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**Town of New Boston**

**Selectmen's Meeting Non-Public Minutes**

**July 1, 1996**

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

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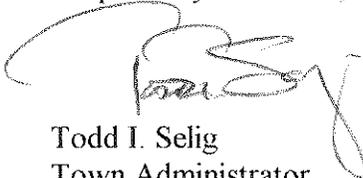
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Respectfully submitted,



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Town Administrator

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A regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen was called to order at 7:10 p.m. by Chairman Goodin.

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Gordon A. Carlstrom, Selectman  
Todd I. Selig, Town Administrator

The Board did not have an opportunity to discuss the June 3, 1996, Selectmen's Meeting minutes. Selectman Carlstrom made a motion to approve the Selectmen's Meeting regular minutes from June 17, 1996. Selectman Pimenta seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Selectman Pimenta made a motion to approve the Selectmen's Meeting non-public minutes from June 17, 1996. Selectman Carlstrom seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

At 7:10 p.m., Dave Fluharty, Director of the University of New Hampshire Technology Transfer Center, came before the Board to present Road Agent Lee Murray with a Master Road Scholar award for accumulating 100 hours of contact training through the Road Scholar Program. Master Road Scholar is the highest level one can attain through the University of New Hampshire T2 Center. Road Agent Murray was also presented with a clock by Mr. Fluharty. Present during the ceremony were: Mrs. Dianne Murray, Chairman Goodin, Selectman Carlstrom, Town Administrator Selig, State Representative Susan Clay, and Paul Clifton-Waite of the Union Leader.

Selectman Pimenta arrived at the meeting at approximately 7:20 p.m.

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At 7:40 p.m., Police Chief Jim McLaughlin came before the Board of Selectmen for his monthly meeting. Also in attendance were State Representative Susan Clay and Paul Clifton-Waite of the Union Leader. Chief McLaughlin reported that the hiring process for the part-time officer vacancy was moving along smoothly. The pool of applicants has been narrowed from 15 to 5. Chief McLaughlin also reported on the difficulties he has had trying to find a suitable individual to fill the currently vacant part-time prosecutor's position in New Boston.

Selectman Carlstrom reported that the Central School Building Expansion Committee may not want the generator placed quite yet as they have not yet finalized the footprint of the potential building expansion project at the Central School. Chief McLaughlin said he would continue to move forward with the generator installation plans as soon as he heard more from the Central School about where the Expansion Committee wanted the generator placed.

Chief McLaughlin informed the Board that there was a possibility that a number of used video cameras and monitors could be donated to the Town for security and safety purposes at the New Boston Police Department. The Selectmen gave Chief McLaughlin permission to accept this equipment.

Chief McLaughlin reported that he would like to send Sergeant Tim Lamy to "Advanced Supervisory Training" for supervisory personnel within New Hampshire Police Departments. The funding for the training would come in part from a grant from Police Standards & Training, the remainder coming from the money Chief McLaughlin saved by not attending all of the Annual Chief's Conference earlier this year. The time frame would be late October to early November. The Board of Selectmen authorized Chief McLaughlin to send Sergeant Lamy to the training provided he has sufficient funding in his budget for it.

The Police Department is prepared for the Fourth of July celebration. The State of N.H. has agreed to put up permanent "no parking" signs along Route 13 to prevent parking along the sides of the roadway during special events. In the past this was done upon request. Budget constraints at the State level, however, will prohibit the State from undertaking such postings other than on a permanent basis. The Highway Department will therefore put up and take down the signs as necessary for special events over the course of the year.

Chief McLaughlin informed the Board that the front transfer case on the Police 4x4 is damaged and needs to be replaced for an approximate cost of \$695.00. The 4x4 has 51,000 miles on it and is beyond its 3 year warranty. This expense will put the vehicle maintenance line in the Police Department Budget over budget. The Board felt that Chief McLaughlin should look around to find a cheaper way to fix the problem. The problem prevents the 4x4 from shifting on the fly.

