

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MINUTES**

1-10-1995

Present: Dennis G. Abbott, John C. Monteith, Robert Fay, and Dwayne G. Morin.

Also Present: Arthur Smith, Dale Witman, Philip Castora, Dorothy Roule, and Marvin Anson.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

Dwayne discussed the following issues with the Board:

- **Mrs. George-** Mrs. George lives on a private road off Webber Road called Hushpuppy Lane. She called to complain that the road has not been sanded this year. She stated that she has been living on the Road for nine years and the road has always been sanded except since Glenn became Road Commissioner. Dwayne tried to explain that the Town only Sands those roads that are plowed but will occasionally sand a private road if there is a bad ice storm. She would like her road to be sanded. Dennis mentioned that the Town only sands roads currently on the snowplow list and will only sand other roads during an emergency such as an ice storm. Bob stated that he requested Glenn to sand some "private" roads during the past ice storm. The Board voted not to sand Mrs. George's road except during emergency situations. Voted all in favor.

- **Intersection of Rte. 5 and Townhouse Road** - Dwayne contacted Lee Chase at the DOT and asked him what, if anything is the DOT planning to do regarding this intersection. He stated that as soon as the Town requested the traffic accident data he came to review the intersection. He has a few suggestions that he would like to try but would like to research the intersection a little longer. The suggestions he made can be made without a great deal of approval time elapsing. A few of his suggestions include the following
 - 1.) Move the flashing beacon from present location to the intersection of Rte. 5 and Townhouse Road and change it to red and yellow;
 - 2.) Add an additional Stop Sign on the corner where Jim Earl Jrs. house is located;
 - 3.) Add red flashers to the existing Stop Sign on the corner;

- 4.) Either discontinue or make the short stretch of Old Alfred Road located in front of the Fire Station a One-Way South only; and
- 5.) Paint Stop Ahead on the Street in the Spring along with a stop bar on Townhouse Road.

- **Moreau Case** - Dwayne has prepared a letter for the Board's review. Dwayne has also received a copy of the letter prepared by the County commissioners attorney regarding the Journal Tribune's request for the settlement information. As a bit of information, Dwayne was contacted by Harry Center of Smith, Elliott, Smith and Garmey offering his assistance should the Town want to request the information under the right to know law. Harry has a stake in this because he is also the staff attorney for the City of Biddeford and he has had to release all the settlements made by Biddeford under pressure from the D.A.'s office and he feels that this is a prime case for the right to know law. The Board reviewed the letter and signed it after some minor changes. The Board voted to send a letter to each of the new County Commissioners individually.

APPOINTMENTS:

7:00 p.m. *York County Sheriff - Wes Phinney and Chief Deputy Bruce Woodsome*

The Board asked Wes to meet with the Board to open the lines of communication between the York County Sheriff and the Town of Waterboro. The Board and sheriff discussed the following topics:

The sheriff recommended to the Board to monitor the legislative reports for legislation submitted regarding the Sheriff Services Task Force Report. The sheriff does not agree with the recommendations of the report and would hope that the Selectmen would lobby against implementation of the user base system outlined in the report. The selectmen voiced their concern over the report and stated that they would look for impending legislation.

The Sheriff stated that currently there are 10 full-time deputies and 10 part-time officers in the Sheriff department. Two officers are on duty during each shift, however, on holidays and summer weekends there are three officers on each shift.

Bruce mentioned that he will be starting to generate reports of sheriff activity in each Town for the individual Towns to review. He presented the Board with the summers activities. Wes stated that he would like to meet with the Board during different times of the year to discuss the effectiveness of the Sheriff patrol. Bruce will be placed on the Council Meeting mailing list so that he can update the Town on Sheriff activities.

7:45 p.m. - Joe Curran, York County Commissioner

Joe was before the Board to introduce himself. Joe represents Waterboro on the County Commission and wanted to meet the Board and share some ideas. Joe primary reason for meeting with the Board was to ask for representatives to volunteer for various committees currently in the making to review the workings of the County. The Selectmen stated that they would inquire for volunteers at next weeks council meeting. The Selectmen will also add Joe's name to the Council Meeting mailing list. Among the groups currently seeking volunteers are: County Funding Task Force; Community Corrections Board; and the External Agency Funding Task Force.

The Board took the opportunity of meeting with the new County Commissioner to discuss their views regarding the recent Moreau case. The Board presented Joe with a copy of the signed letter to the Commissioners. Joe stated that the three new commissioners are also interested in the case and have instructed Dave Adjutant to have a meeting with the county's attorney. The Selectmen inquired as to why the County uses and independent attorney and not use the District Attorney's office. Joe will look into the answer to that question.

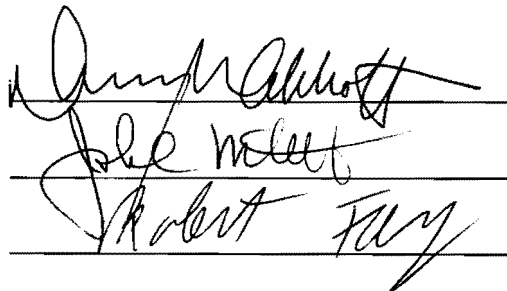
Frank Allen - Regional Waste Systems update

Frank gave the Selectmen a brief rundown on the current operations of RWS. The is a projected shortfall of revenue due to the inability to enforce the waste flow agreements, however, RWS is still meeting the operating expenses. The executive committee will be meeting to discuss ways to aid in the operation of RWS on Thursday the 26th of January. Frank will inform the Board as to the discussion held at the meeting when he meets with the Board at their January 31 meeting.

Tim Nelson

Tim's truck tires have been slashed during tonight's office hours and was asking the Board if the Town will reimburse him for new tires. The State Police have been called. The Board voted to pay for Tim's new tires.

No further business, meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.


The block contains three handwritten signatures, each written over a horizontal line. The top signature is the most cursive and appears to be 'Joseph Abbott'. The middle signature is 'Joe Nelson'. The bottom signature is 'Robert Fay'.