## SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES OCTOBER 25, 1994

Regular meeting of the Waterboro Board of Selectmen.

PRESENT: Chm. Dennis G. Abbott, John C. Monteith and Robert C. Fay.

Also present: Selectmen's Assistant Dwayne Morin.

## **REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES:**

DWAYNE MORIN: John Ratcliffe has called concerning his tax bill. He is in the Merchant's Marine and paid his tax bill last November but was out of the country when the bill was due in May. He is willing to pay the tax amount but not the interest and lien fees. Board voted not to waive the interest and lien fees on Mr. Ratcliffe's tax bill. Discussed computer equipment. Board voted to not have the terminals on the maintenance contract. Board voted to purchase a PC for the Town Clerk's/Tax Collector/Treasurer's Office. Budgeted \$70,000. for snowplowing. Due to the increase in the contact what account should the parking lot plowing come out of. Board voted to have parking lot plowing paid out of the Winter Roads Account. Board signed the agreement for Workers Comp for the audit on Monday. Also DEP will be visiting the transfer station and would like to test the ash.

DIANNE HOLDEN: Dianne was in to discuss dog licenses. Agreed to not pursue now. Sel. Fay suggests sending a letter by certified mail to known owners who haven't licensed their dogs or even sent someone to their house. All agreed will contact Chauncey Gerry and see if he would go around and he would be paid \$5.00 a dog for each dog that gets licensed.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

BOB GOBEIL: Bob was in to ask about appointing Gregory Mehlhorn to the Parks & Rec. Commission. Board appoint Gregory Mehlhorn to the Parks & Rec. Commission for a term to expire June 30, 1997.

LIQUOR LICENSE HEARING: Chm. Abbott opened up the Public Hearing for Dyer's Pizza & Sub Shop for a Malt license. Board voted and approved the application.

VICTUALER'S LICENSE: Chm. Abbott opened up the Public Hearing on the issuance of a Victualer's License to Dyer's Pizza & Sub Shop. Board voted and approved the vicutaler's license.

SAND BIDS: Sand bids were due at 3:00 this afternoon. The only bid received was from Northeastern Contractors at a quote of \$2.50 cu. yd. loaded. Board voted to go with Northeast Contractors for the winter sand.

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LAKE ARROWHEAD COMMUNITY INC.: Leonard Van Gasbeek, Tim Blanding, Susan Snow and Kathy Harding represent LAC. Came in to present LAC proposed legislation for a Municipal Corp.

Chm. Abbott asked what has changed since it was in their by laws to collect back dues. Leonard explained that there is a problem with a group now who are refusing to pay their dues, and if the dues aren't paid they will not be able to operate. Could be done three ways, one volunteer payment, through litigation or through legislation. Decided to go through legislation. There are clauses in 1988 deeds, didn't have to pay after that date. Sel. Fay asked what percentage doe not pay. Leonard told the Board that it varies. Dwayne asked that the proposal doesn't mention ratification by their membership, asked if they were going to. Would be consider double taxation without members ratification. Leonard feels that it would not be double taxation, but a maintenance fee. Chm. Abbott stated that there are different of opinions on what should happen. Leonard told the Board that they have no municipal status and can't go to the bond bank for money for example. Sel. Fay asked what is going to happen when if for instance five years down the road, their membership are not happy could come in and take over town meeting. Leonard feels with this legislation, would defer it from happening. A vacant lot or a lot with a house pay the same dues each year of \$363. Water is included in the dues, with legislation could charge for water. Dwayne asked if water would be on meters. Also asked if they have run any figures to see what the cost would be to members. Leonard stated no. Kathy stated that they would have the stipulation to adjust assessments. Leonard stated would identify houses, on waterfront Vs back lots be assessed the same. Dwayne told the Board that the assessor is concern over using towns assessments and using as a baseline, feels could cause problems with difference on assessments and could become a bidding war. Tim stated that the Towns assessment would be correct. Sel. Fav has concerns over the roads, doesn't feel comfortable with the legislation, but wants to keep the association going. Kathy told the Board that when it was developed it was for seasonal use only. Now the water pipes need to be installed deeper. Chm. Abbott doesn't understand why haven't gone through the P.U.C. and start charging for water. Leonard told the Board would like to stay away from the P.U.C. Chm. Abbott told them that the P.U.C. only regulates the rates. Told the Board that 60% of their budget goes for the water system. Sel. Fay feels should be charging service fees. Tim thought that was what the legislation would be doing. Leonard told the Board that they have gone up to Frye Island to see how that has worked out. Board has a problem with this legislation not getting ratified by they membership. Susan stated that can't get more that one person to their meetings. Leonard told the Board that three of the directors live on waterfront property and agree with the legislation. Chm. Abbott asked the Board of Directors have voted to pursue, will the membership be polled. Leonard told the Board that the membership will not be polled. Sel. Fay feels that if the members are notified, they would attend a meeting. Leonard told the Board that their roads last winter were in better shape that the Town's. Tim asked what about the town taking the water over. Chm. Abbott told him that would be a water district in place quickly.

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Leonard reported that 7,750,000 gallons of water was used for 858 homes during the month of July. Also Leonard feels if the water system became the towns, there membership would out vote anything. Chm. Abbott told them that a larger geographic water district is in place now and would just extent the lines.

Leonard also asked what about Parks & Rec. donating playground equipment for their playground. Chm. Abbott told him that it would take a vote of the Parks & Rec. Commission.

## **DISCUSSION:**

TOWN TRACTOR: Road Commissioner Glenn Bean, Sr., feels that the present tractor is to small.

Dwayne will check on the prices of a larger loader. Glenn suggests at least a 436 tractor.
Board appointed Timothy J. Nelson as Dep. Plumbing Inspector for the Town of Waterboro.
SIGNED:
Board signed the warrant for payment of bills and payroll.
ADJOURNMENT:
Motion for adjournment was made at 8:30 p.m.
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