

**Town of New Boston
Selectmen's Meeting
June 11, 2001**

A regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen was called to order by David Delorey at 8:10 PM.

<u>PRESENT:</u>	David Delorey	Selectman
	David Woodbury	Selectman
	Burton Reynolds	Town Administrator
<u>ABSENT:</u>	Gordon Carlstrom	Chairman

A site walk was done at 7:00 PM at the Sherburne Land prior to the beginning of the meeting. In attendance were Burton Reynolds, the Selectmen, and members of the Forestry, Highway, Conservation and Recreation. *Forestry Committee plan attached.*

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Al Romano of 609 Lyndeboro Road inquired of the Board of any impending employee resignations. None have been received to date. A request was made for a copy of the letter from the Recreation Commission to the Town of New Boston. He also inquired of the purpose of the non-public session held last week by the Selectmen. The Selectmen replied that the purpose was to discuss and evaluate an employee situation and that a decision was made regarding the employee. A letter was drafted to the Recreation Commission delegating certain powers to them, but prior to last week no such powers had been delegated by the Selectmen. Al emphasized the significance of the accusations and recommended a full investigation and a forensic audit.

APPOINTMENTS:

8:00 PM Clifton LaBree Road Name Change
Clifton Labree of 102 Wilson Hill Road was in attendance to present to the Selectmen a letter of concern regarding the changing of the road name from Orchard Road to Labree Road. He pointed out in his letter that residents were not aware of this change made by the Town and it has inconvenienced them. He suggested that the designations be reinstated as originally approved by the Planning Board and that the numbering sequence on Labree Road be kept in place. Due to the absence of John Bunting, the Selectmen agreed to review the letter under advisement. Members of the Planning Board and Fire Department need to be present to discuss this issue at a future date.

8:15 PM Frank Welton Growth Management Committee Applicant
Frank Welton of Bog Brook Road was present for an informal interview by the Selectmen. He is interested in the growth of the town as a whole. Dave Woodbury moved to appoint Mr. Welton to the Growth Management Committee. Dave Delorey seconded the motion.

8:30 PM Gingrich Wilson Hill Road Plot Dedication Hearing

John and Sue Gingrich of 39 Wilson Hill Road were not able to attend the public hearing. The Gingrich's are requesting that in the event that the stone wall is moved in the future, it be rebuilt. Selectmen agreed to notify Mr. Gingrich of future work regarding this area. This portion of the road has already been approved for dedication by the Planning Board according to RSA 674:35. Bruce and Elaine Tostevin of 101 Wilson Hill Road wished to thank the Gingrich's for their generous donation of land in order to correct a very dangerous situation. The traffic on Wilson Hill has increased due to its use as a short cut to Bedford Road and the construction of the Juniper Hills sub-division. It was noted that there is a very bad curve on this road, creating a visibility problem and no speed limit signs or median line. Both pedestrians and vehicular traffic are in danger. The Selectmen will relay these concerns to the Police Chief for his advice on traffic control. Dave Woodbury moved to accept the portion of land donated by the Gingrich's and to incorporate their letter with the motion. Dave Delorey seconded the motion. All were in favor.

MINUTES: The minutes of April 30th, May 14th, May 21st and June 4th will be reviewed at next week's meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1) **Planning Issues** – Gordon Carlstrom was not present to report on Planning Board issues.
- 2) **Mill Pond Area** – The Morrissey's were unaware of this agenda item. Brenda Lind was present to submit a copy of the Conservation Commission's letter to NHL CIP. Conservation is preparing a management plan to include two parking spaces and a draft should be available in August for public comment.
- 3) **Town Hall Sprinkler** – Some work has been done on the water pump and a pressure test has been done. The system is functional with the exception of wiring into the central station alarm. It has been determined that the system *cannot* be hooked up to the emergency electrical back-up system.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1) **Bill for Gloves** – Mrs. Dorothy Fillmore of Jessica Lane has presented the Town with a receipt for gloves used to pick up trash along the road and would like to be reimbursed. The Selectmen decided that she deserves a letter of thanks for her volunteer efforts, but declined to honor her invoice because it had not been approved in advance. The "Adopt-A-Highway" Plan was discussed instead of reimbursement to individuals.
- 2) **Changing Front Door Lock and Building Alarm Code** – The Selectmen authorized the cost of \$100.00 for the Alarm Code to be changed. The locks should be changed within a week at a cost of \$235.00. Burton will send a letter to persons with new keys.
- 3) **Operating Budget Calendar** – Dave Delorey requested a copy of the financial calendar for the Selectmen.

- 4) **E-mail** – discussion involved setting up e-mail addresses for town employees and department heads. Dave Delorey drafted a letter to Verizon Wireless inquiring about the availability of Digital Subscriber Lines to New Boston. On June 27th Adelpia may come to talk on this issue.

OTHER:

- There is a large, healthy ash tree on Clark Hill Road, which is touching utility wires. The decision to cut the tree or put a guard on the wires requires a public hearing.
- Cemetery Transfer – Tom Pine is the unofficial chair of the new board of Trustees. Copies of the deeds have been delivered to Town Counsel.

Dave Delorey made a motion to enter into a non-public session at 9:50 PM, according to RSA 91A: 3 II (a) to discuss an employee situation. Dave Woodbury seconded the motion. Both were in favor.

Dave Woodbury made the motion to exit the non-public session at 10:25 PM, according to RSA 91A: 3 II(a). Dave Delorey seconded the motion. Both were in favor. As a result of the session, Dave Delorey moved to provide the Recreation Commission with additional guidance with regards to the employee situation.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- Al Romano of 609 Lyndeboro Road suggested having an agenda item for the next meeting involving the Recreation Commission and it's leadership. He also inquired as to whether the school board or the principal had been advised to change the school's locks. His final comment was to encourage Adelpia to bring broadband into New Boston for faster access.
- Brandy Mitroff of 74 Thornton Road had a question with regards to the Recreation Director and restitution. The Selectmen replied that they are trying to address and resolve the situation correctly. They are moving slowly, but directly. Toni Pierce has been paid through June 8th on an administrative leave of absence. The Recreation Commission will hold another meeting on Wednesday, June 13th at 7:00 PM. The next scheduled Selectmen's meeting is June 25th.

Dave Woodbury made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:35 PM. Dave Delorey seconded the motion. All were in favor.

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