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**Town of New Boston**

**Selectmen's Meeting Minutes**

**March 25, 1996**

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

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

Selectman Pimenta made a motion to accept the minutes from the March 18, 1996, Selectmen's Meeting, as amended. Chairman Goodin Seconded the motion. Selectman Carlstrom felt that the minutes were too vague and did not give an accurate enough depiction of the serious discussions which had occurred between the Selectmen concerning important matters relevant to the Town. The vote was: Chairman Goodin - yes, Selectman Carlstrom - no, Selectman Pimenta - yes. The motion carried.

At 7:00 p.m., Chairman Goodin, Selectman Carlstrom, and Town Administrator Selig met with Town Counsel Leslie Nixon, Planning Coordinator Claire Dodge, and Planning Board members Brent Armstrong, Philip Consolini, Diane Manson, and Harold "Bo" Strong, to discuss the Declaration of Revocation the Planning Board has recently issued to Yankee Trust relevant to the Juniper Hill Subdivision in New Boston.

Chairman Pimenta arrived at the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

Recreation Director Sandy Gallup came before the Board of Selectmen for her monthly meeting at 7:50 p.m. Also present were: Dan MacDonald, Chuck Forsaith, Peter Martinelli, Karen Hall, Mike Pavesi, Steve Ruddock, Steve Peach, Lee Brown, and Tim Cady. The Board of Selectmen discussed the proposed ballfield expansion project at the Town's Old Coach Road baseball field with the group assembled. Director Gallup also discussed the possibility of holding a "Block Party" in August 1996 on the Town Common, and the idea of soliciting free gravel from each of the Town's active gravel pits for the baseball field project. The Selectmen were asked if they would be willing to send a letter to the Board of Selectmen in Weare requesting that Weare bring their baseball program under the auspices of the Town. The New Boston Selectmen felt they needed to consider the matter before acquiescing to this request.

The Board of Selectmen met with the New Boston Planning Board at 8:30 p.m. for their monthly meeting with the Selectmen. Present were: Brent Armstrong, Philip Consolini, Claire Dodge, Diane Manson, Harold "Bo" Strong, and John Palmer. Dan MacDonald and Lee Brown were also present as members of the general public. Planning Board Chairman Brent Armstrong presented the Planning Board's recommendation that Harold Strong be reappointed for a three

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year term as a regular member of the Planning Board, and that Diane Manson be reappointed as an alternate member of the Planning Board for a three year term.

Selectman Carlstrom made a motion to appoint Harold Strong to a three year term as a regular member on the New Boston Planning Board which will expire in 1999, and to appoint Diane Manson to a three year term as an alternate member of the Planning Board which will expire in 1999. Selectman Pimenta seconded the motion. The vote was: Chairman Goodin - yes, Selectman Carlstrom - yes, Selectman Pimenta - yes. The motion carried.

Chairman Armstrong explained that the Dupuis Subdivision with 30+ lots located off of McCurdy Road was taking up a great deal of time in the Planning Office. Planning Coordinator Dodge, Road Agent Lee Murray, and Conservation Commission will have to do a tremendous amount of technical reviewing for this project.

The Planning Board is also working on updating the Master Plan. Other projects which the Planning Board is undertaking include: reviewing subdivision and site plan regulations, reviewing the Town's zoning ordinances, conducting an impact fee feasibility study, and reviewing and updating cistern specifications. Chairman Armstrong informed the Selectmen that the Planning Office had just received three new subdivision applications with a potential of 50 more lots in New Boston. Harold Strong felt that the Selectmen should speak with the State of N.H. about looking at what could be done to improve the intersection of Routes 13 and 77, as well as the area in front of Dodge's Store.

School Board Member Kevin Larmand came before the Board of Selectmen at 8:47 p.m. to discuss the possibility of having video camera access installed in New Boston which would enable the School Board and Board of Selectmen to broadcast their respective meetings live to New Boston residents on Channel 8. Mr. Larmand felt that such an arrangement might be possible to negotiate during the Town's next franchise renewal with the local cable company. The Board of Selectmen took the matter under advisement.

Fire Chief James Dodge came before the Board of Selectmen at 9:00 p.m. for his monthly meeting. Chief Dodge and the Selectmen discussed the possibility of holding department head meetings once again. Chief Dodge also discussed why he feels many of the Town's department heads and employees are frustrated with the Board of Selectmen. The Board informed Mr. Dodge that a department head meeting had been scheduled for April 4, 1996, at 7:00 p.m., in the Town Hall Conference Room to get a lot of concerns out in the open.

Chief Dodge also discussed the fact that the New Boston Fire Department was considering allowing medicine to be carried on the ambulance due to the fact that one of the emergency personnel had reached the level of paramedic. The Selectmen explained that the Town's insurance

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company would have to be contacted before this could happen to determine what the implications of this change would mean to the Town.

Chairman Goodin made a motion to enter into non-public session to discuss personnel issues pursuant to RSA 91-A:31I(a) at 9:55 p.m. Selectman Carlstrom seconded the motion. The roll call was: Chairman Goodin - yes; Selectman Carlstrom - yes, Selectman Pimenta - yes. The motion carried unanimously. Town Administrator Selig was present to take the minutes.

The Board of Selectmen discussed whether former Town Treasurer Simone Hunter would be allowed to perform Treasurer work while she was simultaneously working as secretary to the Building Office.

Chairman Goodin made a motion to exit non-public session. Selectman Carlstrom seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Selectman Pimenta made a motion not to allow former Town Treasurer Simone Hunter to perform Town Treasurer work while she was simultaneously working as the secretary to the Building Office. Selectman Carlstrom seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Town Administrator Selig was instructed to inform Mrs. Hunter of the Board's decision concerning this matter.

The Board discussed establishing goals and objectives for the Board of Selectmen. Selectman Carlstrom made a motion to continue this discussion on April 1, 1996. Selectman Pimenta seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board decided to discuss the Town Administrator's job description on April 1, 1996.

Selectman Carlstrom updated the Board on what had transpired at the March 19, 1996, Planning Board meeting.

The Board asked Mr. Selig to contact each of the Town's various appointed Boards, Committees, and Commissions and have them notify the Selectmen as to their recommendations for appointments for their respective members whose terms expire in 1996. The Board will discuss this matter further in the coming weeks.

The Board discussed whether to continue to inspect the Town's gravel pits or to delegate this responsibility to the Building Inspector. Selectman Pimenta made a motion for the Selectmen to personally inspect each gravel pit prior to renewing permits. Chairman Goodin seconded the motion. The vote was: Chairman Goodin - yes, Selectman Carlstrom - abstained, Selectman Pimenta - yes. The motion carried.

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Selectman Carlstrom made a motion that the Town should not allow members of the general public to borrow folding chairs for private functions. Selectman Pimenta seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Goodin informed the Board that she had spoken with Diane Murray about cleaning the Town Hall in the interim until a replacement could be found. Chairman Goodin made a motion that the Selectmen allow Diane Murray to clean the Town Hall in the interim until a replacement could be found and to issue her a key to the Selectmen's Officer. Selectman Carlstrom seconded the motion. The vote was: Chairman Goodin - yes, Selectman Carlstrom - yes. Selectman Pimenta - no. The motion carried.

The Board reviewed payroll and accounts payable checks.

Chairman Goodin signed pistol permits.

The Board reviewed and/or signed other miscellaneous correspondence and materials.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Todd I. Selig". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping initial "T".

Todd I. Selig  
Town Administrator