COUNCIL MEETING JULY 28, 1998

Attending: Dale Witman, Brenda Charland, Willis Lord and 29 residents of Waterboro.

Dale Witman calls the meeting to order. Dale announces that the Council Meeting has been changed from the 3rd Tuesday to the 4th Tuesday of the month due to schedule conflict with the committees.

Dale Witman introduces the Public Safety Committee: Mike McAlevey (Chair), John Smith (Vice Chair), Tim Nelson, Payson MacCormack, Steve Marchessault, Bruce Woodsome, and Simone Palmer. Mike McAlevey said that the Committee met with Fire & Rescue. There were a lot of questions and concerns that were voiced. The Committee will be dealing with grievances and will be screening advocates for fire chief.

ASSESSOR'S REPORT Jerry Daigle reports that it won't be until the end of August that he will be able to determine the tax rate.

Dale Witman gives the SELECTMEN'S REPORT. The Selectmen have been working at getting the committees appointed: finance, conservation, recycling, public safety, and cable tv. Simone Palmer and Buddy Knight need to fill out paperwork. There has been some discussion about the problem at Ossipee Lake, i.e. the portable toilet being thrown into the lake, the swimming area had to be closed until the water test results came back (this took 1 day). The Selectmen made the decision to go ahead with the auction. There is a new phone number for the Motor Vehicles Department. Rob Baker leaving. Bill Foye from Bridgeton will be taking over until a permanent Code Enforcement Officer can be found. The cash management account at Key Bank was switched to a higher interest bearing account. Dale introduces Lisa Morse as the new Code Enforcement Office secretary. Dale introduces Angelyn Brann as the new secretary to the Selectmen and welcomes her. Willis Lord gives a minority report on the hiring of the secretary. He voted against the appointment because Angelyn was from out of town and he thinks someone from town should have been hired. Dale mentions that the Town's liability insurance has been switched to Paquin & Carroll. The maintenance worker's comp remains through Batchelder Bros. Five companies submitted a bid for the paving, it was awarded to Frank Carroll. The painting of the crosswalks is out to bid. The Lioness' was dissolved per contract between the Town of Waterboro. Board of Selectmen will take the committee under umbrella as the Municipal Committee. The current Board of Trustees agreed to remain appointed to serve. The issue will come up at the Annual Town Meeting. The Board of Selectmen had a couple of meetings with the Lake Arrowhead Community re: bills for town-owned lots, how best to address utilization of lots. Board of Trustees would like the lots to be combined to make lots buildable. Negotiations have been temporarily suspended. Until the Board receives, in writing, a revocation of the bill, it will not continue negotiations. There is a meeting scheduled this Thursday night.

SAFETY COMMITTEE - encourages committees to submit minutes to keep the web page updated. They are trying to get the Town Reports.

MOTOR VEHICLES AGENT - As of July 9th, one can register up to 9,000 lbs. Applications to reserve numbers are in.

TREASURER - Currently working with the auditor doing the year-end report. The balance in the checking & sweep account is \$1,447,465.29.

TAX COLLECTOR - Bertha is still doing motor vehicles daily. She is working on the Town Report. She is ready to do 30 day notices and 90 day liens.

Dale announces the appointments to the Municipal Building Complex Committee: Dennis Abbott, Frank Birkemose, Phil Gardner, Jack Hewes, Steve Kasprzak, Pam L'Heureux, John Monteith, Beverly Sinclair, and Elias Smith.

Dale introduces Mike Curley as the new Director of the Parks & Recreation department. Mike says that he would like to increase public awareness of the Parks & Rec. department. He states that many are not aware. Mike also reported that some kids from the town presented a petition for a Skate Board Park. The petition has 285 signatures.

OLD HOME DAYS - Old Home Days went well. Angela Ames doesn't yet have the final financial report. The committee will need to talk to the Board of Selectmen soon to book the fireworks early.

RWS - Millard reports that he called L. R. Higgins for a Silver Bullet for JD's Redemption. There won't be one available for 3 weeks. It will only be put there on a trial basis. Recycling percentage is up to 6.5% of total waste for June.

SAD 57 DIRECTORS - Millard reports on the progress of hooking the school up to the town water.

ROAD COMMSSISONER - Fred Faye reports that the culverts are in on New Dam Road, Bennett Hill Road, and Chadbourne Ridge Road, and they are paved. They are currently working on Webber Road. Fred called Brian Byrnes to check on the speed limit of the roads. He had Brent Woodsome lined up to get hanging limbs out of trees from the ice storm. Fred asks permission to have Doug Foglio roll compost pile while his equipment is still there. Bob Faye says they should get someone to show us how to work it right. Dale asks Fred if we are applying for the 404 mitigation. Patti reports that she and Fred are working on it.

Dale announces the new Road Review Committee: David Benton, Frank Birkemose, Dave Charland, Myron Edgerly, Buddy Knight, and Dean Waterhouse.

E911 - Pam L'Heureux reports that the maps are back and that they need to be checked. She asks if Fred could start putting up the road signs.

EME DIRECTOR - reports that they are trying to put together a committee for back up.

RECYCLING COMMITTEE - They have new members. They are making an application to the State for grant money for recycling. The swap shop is the 1st Monday of the month.

CONSERVATION COMMITTEE - Scott Hamilton reports that they have not met to review auction lots. They are in the final stages of the Ossipee Mountain Recreation Area. There will be hiking, cross-country skiing, and snowboarding. They are working on the lookout on the actual summit. Moody Pond is close to being ready for making the parking area. They are looking for volunteers.

Bob Faye mentions that Jim Cooper passed away.

OSSIPEE LAKE ASSOCIATION - Don Holden reports that they started meeting monthly in April. There were 26 entries for the annual boat parade. The association awarded a \$500 scholarship to a student who was pursuing an environmental career. The water survey is back. They are trying to get bond money to solve the erosion problem on Route 5. Their annual meeting is on August 8th. The Selectmen, Parks & Rec. director, and the State Representative are invited. The Board is addressed regarding the problem on the lake. They lost the local Game Warden and the lake is near to being out of control. They need to get a hold of the State and get a warden here. Don reports that he has been monitoring the level of the lake. They've been maintaining a level of 6'4" to 6'6". They have received no calls of concerns with the level.

LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES - Pam L'Heureux reports that they had a book fair at the Town of Waterboro Public Library last weekend.

FIRE DEPARTMENT - Elias Smith reports that there were 218 fires, 25 for the month. The new truck will be in next Saturday.

CABLE TV - Dale reports that the new contract was signed, the percentage was $2\frac{1}{2}$ % and was increased to 5%. The Board is pushing to combine resources to have a regional facility. There are a lot of new roads being wired.

TAYLOR HOUSE COMMITTEE - Don Day reports that they are gaining on bat problems. There are some results but there are still a few. They have an offer of display. It is a complete optometrist office including a large display of eye glasses. They are working on accepting and old Deering schoolhouse. They are hoping to move it over to the Taylor House property with fund raising money. They would like to put it on the existing foundation.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY - Don Day reports that they have a meeting on Thursday.

FINANCE COMMITTEE - Dale reports that the committee has been appointed.

GENERAL DISCUSSION - Millard suggest that they find someone to take the whole compose pile and start over and do it right.

ADJOURNMENT - 8:30 p.m.