

SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES
January 12, 1999

Regular meeting of the Waterboro Board of Selectmen. Attending: Dale Witman, Willis Lord, Patti Berry, Brenda Huntress, Millard Genthner, Bob Gobeil, Al & Edie Hutchins, Don Day

APPOINTMENTS

7:00 Al Hutchinson - Historical Society event is confirmed for February 14 with a snow date of February 21 - 2-4 P.M. Al suggests the theme to be "Walk Through Waterboro's History", having Doug Foglio available with slides. It is agreed that 1/2 hour will be allowed for the slide presentation. Patti will coordinate advertising. Al notes the shortness of time, the need for equipment such as a slide projector, and for a custodian. Patti will contact Doug for his input for this event. Willis and Dale agree that Al and Edie will be reimbursed for money they have spent. Willis states that his history of the town should also be available. Bob Gobel suggests providing transportation. Dale agreed and said to include this in the ad. Don states there are three picture albums of unidentified people/situations from the IOOF Hall. These will be displayed for the public for possible identifications. Dale suggests contacting Taylor House as fund-raiser for food sale.

NEW BUSINESS

SAD 57 Information: Patti states she will keep this as it is received. Millard comments that we have received exactly what SAD 57 has received, and he will keep us updated.

Motor Vehicle Closing: Patti states that Margaret and Brenda are requesting that during the training, process we should close the Motor Vehicle Office from 12:30-1:30 until further notice. After the transition period lunches can be staggered. Willis motions to close the office from 12:30 - 1:30 each day until further notice. Dale seconds. Vote 2-0-0.

Waiver of Potential Conflict of Interest: Patti states we've received a letter from Karen Lovell of Burnstein, Shur, Sawyer & Nelson. The state has a lien on property that the Town also has a lien on. Dale said he feels she is being cautious and feels it is fine to proceed. Willis agrees. Dale instructs Patti to sign and return to Ms. Lovell.

Dale asks Patti about the situation of plowing and mailbox damage. Patti said she has written something up for Selectmen's review.

OLD BUSINESS

Meetings with Various Committees: This will be held until next week when Brenda Charland returns. Discussion with elected officials will be put off until Brenda's return as well.

Recycling Materials from Welch Printing: Will discuss next week to allow Patti time to contact committee members.

Cable TV Regional Access Station Discussions: Patti states Dick Bateman has been elected to be on a committee to find a centralized building in Hollis or Buxton. They have requested that franchise fees be saved for operational, not general fund. Willis states we will have to wait for other town's decisions. Dale states we will need specific wording in the article that these moneys will be designated for operational expenses.

Budget Requests for Town Buildings: Regarding insurance for the Library and Fire Department, Patti questions why, if the Town owns them, don't we have building and maintenance under the general government budget. Dale said it will have to be saved until full board next week.

OTHER

Dwayne Woodsome is present to discuss the conservation letter. He said he feels the Arrowhead lots weren't really looked at and feels no research had been done by the Conservation Committee. Willis states there are approximately 80 acres we should retain for timber. Dwayne stated we should look at having an industrial park in the future. Dale states this will be addressed and the Planning Board will be asked to review and offer recommendations and draft article to address at Town Meeting. Patti will place on the list of proposed meetings.

Jon Gale entered representing the Finance Committee to request a February 11 meeting for a budget overview. This is confirmed. Patti states that the January 20 7:30 meeting is already set. Millard said there is a public hearing scheduled for January 20 at 7:00 as well.

Dale questions the Budget Committee's recommendations on pay increases and states that last year there was a decision made according to the 5-year plan that employees would be increased incrementally over 5 years.

Dwayne Woodsome stated there appears to be a need for phone coverage in the Selectmen's Office from 9-12 as noted the frequent requests from real estate offices calling the Town Hall for property and tax information. Dwayne suggested hiring a part-time office floater. Dale said to save for discussion next week and to possibly include Jerry Daigle as he needs help with filing and various tasks.

Dwayne questioned the E911 Map. Patti will call Pam to get the status on this.

8:20 Dale motioned to go into Executive Session at 8:20 for two Hardship Abatements. Vote 2-0-0 in favor.

After Executive Session, due to the fact that the paperwork wasn't ready, the abatements weren't voted on and signed. This will be done at a future time.

SIGNED

The Board of Selectmen signed the Warrants for bills and payroll. They also signed the following:

1. Minutes of 1/5/99 Selectmen's Meeting.

APPROVED

Date: 2/19/99




