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TOWN OF NEW BOSTON
SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES

November 6, 1995

A regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Pimenta.

PRESENT: Michael S. Pimenta, Chairman
Darlene M. Goodin, Selectman
Gordon A. Carlstrom, Selectman
Todd I. Selig, Town Administrator

The Selectmen did not have an opportunity to approve the October 30, 1995, Selectmen's Meeting minutes.

At 7:30 p.m. Police Chief Jim McLaughlin met with the Selectmen for his monthly meeting. Chief McLaughlin asked the Board if he could attend an emergency management training seminar focusing on "coordinating resources" hosted by the N.H. National Guard scheduled for November 21, 1995. Discussion took place concerning this topic and the Board did not appear to have any opposition to Mr. McLaughlin attending the seminar.

Chief McLaughlin informed the Selectmen that he was working on new policies and procedures for the Police Department. These should be completed in the next few months.

Chief McLaughlin explained that it has been suggested by local veterinarians that the Animal Control Officer only put animals injured on the road to sleep, leaving the final act/determination of euthanizing the animal to the veterinarian. The purpose of this is to protect the officer from being harmed by the injured animal, as well as to leave the determination of euthanization to the professional veterinarian. A dart pistol is needed to put an animal to sleep along the roadside. The dart rifle which the Police Department currently owns is too powerful for small animals found on the road. Chief McLaughlin asked the Selectmen if he could purchase such a dart pistol. There did not appear to be any opposition to the Chief making this purchase.

Chief McLaughlin advised the Board that Loretta Caterino of 44 Joe English Road is planning to donate animal pens to be placed by the rear of the Police Station.

The Board discussed the "No Thru Trucking" designation for Bedford Road with Chief McLaughlin. It was felt that it would be possible to change the current ordinance to allow local hauling on Bedford Road with the prior permission of the Road Agent. Only 10 wheel trucks and under would be allowed to use the road.

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No tractor trailers would be permitted. Chief McLaughlin advised that whatever policy the Board does adopt for Bedford Road, that more signs be posted on the road to warn truckers of the policy. Signs should be placed at each of the entrance points to Bedford Road.

The Board discussed emergency generators with Chief McLaughlin. Chief McLaughlin explained that after further consultations with both PSNH and Fire Inspector David Poole, he had determined that an 8 KW generator with a 200 AMP service switch would be sufficient to power the Police Department at its current size. If the department expanded, however, the generator might be too small but could then be moved to another Town facility. Chief McLaughlin stressed this last point to the Selectmen. The Selectmen authorized Chief McLaughlin to purchase the 8 KW generator with a 200 AMP service switch. Local electricians would be asked to give price estimates on the installation work.

At 8:37 p.m., Chairman Pimenta opened a public hearing on whether to allow Mr. George O. St. John of 112 Butterfield Mill Road to place a temporary trailer on his property at this location (Map 10, Lot 5) in New Boston as part of his building permit as per the requirements of the New Boston Temporary Trailer/Mobile Home Permit Ordinance. Mrs. Emily St. John of 540 Old Coach Road and George O. St. John of 112 Butterfield Mill Road were in attendance. Chairman Pimenta read the public notice for the meeting which was posted in four places in New Boston, as well as the notice which was placed in the Goffstown News and sent to abutters, aloud. There were no objections to the placement of the trailer raised at the meeting. The Board is waiting on the results of the required water test before it issues the permit.

The Selectmen met with the New Boston Fire Wards in the Town Hall Conference Room at 9:25 p.m. concerning the New Boston Large Building Fire Code and cistern requirements imposed on developers. It was decided that representatives from the Fire Wards would meet with the Selectmen on a monthly basis to keep lines of communication open between the two boards. On December 18, 1995, at 8:30 p.m., the Fire Wards will send representatives over to meet with the Selectmen.

Town Administrator Selig updated the Board on the status of the Friend's of the Library's proposal to place a community calendar in the lobby of the Town Hall. The idea is to have Sandy Gallup maintain this calendar so that members of the public can engage in "one stop shopping" when they desire to find out what activities are planned by the Town and other groups in New Boston. The Board did not have any opposition to placing this calendar on the wall in the Town Hall entranceway across from the

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Town Clerk's office. The Selectmen had proposed originally that this calendar be placed either at the Library or outside the Town Hall in an enclosed case. However, Mr. Selig had learned that there is just no room for such a calendar in the Library, and that once before an enclosed outdoor calendar had been tried unsuccessfully in front of the Town Hall.

The Selectmen reviewed a response from Building Inspector Dennis Sarette to Mr. Ed Lee of Clark Hill Road. The response comes after the Selectmen received a letter of complaint from Mr. Lee concerning alleged junkyard and potential pollution issues on abutting properties near his Clark Hill Road residence. The Selectmen approved Mr. Sarette's response.

The Board of Selectmen decided that department head meetings would be cancelled until further notice from the Selectmen. Mr. Selig was asked to send the department heads a memorandum to this effect.

The Board of Selectmen asked Mr. Selig to invite members of the New Boston Road Committee in to meet with them next week to discuss road issues affecting the Town.

The Selectmen asked Town Administrator Selig to have Amherst set the date for the perambulation of the Amherst/New Boston Town Line.

The Selectmen briefly reviewed the draft version of the Joint Loss Management Program which has been prepared by the New Boston Safety Committee. The Selectmen wanted to review the document further before voting to approve/modify it.

The Selectmen decided that those employees who had turned down health insurance benefits offered by the Town would be paid the annual incentive worth approximately \$1,274.64 in cash as per past policy. The Selectmen instructed Town Administrator Selig, however, to send a notice to applicable employees with the incentive check stating that the policy would not be a guarantee for next year as the Board was reviewing employee benefits.

The Board discussed the fact that repairs to the Transfer Station Trailer were going to run over budget by approximately \$1,994.00. The Board felt that it was important to fix the trailer as it is essential to the normal operation of the New Boston Transfer Station. Originally, only \$6,500.00 was allocated at Town Meeting for this purpose. However, once sandblasted, it was apparent that rust damage to the trailer was much greater than was first anticipated. The Board authorized Transfer Station Manager Bethune to overexpend her budget by this amount to cover

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the cost of the repairs to the trailer.

Selectmen Carlstrom indicated that he would try to attend a meeting of the Baseball Field Committee and the Recreation Commission on November 21, 1995, at 7:30 p.m., in the Recreation Office.

Pat Jennings and Lyn Lombard of the New Boston Garden Club have submitted a proposal to plant flowers on the Town Common, near the Historical Building, and in front of the Whipple Free Library for \$600.00. The Board of Selectmen would like to present this as a separate warrant article to the townspeople at March 1996 Town Meeting.

The Board approved Town Administrator Selig purchasing a dot matrix printer for the New Boston Building Department.

The Board reviewed and signed payroll and accounts payable checks.

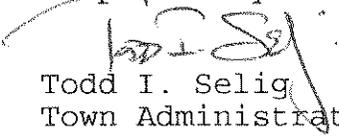
Chairman Pimenta signed pistol permits.

The Board signed intent to cut forms.

The Board signed other miscellaneous correspondence and materials.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Todd I. Selig
Town Administrator