SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES December 18, 2001

PRESENT: Bob Fay, Doug Foglio, Willis Lord, Nancy Brandt, Pam Witman, Donald Boillard, Bob & Ruth Jones, Mike DeAngelis, Russ & Teresa Lowell & Bob Gobeil.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING: Opened Public Hearing for the Renewal of a Junkyard Permit for Robert & Ruth Jones. Closed hearing after no comment from the public. Motion by Willis and seconded by Doug to approve the renewal. Vote 3-0-0.

7:15 p.m. – Mike DeAngelis addressed the board regarding the outfield fence at Friendship Park which is in very bad shape. Has sought bids from three fence companies to replace the fence and move the opening. With all of the bids received, Parks & Recreation would be responsible for the removal of the old fence. Bids are as follows:

Four Seasons - \$5,400 Maine Line Fence - \$4,500 H. A. Stone & Son - \$3,452

They would reinstall a chain link fence and move the opening to left field. Requested permission to award the bid to H. A. Stone. Would like to start this project as soon as the snow melts. Would take the funds ½ from Parks and ½ from Maintenance Expense. The fence would be rebuilt per Little League specifications. Motion by Willis to approve a contract with H. A. Stone for \$3,452. Seconded by Bob. Vote 2-0-1 with Doug abstaining.

HEARING OF DELEGATION

Mr. Boillard requested again that a crosswalk be placed across Old Alfred Road at the end of Hanna Drive. Discussed the problem with snow removal at the end of Hanna Drive because of the wooden fence on the corner. Feels that it is very dangerous for children waiting for the bus on that corner. If the fence was moved back you could push the snow back further. Bob offered to talk to the school department and the state safety engineer regarding the crosswalk issue and will put back on an agenda after getting their opinion. Does not feel that a crosswalk will make it safer for the children. Willis stated that he would prefer the children cross with the flashing red lights on the school bus not in a crosswalk. Doug questioned if the town should be placing a crosswalk on a state road or if the state should handle this. Reported that he spoke with Sgt. Chauvette about meeting with the Road Review Committee regarding using the traffic counter. It not only counts traffic but also registers speed. Bob stated that the town can put a crosswalk on a state road but would like to speak with the state safety engineer before having further discussions on this matter.

NEW BUSINESS

- Motion by Willis and seconded by Bob to approve the amendment to the Saco River Joint Cable TV Committee as requested. Vote 2-1-0 with Doug opposed due to not having the information sooner.
- 2. Motion by Willis to accept the two month extension with Custom Transfer and seconded by Doug. Vote 3-0-0. Discussed whether to enter into a three year

contract. Discussed having the contract expire with the end of the fiscal year. Doug stated that he is doing a study on the cost. Motion by Doug that Bob work with Mrs. Stevens of Custom Transfer to arrive at a contract to end June 2003 and seconded by Willis. Vote 3-0-0.

Willis reviewed the list of upcoming meetings.

OTHER

- 1. Motion by Willis and seconded by Doug to have the Transfer Station open 1-3 p.m. on New Years Eve. Vote 3-0-0
- 2. Motion by Bob and seconded by Doug to accept the minutes of 12/11 and Council Meeting minutes as written. Vote 3-0-0.
- 3. Discussed building permit charges. Will place on the Jan. 8th Selectmen's Meeting for further discussion and possible vote.
- 4. Doug stated that he has heard that all should read the minutes of the last school board meeting to see the pay increases. The Superintendent was given a raise in the double digits when he has asked all the town departments to hold the line. Willis noted that all Waterboro Directors did vote against these pay increases. Bob stated that there will be no building relief for Waterboro by moving the Middle School to Alfred because the High School is still here. Stated to the Directors that there have been a couple of passes made in the past about getting a one vote decision made on the school board. Can not imagine that a judge would uphold that voting system that they have. Doug stated that they should proportionately charge the other five towns in the district for what that school being located in Waterboro has cost the taxpayers. Bob stated that he does not want to start bussing students out of town.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Doug and seconded by Bob to adjourn at 7:40 p.m. Vote 3-0-0

SIGNED:

Warrant for Bills and Payroll

1. Minutes of 12/11/01

APPROVED

Date: