

SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES
September 26, 2000

PRESENT: Willis Lord, Brenda Charland, Scott Morelli, Pam Witman, Tim Neill, Bob Gobeil, Dale Witman, Jerry Daigle, Denise Waterhouse, Russell & Teresa Lowell, Carol Cochran, Paul & Jason L'Heureux, Pat McHugh, Eric Herrle and Dean Look

Willis opened meeting at 8:30 p.m. with announcements. Reminder that the last bean supper for the year will be held on October 7th 4:30 to 6 p.m. at south station.

Motion by Brenda to accept the minutes of 9/19 as written. Seconded by Willis. Vote 2-0-0.

Motion by Brenda to accept the minutes of 9/21 as written. Seconded by Willis. Vote 2-0-0.

HEARING OF DELEGATION

Teresa Lowell discussed the shrubbery and perennials on the Day property. Felt they could be used around the new town hall. Motion by Willis to ask the Days if they want the flowers and if not turn them over to the garden club. Scott to check with Ginny then let Teresa know. Seconded by Brenda. Vote 2-0-0.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Discussed setting the new tax rate. Jerry explained that with a tax rate of \$18.30 your overlay is 3½%. Willis recommended that the overlay not spent be retained and applied to the tax rate next year. Brenda stated that those funds go into surplus then come back out for town meeting appropriations so that is basically what happens. Willis explained that he does not want the money spent to fund more programs. Dale Witman stated that the town is very fortunate to be in this position where the board can reduce the tax rate by \$.50 and still increase the overlay by such a large amount. Brenda stated that there would need to be an article in March to carry over and request the authorization to use those funds to offset the tax rate next year. Dale complimented the assessor on an incredible job. Motion by Brenda to set the tax rate at \$18.00 per thousand. Seconded by Willis. Vote 2-0-0.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Discussed renovations to the Transfer Station. Willis reported that he has started building the roof over the sheetrock and the cardboard containers. Met with the recycling committee and will start making entrance changes, move the attendants building, possibly move the electric lines, and build the road. Brenda made the motion that the assistant request from the Road Commissioner the specs for the new entrance into the transfer station and an RFQ for moving the gate and call this Phase 1 and determine the cost and that the assistant return with a price for Phase 1 of the renovations. Willis to check with H. A. Stone and CMP for prices. Phase 2 would consist of moving the silver bullets and moving the attendants shed. To find out cost of relocating the existing pole, purchasing a new pole and compare this to the cost of underground then can make a choice. This would be Phase 3. Scott to get the specs and cost on each Phase and no Purchase Orders to be approved until voted by the Selectmen. Motion by Brenda to do in three phases and not to start the next project until the previous one is complete and paid for. Seconded by Willis. Vote 2-0-0.

OTHER

Discussed the need to purchase a new roll-off container. Scott to contact Foglio, Inc. and cancel the plans to increase to 150' the radius around the burn pit.

Bob Gobeil suggested that there should be a container for aluminum only. Brenda agrees that we should purchase two new containers but not when it hasn't been appropriated by town meeting.

Motion by Willis to purchase one new container from gees generated. Scott to come back next week with the exact figure on what is left over on tipping fees after the \$18,000 for renovations approved at town meeting. Eric Herrle questioned what they are getting for aluminum. Bob reported that they are currently paying twice what they are paying for steel. Willis suggested that they hold off on the aluminum until the cardboard is straightened out. Brenda stated that they need to know how much money is available before spending it.

Discussed sending out letters to all committees and departments requesting their budget requests and reports.

Willis read the M.R.S.A. regarding petitions.

SELECTMEN'S ASSISTANT REPORT

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Brenda to adjourn at 9:30 p.m. Seconded by Willis. Vote 2-0-0.

SIGNED:

APPROVED

Date:

10/2/00

Willis A. Lord
Brenda Chauland