

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes

January 24, 2000

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

PRESENT:

Susan Clay- Chairperson
Lois Briere- Selectman
Burton Reynolds- Town Administrator

ABSENT:

Gordon Carlstrom- Selectman frozen pipes

PUBLIC COMMENT

Joe Nangle asked about some sizable pine trees that had been cut by Lucas doing work for PSNH in clearing power lines out on Lyndeborough Road. Normally these would not have been cut. Why were they and would Lucas please clean it up? Joe was to contact PSNH.

APPOINTMENTS

Road agent Lee Murray

1. Pierre Bruno, State Rep, had written the Board about several road issues before his committee. Lee will contact him with our comments on posting Class VI roads and posting roads for weight limits.
2. The State responded to our request for a crosswalk across RT 13 around the Old Coach Road area. The gist of it was that he did not believe a crosswalk was safe to install. Lee will talk with him in more detail to be sure we all understand the issues.
3. Lee was asked if he felt we should invest in the new crosswalk signs the State is promoting. He felt we should first see how effective the new painted crosswalk design turns out to be.
4. At the suggestion of Finance, the \$5,000 in the Highway budget for speed limit signs will be taken out for this year. Are they really needed? Will they be very effective without greater enforcement? Will talk about again next year.
5. Lee wants to develop a booklet for new residents which would cover such topics as: driveway rules and regulations, placing snow in the road, mailboxes, other obstructions like basketball hoops, culvert responsibilities, stone walls, planting grass next of the road, general right of way issues.
6. George Drive - Fire Dept. has OK'd name change but wants two words not three as proposed (Pheasant Creek Drive). Confirmed Lee will order street signs and install. Person requesting the change will pay for the sign.

Dan Teague

This was a short session to confirm Dan as a Fire Ward until the Town Meeting vote in March. Dan is filling the position previously held by Jim Dodge. He has been a member of the department since '87, is a Company officer, has been training officer for 5 years, is an EMT and a firefighter for a paid department.

Margaret Watkins and Graham Pendlebury

They were in on behalf of the PWA with a concern about the need for river bank stablization down near Gregg Mill Bridge. Want to place some rip rap there with vegetation above where the stone will be. Discussing this project with State DOT. There may be some federal funds available. We offered to assist with Highway Dept. labor and equipment but not funding.

OLD BUSINESS

- 1) Approval of contracts has been given by Bob Berry at DOT. A meeting will be held with representatives of our engineering firm and the contractor in February to work out the schedule
- 2) Town Counsel provided the outline for an agreement with Mr. Delorey. The Board will review and respond next week. Mr. Delorey was present and asked that the Board move as quickly as possible so he could arrange for a contractor. He felt the road would be closed for only a week or so. He said more water than normal had been coming into his basement and he was concerned about the foundation.
- 3) The Board approved a letter to Town Counsel on the Morrissey/Mill St. issue which asks for further research and clarification on several points.
- 4) The Board wanted to encourage the Planning Board to be sensitive to scheduling meetings when they conflict with other important meetings.
- 5) See George Drive comments under the Road Agent portion of the minutes.
- 6) Bob Todd received a response to his inquiry about the Sherburne land. The owner is looking at a price in the \$100,000 range. Bob felt an appraisal by our assessor George Hildum might prove helpful. The Board agreed to ask George for assistance.
- 7) Final cuts in the operating budget were approved. The warrant articles were reviewed for language, the amounts to be raised, and whether the Board endorsed them.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1) See comments for both the RT 13 crosswalk and the legislation issues under the Road Agent section of the minutes.
- 3) Lexis Publishing will no longer be doing the RSA's but we don't know who is taking their place. Susan will make some calls and find out.

PUBLIC COMMENT

none

A motion to adjourn was made by Lois Briere with a 2nd by Susan Clay at 10:10 PM.

Burton Reynolds
Town Administrator

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