

SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES

October 31, 2000

PRESENT: Willis Lord, Brenda Charland, Scott Morelli, Pam Witman, Carol Cochran, Bob Gobeil, Jim Webster, Dean Look, Teresa Lowell, Mark & Beth Cyr, Barbara Clegg, Dusty Lowell, Dale Witman and Clyde Smith.

Willis opened the meeting at 7:00.

Motion by Brenda to accept the minutes of 10/24 as written. Seconded by Willis. Vote 2-0-0.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Brenda read a letter from the Attorney General regarding his investigation of the Eagles Club public hearing. Read the determination of his office into the record. Stated that Scott has put the letter on the WEB site.

APPOINTMENTS

7:00 p.m. – Heard from Barbara Clegg owner of Map 45 Lot 1621 requesting a letter of no action. Stated that when the garage was built the setback was 40' and she understood that the measurement was from the road. She is in fact 42' from the road but only 27' from her pin. Stated that she has a problem with only one corner and was granted an occupancy permit. Brenda explained that an occupancy permit does not guarantee that all setbacks are correct. Garage is 24' x 24' and was in the original plan but not placed as was shown on the original plot plan. Ms. Clegg explained that because of the topography she was unable to place as originally shown. Discussed a stop work order which had been placed on the construction and Ms. Clegg explained that Saco River Corridor allowed them to proceed. Jim explained that is common practice for an experienced builder to measure from the pin and if that had been done there would not have been a problem. Ms. Clegg explained that Steve Foglio approved the placement of the garage. Jim stated that he would like to look at the property and then will make a recommendation to the board. Motion by Brenda to table until the CEO comes back with a recommendation. Seconded by Willis. Vote 2-0-0.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Willis requested that Brenda work with Barbara Genthner to write the Town Report dedication.
2. Motion by Brenda that the Selectmen excuse Sue Dunlap from four Planning Board meetings as requested in her letter dated 10/27/00. Seconded by Willis. Vote 2-0-0.
3. Discussed the gate on Bagley Road Ext. Willis suggested that the board send a letter to Mr. Brann through the attorney stating that the gate is to be removed within one week or the town will remove it. Denise Knox owns the property where the stop post for the gate is located and does not want the gate in place. Can not gain access to her property because of the gate. Motion by Brenda that a letter be requested from the attorney to Mr. Brann stating that appropriate action will be taken to prevent any barrier across the road. Dale stated that immediately after the town spent taxpayers money to improve the road to his property, he gated it to keep the taxpayers out. Bob Gobeil questioned if he could be contacted and asked to remove the gate without bringing in the attorney. Willis explained that this has been tried and he is unwilling to cooperate with the town. Dale also stated that there is an old cemetery up there and did not feel he had the right to expect the Historical Society to walk in there with their equipment to

maintain it nor is it right to keep the family of those buried there from access to a family plot.

4. Discussed Paul Verrell Sr. application for the Finance Committee. Brenda requested that Scott find out if there were any openings on that committee before making an appointment. Brenda stated that she felt he would be very good on the Public Safety Committee if he is interested.

OTHER

1. Read a letter from the historical society. Discussed the letter and the cemetery trust funds. Scott to find out what money is available prior to meeting with them on Thursday.
2. Read the letter from Bertha McAloon, tax collector. Willis read from last weeks Smart Shopper and explained that the audit wasn't complete and still isn't. Stated that an item like this discredits good people and the town. Stated that regarding work taken home, the auditor stated that it is common practice. The article makes it sound as though this happened because the individual is elected but noted that appointed people make mistakes too. Brenda stated that Bob Hunt was concerned that records were removed and not signed out. Also stated that she is concerned with statements such as this are being made in this forum based on a previous incident. Motion by Brenda to accept the resignation of Bertha McAloon. Willis amended to add with deep regret. Brenda stated that this was not her motion. Willis seconded the amended motion. Vote 2-0-0.
3. Motion by Brenda that next weeks regular meeting be postponed until Thursday, November 9th due to the election on Tuesday. Seconded by Willis. Vote 2-0-0.
4. Discussed burning at the dump. Requested that Scott look into this and see if they can't get together with the Fire Dept. so that each time they start a fire in the pit, the Fire Dept. doesn't show up and put it out. Discussed the hiring of a paramedic. Scott meeting with the Chief tomorrow. Willis stated that it has been over a month. Scott to have more answers after tomorrows meeting. It is his understanding that the person is scheduled to being on Nov. 9th. Willis stated that the 9th is not acceptable.
5. Discussed the meeting with Chuck Morgan of SMRP regarding a community development block grant for \$10,000. The deadline for the grant is Feb. 16th. Was suggested that it be written by a group of citizens. Brenda suggested four plus Scott. Did contact Mark Ford. Discussed meeting with CEO of Architectural Skylight on Monday. Willis stated that he would like to see them add on and stay in town. Mentioned that Horton's left in the spring. Stated that almost everyone who applies for this grant receives it.
6. Discussed the grant for bike lanes
7. Discussed running water lines down Old Alfred Road to the new fire station.
8. Discussed the attendance of Zoning Board of Appeals members
9. Discussed the cardboard container at the transfer station. The new 40 yard container should be in later this week. They are currently filling one container a week. Will switch over to the new container as soon as possible.
10. Discussed security procedures and new employees. Scott to review procedures with all new employees.
11. Discussed the land swap between SAD #57 and the Town of Alfred which will be on the ballot November 7th.

SELECTMEN'S ASSISTANT

1. Stated that in conjunction with the Town Clerk they have put a full-page ad in the Smart Shopper explaining the ballot for the November 7th election.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Brenda to adjourn at 8:30 p.m. Seconded by Willis. Vote 2-0-0.

SIGNED:

APPROVED

Date: 11/9/00

Willis A. Ford
