

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes

March 15, 1999

First order of business was election of the Board "chair" for 1999. Motion by Lois Briere to elect Susan Clay, 2nd by Gordon Carlstrom, all voted in favor. The Board also agreed to the following rotation on the Planning Board: Susan, Gordon, and Lois.

A regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen was called to order at 7:10PM by Chairperson Clay.

PRESENT:

Susan Clay – Chairperson
Lois Briere – Selectman
Gordon Carlstrom – Selectman
Burton Reynolds – Town Administrator

SCHEDULED APPOINTMENTS

- 1) Bonnie Bethune was in to discuss a number of issues related to the Transfer Station.
 - a) Burton confirmed the bill for the fence work, held over since December, had been paid given the affirmative vote for the warrant article at Town Meeting.
 - b) Bonnie is looking for a laptop computer and printer. Has not completed looking at all the options but does know it can be done within the 2K budget. Gordon suggested, and the Board agreed, she should wait until late April. Prices may drop more soon with the new Intel chips just coming on the market.
 - c) Revised wording is being worked out for the contract with All Clear of Weare as our septage site. The Solid Waste Committee will finalize now that Town Meeting has approved moving ahead with this arrangement.
 - d) Elaine has completed the 2 day DES course to be certified. We now have 3 who are: Elaine, Deb, and Bonnie.
 - e) When the weather improves, we need to look at replacing the sills to the office.
 - f) Chuck Kaczmarczyk hopes to be able to find at federal surplus a free 250 gal tank to hold diesel fuel so they will not have to continue to get via 5 gallon cans at the highway shed.
 - g) Bonnie hopes to work with Chuck on a site assessment to improve safety in general, and specifically for Hazardous Waste Day. There was a question as to whether Bonnie could be "deputized" to better enforce Transfer Station rules. Burton was to talk with Chief McLaughlin about this.

- 2) The Fire Wards and John Bunting were in for a discussion on street numbering. John related the types of concerns we have. He, Claire, Dennis, and Burton have been working on some improved procedures. The Fire Wards were asked for their input. They and the Board felt those involved should continue their efforts. John will check

with a few other towns to see how they handle a few specific situations we have found difficult to resolve.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of 3/8/99 were approved as written on a motion by Lois Briere, 2nd Susan Clay. Gordon Carlstrom abstained as he was not a member of the Board on that date.

OLD BUSINESS

- 1) Lois Briere has completed her research on the LaPenn site. They claim the road by their house is private and the town has been maintaining it is a town road. Mr. LaPenn wishes to resolve. It was decided a site walk would take place Friday, April 2 at 10AM. Then the Board will have Lois explain her research at the April 5th Board meeting. Mr. LaPenn would then come in the next week, April 12th.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1) A recount has been requested on Article 3, the zoning amendments. It was decided the Board, Town Clerk Margit Hooper, and Moderator Lee Nyquist would meet to perform the recount at 8AM Monday 3/22
- 2) The Board had two suggestions related to the warrant. They felt the warrant articles should be in the same order as the CIP priorities. Also, they felt zoning articles should be separate unless the issues were related. The Board asked Burton to write to the Planning Board expressing this opinion. Gordon moved, 2nd Lois Briere, all approved
- 3) While discussing Planning Board issues, the topic of how applications are processed was questioned. The Board would like Claire to give them the rationale behind the current process and what options could be considered to allow Planning Board members to be better informed.
- 4) Joe Foistner has called and asked for a copy of the Large Building Fire Code compliance inspection report for the Dodge Farm. The Board felt we should treat this as an isolated request and go ahead and respond. The other option was to treat it as part of a much larger request for documents that the Board answered via Town Council Leslie Nixon back several months ago.
- 5) It was decided that any time Town Council Leslie Nixon spends on the Morgan easement issue should be clearly identified. All meetings should be taped and detailed minutes (like those kept for Planning Board meetings) taken.
- 6) It was suggested we identify any "prescriptive" roads. These would be roads that never went through the formal process of "layout" and there may be nothing on paper anywhere detailing where the road goes etc. Should we incur the cost of surveying these and registering them?

Motion to adjourn at 9:20PM by Lois Briere, 2nd Gordon Carlstrom, all approved.

Burton Reynolds

Burton Reynolds, Town Administrator