SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES December 8, 1992

Regular meeting of the Waterboro Board of Selectmen.

PRESENT: Chm. Dennis G. Abbott, John C. Monteith, Frank R. Allen, Jr. Also present: Selectmen's Assistant Dwayne Morin, Town Clerk/Tax Collector Treasurer Dianne Holden, Parks & Rec. Chm. Bob Gobeil.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Letter from Steve Kasprzak re: lot on tax maps.

Thank you card from Toni Todd.

Invitation to an open house at Sawyer Environmental.

Notice of service from Saco Bay resource Recovery Inc.

York County Parent Awareness newsletter.

Memo from Dianne Holden re: outstanding personal property taxes.

Notice of So. Me. Regional Planning Comm. meeting on 12/15/92.

Notice from MMA re: SAFECO life insurance certificate amendments.

Notice of new rates for MMA Health Trust insurance.

From Dianne Holden re: municipal dog warrant.

Copy of check received for snowmobile reg. in the amount of \$1,164.

Copy of check received for local road assistance in the amount of \$17,471.75.

Copy of October GA reimbursement check in the amount of \$1,889.27.

Conservation Comm. budget request in the amount of \$469.00.

NEW BUSINESS:

Appointments: 6:30-7:30-p.m.-Staff Meeting
7:30 p.m.-Joel Paterson

JOEL PATTERSON: Joel Patterson and Peter Montano from Joel Patterson & Assoc, was in to discuss the extra charges on the audit bill. The additional charge was for \$700.00. Joel told the Board that he had told Peter & Sue that if any extra hours are needed to complete the audit he wanted to know about and to get permission to do the extra work. Peter stated that he had discussed this with Dwayne that extra hours would be needed and Joel assumed that he had the go ahead to do the work. The total extra hours was for 19 hours. Chm. Abbott feels that the extra work done was part of the audit, did asked for a bid and in the bid should have been factored in a reasonable adjustment for any extra work. Joel told the Board that he did take in consideration in the bid price any extra work. Chm. Abbott told Joel that he feels the bid came in low and now the extra 20% charge added would have been the true bid. Joel stated that it is not true. Dwayne stated that he was told of amount of extra hours but not what the cost would be, was just told that there would be extra hours. Chm. Abbott did tell Joel that he had asked him when he met with the Board to discuss the final audit if there was any problems and the Board was told no and now there is a charge for extra hours. Dianne did extra work on weekdays and weekends to find a problem that came up in the audit, Sue came in and the problem was solved and no one was told, people were still looking for the problem. Dianne stated that Joel had done the Town before and should have known what the job would entail when the bid was proposed. Joel stated that in hindsight he probably should have come in and met with the Board to discuss any extra time. Alot of work was done to make the job easier in the future and easier for Dianne to do the year end reports.

Joel did tell the Board that when he met with them the last time, he was a bit uncomfortable to discuss extra work, or problems with the Board due to the extra people that was in attendance, he would have preferred to meet with the Board of Selectmen and the Finance Committee to go over the audit. Chm. Abbott did tell Joel that if the extra hours was for bookkeeping purposes, it was not worth \$38.00 an hour. Joel told the Board for \$700. he does not want to loose the realationship with the Town. Chm. Abbott told Joel that the Town does not want to nickle and dime him and may need to look into longer term contracts with a cost for extra hours in the bid proposals in the future so that there will be no surprises. Alot of work was done to get the Selectmen's Report done for the audit, which in the past has been used as a bible and it was not even used or looked at this year. In the future the Board would like to know up front what any extra charges will be and then decide if the problem should be solved inhouse or have the auditor do it.

Board signed the warrant for payment of bills and payroll.

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