was held. After much discussion it was agreed by all that since a portion of the business was to be conducted outside the home, much of it would be site work, and since the family member employee was not a member of Mr. Fillmore's immediate family then the permit would be denied by the Selectmen and submitted to the ZBA for a special exception under Art. 3-2-c.

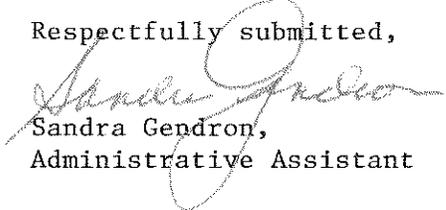
The Selectmen tried to reach Jim Daragon, the contractor who had been hired to re-roof the former Town Office Building. The work has been done and the roof is definitely leaking. The problem appears to be around the intricate wooden shingles which were revealed when the slate roof was stripped off. The Historical Society wishing to preserve these unusual shingles below the cupola put time and effort into seeing that they were restored to what they once were. The Selectmen will arrange a meeting with Mr. Daragon to try to determine the exact problem and what can be done to rectify it.

Ronald Brenner Health Officer submitted his resignation; however, a subsequent conversation with Selectman Mansfield indicates he will retract this resignation at this time and remain Health Officer for the Town of New Boston.

Fire Chief James Dodge was in to discuss portions of his budget which relate to getting the large community generator running.

There being no further business, checks were signed, mail reviewed and the meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Sandra Gendron,
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