

APPROVED 5/20/96

TOWN OF NEW BOSTON

SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES

May 6, 1996

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

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

Mr. Lee Brown attended the Selectmen's meeting from 7:50 p.m. until adjournment.

The Selectmen did not have an opportunity to review the April 15, 1996, April 22, 1996, or April 29, 1996, public or non-public Selectmen's Meeting minutes.

Mr. Paul Clifton-Waite, a newspaper reporter from the Union Leader, came before the Board at 7:00 p.m. and requested a copy of the regular and non-public minutes from the April 29, 1996, Selectmen's meeting. Mr. Clifton-Waite was given a copy of the regular minutes from the 4/29/96 meeting, however, he was refused a copy of the 4/29/96 non-public minutes due to the fact that they had been sealed by a 2/3 vote of the Board of Selectmen. Mr. Clifton-Waite formally requested that the Board of Selectmen give him a copy of the 4/29/96 non-public minutes, stating that he did not understand why the minutes had been sealed. Chairman Goodin, speaking on behalf of the Board, refused to release the requested non-public minutes and explained that because the minutes in question involved a personnel matter, they had been sealed by a 2/3 vote of the Board of Selectmen. Mr. Clifton-Waite stated that he would follow up his verbal request with a request in writing.

The Board met with applicants who were interested in filling the part-time cleaning vacancy at the Town Hall. The following were interviewed by the Selectmen beginning at 7:15 p.m.: Marcy Elliott, Kelly Fickett, Susan Piaseczny, Pat Dobbins. After some deliberation, the Board of Selectmen decided to hire Marcy Elliott to fill the 6 hour per week position.

The Board met with Mr. Alan Briere of 206 Joe English Road, New Boston, who has expressed interest in serving on the New Boston Forestry Committee. Two vacancies currently exist on the Forestry Committee. Mr. Selig was asked to check with the N.H. Municipal Association to determine if Alternate Members could be appointed to the Committee.

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Fire Chief Jim Dodge came before the Board of Selectmen at approximately 9:10 p.m. to discuss setting up a sprinkling system at the Town brush pit to alleviate the danger of uncontrollable brush fires at the Transfer Station. Chief Dodge felt that for approximately \$500.00 to \$600.00, a good sprinkling system could be established at the site. It was decided to move a large 10,000 gallon water tank to the Transfer Station on Wednesday, May 8, 1996, to begin setting up the site for a sprinkling system. In the future, Chief Dodge recommended building a second brush pit next to the present pit so that controlled and managed burning and dumping could take place at the Transfer Station. The Forestry Committee will have to be consulted, however, as the area next to the present pit is partially outside the transfer Station fence and may encroach upon the Lydia Dodge Town Forest.

The Board scheduled the following gravel pit inspections for 8:00 a.m. on Monday, May 13, 1996: Strong, Carolyn - Lyndeborough Road; Tingley Family Trust - Mont Vernon Road; Wheeler, David - Lyndeborough Road.

The Board briefly reviewed the minutes from the 1996 Annual Town Meeting.

The Board decided that New Boston Central School Principal Rick Matthews would be invited to all future Department Head Meetings held on the first Wednesday of each month.

The Board tentatively scheduled a meeting with representatives from the U.S. Postal Service to discuss the possible relocation of their New Boston branch for Friday, May 10, 1996, at 11:00 a.m. Town Administrator Selig was asked to finalize the details of the meeting.

The Board briefly discussed their site walk on the Middle Branch Associates/Elliott proposed subdivision which took place on Saturday, May 4, 1996, at 9:00 a.m.

The Board discussed the fact that NYNEX has agreed to raise the central telephone box located in front of the New Boston Fire Department by approximately 1.5 feet in order to prevent damage during flooding. In addition, NYNEX will hard-wire the Town's municipal emergency lines to the top of the telephone pole at this location.

Town Administrator Selig reported to the Board that the "Introductory First Aid" course put on by the New Boston Safety Committee on May 3, 1996, had gone off very well.

Chairman Goodin updated the Board on the April 30, 1996, Planning

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The New Boston Solid Waste Committee will tour the Wheelabrator Incinerator in Penacook this Wednesday, May 8, 1996, at 9:30 a.m. The Board received a letter from Kim DiPietro of the Piscataquog Area Trailways Association in reference to trees which had been cut along the side of Middle Branch Road near the proposed Middle Branch Association/Elliott subdivision. The Selectmen felt that they needed to view the site again before being able to comment on the letter.

The Board reviewed a request from Margit Hooper of 60 Bedford Road to utilize the Town Hall Conference Room on Friday evenings for an exercise class. The Board felt that exercise classes should be held at the Thomas Mansfield Gymnasium at the Central School.

The Board reviewed and signed payroll and accounts payable checks.

Chairman Goodin signed pistol permits.

The Board signed intent to cut forms.

The Board reviewed other correspondence and miscellaneous items.

Respectfully Submitted,



Todd I. Selig  
Town Administrator