

MINUTES OF WATERBORO PLANNING BOARD MEETING
April 11, 1969

Those present were Messrs. L. Rollins, J. Hanscom, H. Zanni and alternates E. Smith and F. Abbott.

In the absence of the Chairman, the meeting was chaired by the secretary. Minutes of the last meeting, held February 11, 1969, were read. No meeting was held during March. The secretary had been requested at the February meeting to check with the Town Clerk to see if any public hearings had been recorded pertaining to the present Waterboro Building Code. There were no public hearings recorded. However, the records showed that the Building Code, as adopted in 1958, had been posted in the Town Warrant and voted on at the Annual Town Meeting. The present Building Code, as revised in 1965, was also posted in the Town Warrant and voted on at the regular Annual Town Meeting.

A question was raised as to whether or not a public hearing is required before action would be taken at a town meeting, and it was requested that the secretary inquire into the matter.

A letter from the Maine State Highway Commission to Mr. Norman Taylor, dated March 12, 1969, was read to the Board, which quoted a price of "six to eight thousand dollars" for the installation of a traffic control light at the intersection of Main St. and West Road.

In view of this excessive cost, a motion was made and passed to request the Board of Selectmen to hire a man or woman to direct traffic at that intersection when the new school is in session during the busy hours when children are going to and coming from school and until the question of a traffic control light is resolved.

The Planning Board requests that the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen notify the secretary of the Planning Board in writing of their appointment to fill the vacancy caused by expiration of the one year term filled by Mr. Fred Fay and suggests that the new appointee be duly sworn in by the Town Clerk for the five year term.

It was reported that a chrome plating business has been started at the "Old Pickle Factory", a saw mill is being started on the "Durgen" place on Route 5 and another saw mill by Clarence Woodsum on Route 5.

Since chrome plating requires an acid process, which will be dumping acid into the soil, and could gradually filter into a nearby brook, and since the saw mills could create a public nuisance if they leave the sawdust piles and other debris unsightly, or if their operation might in any way affect the neighbors or neighborhood, the Board urges the Board of Selectmen to look into these matters and declare whether or not, in their opinion, any of these above mentioned operations are or might become a health hazard or a public nuisance. If so, the Board recommends taking whatever steps are necessary to stop any further activity at these locations.

The problem of unlicensed dogs was also discussed. This problem seems to be getting worse and fewer owners are bothering to get a license for their dogs.

The Board recommends that the Selectmen contact the responsible town official and try to enforce this law.

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The Planning Board agreed that a public hearing be held, Monday, April 21, 1969, at the Town Hall at 7:30 P.M. on the proposed changes in the Building Code.

Notices will be posted in town and an announcement will be published in the Sanford Tribune April 18, 1969.

Linwood Rollins presented copies of the 3 subdivisions of land of A.J. Cameron on Lake Sherburne for our files. These had been accepted and signed by the Board.

A proposed site for a municipal building was presented by L. Rollins and those present unanimously agreed that it would be an ideal location.

John Hanscom will get the names of the owners of the land and give this information to Everett Smith and Forrest Abbott who were appointed to make the personal contacts and bring back information on cost, etc.

Election of a Chairman and Secretary of the Planning Board for this fiscal year will be held at our next meeting.

The Planning Board requests the presence of the Board of Selectmen at our next meeting.

Next meeting to be held on Monday, April 28, 1969, at Rollins Solution Co. office.

The meeting adjourned at 9:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Harry A. Zanni
Harry A. Zanni, Secretary