

Town of New Boston  
Selectmen's Meeting  
September 11, 2000

A regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen was called to order by Gordon Carlstrom at 7:03PM.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. **Planning Issues** - Friendly Beaver Campground will be the main issue on the agenda.
2. **Lyndeborough Road Bridge** - All expenses are in, Burton is contacting DOT for final inspection prior to reimbursement from the State. The amount approved by Holden Engineering is 1.2% higher than the contractor's bid due to the work on the bridge abutments, leaving a surplus on the budgeted amount.

**MINUTES:** Approval of the August 28<sup>th</sup> minutes was post-poned until September 18<sup>th</sup>.

3. **Personnel Manual, Chapter 4** - The Town Administrator's job description should be adjusted to match the responsibilities written in the manual. Dave suggested adding, "The Town Administrator makes recommendations to the Board of Selectmen on important matters that come before the town." The job description is being reworded for next week's meeting. Separation, attendance guidelines and overtime pay were reviewed.

**APPOINTMENT:**

**7PM Cable Committee**

Jack Mitroff, Dave Onslott and Sean Fish were present for the first meeting of the cable committee. Members are to include Dave Lendry and Barbara Smith. Dave Delorey will serve as advisor to the committee from the board of Selectmen. The basic responsibility should be for the members to make recommendations on a contract that the Selectmen would be able to agree upon and sign. Topics to consider would be fiber-optic accessibility, free service to town buildings, intra-net service between buildings, access corporation and legal fees, if necessary. Meetings should be held in a public place with time and date posted prior to meeting.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

4. **Selectman Vacancy** - Kim DiPietro's application has been received by the Selectmen. The application period was extended until Friday, September 15<sup>th</sup>.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. **MS-1 (valuations) and MS-4 (revenues)** - An extension was granted in order to allow George Hildrum to complete property valuations which were due on September 1, 2000.
2. **Dufresne-Henry Questionnaire** - A complaint was raised at the Planning Board meeting by Thibeault regarding the quality of representative sampling. The questionnaire has been referred to the Planning Board to complete.

## **APPOINTMENT:**

**8PM                  PSNH                  Electrical Service**

Elizabeth LaRocca, community relations manager from PSNH, was present along with their circuit engineer and the lineman foreman, to give a presentation to the Selectmen on how electrical service is supplied to the town of New Boston. Recent improvements and proposed work for the future were outlined, including improvements being made to reduce sustained power outages.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

3. **Letter to Town Counsel** - A letter has been written to send to Leslie Nixon, inviting her to come in and speak with the Board of Selectmen regarding the continuance of her services to the town. The letter was reviewed and accepted as written.
4. **Micro-Credit NH** - This is a non-profit organization in connection with NH Community Loans Funds. They are looking for a list of small businesses within the town, so that they can be made more aware of the program. Burton will send them a copy of the Fire Inspector's list of businesses.
5. **Winter Sand** - The town's winter sand supply on Old Coach Road is near exhaustion. One option is to acquire sand from the other end of the same land parcel near the entrance to Friendly Beaver Campground. Selectmen feel that this decision should come before the town.
6. **Employee Evaluations** - Department Heads will be doing evaluations soon.

## **OTHER:**

1. **Mill Street** - A sign has been placed on Conservation property. The general public has been told by a Mill Street resident that they cannot park on the road next to the easement. The sign needs to be removed and the parking situation needs to be resolved.
2. **MRI** - will be coming to next week's Selectmen's meeting to discuss issues with the town's bookkeeping department.

3. **Tree removed** - a large tree on Route 13, south of town, was removed by the landowner after a letter had been sent by the selectmen, expressing the need to cut it, due to safety reasons.
4. **Conservation Footbridge Update** - footing has been poured, free granite curbsings have been picked up and the footbridge construction should be underway within a couple of weeks.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Brandy Mitroff inquired about the status of CIP items and timelines for CIP and Finance Committee meetings. Dave Delorey suggested the Selectmen filter the items from the department heads before they reach CIP or Finance in order to save time at the meetings.

Gordon made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:00PM, Dave seconded the motion.

Cindy Romano