

## SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES

9-27-94

Present: Dennis Abbott, Bob Fay, John Monteith, Bob Gobeil, and Dwayne G. Morin

### Town Structure Committee

Dennis opened the meeting by explaining that the Board of Selectmen have been meeting with every committee as sort of a kick-off meeting to allow all the members to meet with the Selectmen and discuss the ensuing year. Dennis explained that the Town Structure Committee was a result of a request by Doug Foglio to review the structure of the Town and see what the Town can do to better improve efficiency and operations.

The Committee was formed in 1993 by a Town Meeting vote and there were a couple of meetings in 1993-94. The committee was comprised of Doug, Dianne and Ray Janson.

The committee asked for information that would help them in their endeavors. It was mentioned that Dianne had put together information obtained through MMA and other towns. In addition the following information will be put together: Comprehensive Plan, previous attempts at Charters, Audit Report, and MMA information.

Mike McAlevey asked if the Selectmen had created a hard and fast marching order for the committee in the event that controversy occurs. Dennis stated that the committee should be concerned with if we are running the Town in the direction the future is calling for.

The committee discussed the next time for a meeting and it was decided the 19th at 7:00 p.m. Since Doug and Stu were not present, Mike informed the committee that he would contact them.

### Conservation Committee

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The Selectmen want to have the Conservation Committee become a strong committee again this year as previous years have seen a decline in interest. The committee has been fully staffed for the first time in many years. The Selectmen asked the committee to send a representative to the Nature Conservancy Open House at the Waterboro Barrens on Sunday. The Town will be receiving a gift from the Conservancy and unfortunately none of the Selectmen will be able to attend.

The Selectmen mentioned to the Commission that Mr. Clayton Hurlbut has once again approached the Town to purchase the land on Ossipee Hill. Dwayne stated that Mr. Hurlbut is open to negotiations and has stated that he no longer wants to realize as big a profit as he originally did four years ago when he offered the land to the Town. Steve Everett informed the Board that he would contact Mr. Hurlbut and start negotiations on behalf of the Town.

Dianne Audette has been working with the Selectmen and the York County Sheriffs Department in performing a clean-up of tires along the back streets of the Town. This clean-up is slated for October 3,4,&5.

Steve Everett mentioned to the Selectmen that in the near future the Commission would like to talk about the possibility of having a Conservation Officer position in Town. Once the Commission has outlined the position, they will set-up a meeting with the Selectmen.

#### **Dwayne Woodsome**

Dwayne wanted to meet with the Selectmen and offer a piece of his lot, which he recently purchased to the Town for a Turnaround on the Bennett Hill Road. The lot would be a triangular piece of land currently used as a turnaround by the snowplows.

Dennis mentioned that a Town Meeting vote would have to be taken in order for the Town to accept the lot and the Selectmen will take the offer under advisement. If a special Town Meeting is held, a warrant article will be prepared to see if the Town's people would like to accept the land.

#### **Glenn Bean Sr. - Road Commissioner**

The Selectmen are concerned that road projects seem to be started and never finished before starting another project. In particular the Selectmen were concerned that the schedule outlined by the Road review Committee has not been followed. Glenn stated that he has had difficulty in getting other workers to help in the projects.

The Selectmen asked Glenn what needs to be completed on the Middle Road and Glenn stated that the road only needs to have the crushed gravel placed and then overlaid.

Glenn stated that he will begin the Bagley Road this week and he felt that the Hamilton Road cannot be started until Spring. The Selectmen stated that before the Hamilton road is started, Carol Roulliard should be contacted to accommodate the bus traffic.

The Selectmen asked Glenn when the Sand pile will be put up. Glenn stated that when the bids are received he will schedule a time but intends to have stockpile up before end of October. The Selectmen told Glenn that they want Shertleff to deliver the salt this year. When Glenn begins the stockpile he should contact Dwayne so that the salt can be ordered.

### **Library Board of Trustees**

Martha Larivierre was in to request a Street light for the Library Parking Lot. The Selectmen feel that a cheaper solution would be to place halogen lights on the building. Dwayne to contact Dick Turgeon to investigate this possibility. The question of having posts at the parking lot entrance to delineate the entrance was asked. Bob Gobeil stated that he could have his summer worker place reflective posts at the entrance of the parking lot. The Selectmen agreed to have Parks and Recreation performed this.

The Selectmen inquired into the request by the Trustees to increase the pay of the Librarian and Assistant by 5% when the rest of the Town employees received 4%. Martha stated that this was budgeted for in the budget. The Selectmen stated that all the Town employees salary budget at Town Meeting are higher than what the employees receive. The Selectmen request that the Trustees only approve a 4% raise which is consistent with Town employee raises. Martha will bring this back to the Trustees.

### **Dwayne Morin - Selectmen' Assistant**

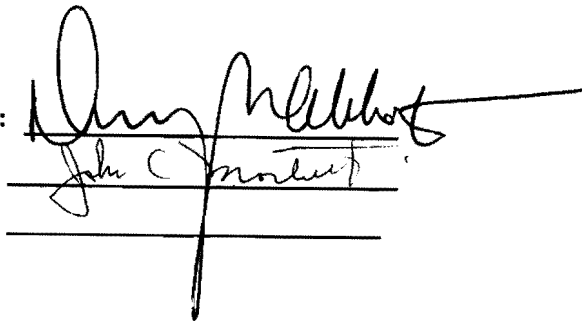
Dwayne discussed the following issues with the Selectmen:

- Dwayne has checked on the availability of salt for the ensuing winter. Elaine Keith has assured Dwayne that Shertleff has enough salt to meet the demand. The Town's price for salt has increase slightly over last year. The price is \$35.99/ton pickup or \$36.99/ton delivered. The Selectmen voted to have all salt purchased delivered by Shertleff this year.
- The Selectmen asked for a legal opinion on the status of Bob Abbott's snowplow contract now that he has passed away. Karen Lovell's opinion is that because he signed the contract as an individual and not a company, the contract ended with his death. The Selectmen voted to have Doug Foglio in next week to discuss if he would like to exercise his right under his North and South contract to fulfill the remaining year of the East contract at his original bid price.
- The developers of Old Mill Grove have paid their share of the Thyngs Mill culvert installation as outlined by the Selectmen. The Selectmen voted to order the necessary culverts and have Glenn Bean schedule the work to be performed as soon as the culverts are delivered.

- Dwayne reviewed the draft commitment with the Board of Selectmen. Dwayne has prepared draft commitments depicting tax rates from 17.40 to 18.00 mills for the Selectmen's review. Dennis moved to set the 1994-1995 tax rate at 17.60 which represent a 40 cent increase over last year and represents a 2.28% increase. This will leave an overlay of \$28,337.90 for the current year to cover abatements. The Selectmen voted to have Dwayne release a press release to all the newspapers so that the tax rate is known by property owners prior to receipt of tax bills.
- The Selectmen requested Dwayne to prepare information on the Code Enforcement Officer position for possible advertisement. Information should include a sample ad and a job description of the duties and responsibilities of the Town of Waterboro CEO.

No further business, meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

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