

Selectmen's Meeting - September 25, 1989

Present for the meeting were Selectman Thomas Mansfield, Willard Dodge and Arthur Johnston and Sandra Gendron took minutes.

Bids were opened for the final closure of the landfill with Tim Cady present representing GZA the engineering firm hired by the Town of New Boston to supervise the closure operation. Thirteen bids were received the lowest submitted by W. Boisvert and Sons and Don Wheeler Construction who would do the job as a joint venture. After the initial opening of the bids and the amounts were read, the Selectmen discussed the amounts and the terms of the bids received. It was the unanimous decision of the Board of Selectmen to waive the written qualifications for the bid and award the job to the lowest bidder as named above. This decision was based on the good work practices displayed by W. Boisvert and Sons who had been awarded the contract for the first phase of the final closure of the landfill and then further based on the solid reputations of both Boisvert and Wheeler. Mr. Boisvert was called at 8:00 pm and awarded the bid.

The Selectmen met with Lee Murray Road Agent and discussed with him the letter that had been sent by the Planning Board to Robert Tardiff stating that the Town would begin to get prices on the satisfactory completion of Cedar Drive since Mr. Tardiff had not met the date by which he claimed he would begin completion. Discussion ensued on how the bid would go out, whether the job would go out in its entirety or whether quotes would only be requested to point of paving, holding that final step until next year based on the fact that it was already fall. Lee estimated that it would take between 10 and 12 thousand dollars to bring the road to pavement. The procedure to be followed would be that Lee would contact local contractors who had done satisfactory road work for the town previously for estimates on this project.

Discussion turned to a decision that needs to be made regarding Phase III of the Waldorf Estates Subdivision dealing with the detention ponds and the depth of the culverts. Joe Foistner the developer would have to be contacted and offered some solutions to the problem. Some that would be suggested to him would be to raise the road, build a retention berm or drop the culvert to reduce the level of the water.

Lee told the Selectmen that he had purchased the batteries for the large generator purchased by the town to be used in the case of a major emergency. Lee is also trying to deal with a wiring problem on the generator and will back-trace ownership in the hope of getting an electrical diagram.

The committee that had been established by the Selectmen to ^{review} short roads that were being plowed during winter months by the Town was discussed and it was determined that Selectman Mansfield would represent the Board on this committee.

The Board of Trustees Lou Lanzillotti, Phil Harvell and Bill Morin were invited in to meet with the Board of Selectmen and representatives from the Fire Department. Discussion centered around tracking the interest earned on the Elbridge Colby Fund which by virtue of a Trust goes for the use of the Fire Department. It appears that the monies in question had been deposited in a separate account and it was agreed that Lou Lanzillotti would close the account, ^{that held the interest} and give the Fire Department a check in that amount. Discussion then turned to the opening of an account which had been properly voted at Town Meeting and whose funds would be used for care of water protection systems in New Boston. There had been much discussion and correspondence regarding the opening of the account between the Fire Department and Lou Lanzillotti Trustee of the Trust Funds and there was frustration developing on the part of the Fire Department. It was agreed that any monies received by the Fire Department for their own use could be designated to this Fund and further any monies received from developers in lieu of putting in a cistern could go directly to this fund none of which would have to go through the General Funds of the Town. It was agreed that the Fire Department would send to Lou a check which would represent funds they would like deposited to this new account and Lou would open said account. There was some discussion as to the type of account that would be created, but to date the monies would not be large enough for to allow for many options in investments.

Diane Gauthier of Pine Echo Road was in to discuss the opening of a flower shop in her home. Having determined that this venture complied with the definition of a "home business", the Selectmen asked Diane to sign an agreement stating this compliance a copy of which will be forwarded to the Planning Board to set up a hearing for Non-Residential Site Plan Review.

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The Board reviewed the plan for subdivision which was being submitted to the Planning Board by Lorraine Barney which would change the road location in front of her house on Roby Road to allow for the porch on her house to have the proper set-back from the road. Agreements for this project have been drafted and signed in 1988. After review Claire Dane of the Planning Board determined that the plan submitted still had the porch only 33' from the road. It was decided that Selectman Dodge would approach Walter Leach, Jr. to see if he would be willing to include an additional 17' in whatever agreement he had made with Mrs. Barney.

Mail was reviewed, checks were signed and the meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



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