Chief McLaughlin discussed the possibility of the New Boston Police Department attaining State accreditation. The Board asked Mr. McLaughlin to provide them with written information

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concerning what accreditation would mean to the Town of New Boston. Chief McLaughlin said he would get this information for the Selectmen.

At 8:20 p.m., Tom Atkocaitis came before the Board due to his interest in purchasing the Stickney property located on Tax Map 3-7-0. Also in attendance was Tammy Duval. Mr. Atkocaitis wanted to know whether the Board would be willing to upgrade the portion of Helena Drive which abuts this property from Class VI to Class V status. The Board explained the roles the Selectmen and Planning Board play in reclassifying roads during the subdivision process. The Board also explained that even if they agree to allow Mr. Atkocaitis to upgrade the road to gravel, the Planning Board could still require that he bring it up to pavement. Mr. Atkocaitis will contemplate the issue further and get back to the Board if he makes a decision to purchase the land.

At 8:36 p.m., Kevin Larmand of 40 Molly Stark Lane came before the Board. Also in attendance were State Representative Susan Clay, Paul Clifton-Waite of the Union Leader, and Tammy Duval of 39 Dennison Road. Mr. Larmand asked the Board if it had made any progress in lowering the speed limit on Molly Stark Lane. The Selectmen responded that the Town now had speed counts for each of the streets in the downtown compact area. The Board now must analyze the results to determine if it will be possible to lower the speed in the downtown area.

Mr. Larmand recommended that the Town should spray poison on the poison ivy plants growing along the walkway which the Recreation Swim Lesson Program uses when utilizing Mr. Larmand's pool. Mr. Larmand also asked if the Selectmen could better mark the crosswalk on Molly Stark Lane for the swim lesson kids to cross. Chairman Goodin said that the Board would ask the Road Agent if it would be possible to place orange cones at this location.

Mr. Larmand asked the Board if it had looked any more into the possibility of providing cable access for public meetings. Chairman Goodin explained that the Board had not looked into the matter further since the Selectmen's last meeting with Mr. Larmand earlier this year. Chairman Goodin stated that if Mr. Larmand wanted to look into the cost of providing such a service, he should put together some prices for equipment and other materials needed for such a broadcast and present this information to the Selectmen.

Mr. Larmand discussed an idea he has concerning an alternative funding source for education. Mr. Larmand's plan would levy a 1% tax on all real estate sales in the community which would be used to help fund education in New Boston. Selectman Pimenta expressed support for the idea. Chairman Goodin felt that Mr. Larmand should do some checking to determine whether the proposed plan would be legal under current State law. Selectman Carlstrom also felt that Mr. Larmand should check to determine the legality of his plan. The Selectmen indicated that they would be willing to discuss the idea further with Mr. Larmand after he has looked into the legality of the plan.

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At 9:12 p.m., Marti Wolf and Patti Armstrong came before the Board to discuss their interest in running the Better Times publication. Also present were Paul Clifton-Waite of the Union Leader, Kevin Larmand, Tammy Duval, and State Representative Susan Clay. The Board discussed the history of the Better Times with Ms. Wolf and Ms. Armstrong. The non-political aspect of the Better Times by-laws was discussed by all present. Both Ms. Wolf and Ms. Armstrong agreed to take over the publication of the Better Times. The Selectmen asked Mr. Selig to turn the bank records over to Patti Armstrong who will serve as Treasurer of the publication.

The Board reviewed and tentatively approved a proposed fee schedule for construction and demolition debris at the Transfer Station which would go into effect as of August 1, 1996. The Board plans to hold a public hearing on the proposed schedule on Monday, July 15, 1996, at 7:30 p.m. in the Town Hall Conference Room. The Board will not take a final vote until after this hearing.

Mr. Selig updated the Board on the alleged junkyard located at the John Winslow property on 248 River Road. Mr. Selig and the Building Inspector are trying to set up a time to visit the site with Mr. Winslow in the near future.

Selectman Pimenta signed the perambulation report for the Town boundary between New Boston and Goffstown which he and Mr. Selig walked earlier this year with the Goffstown Selectmen. The Board also asked Mr. Selig to write to the other communities which boarder New Boston to set up site walks if perambulations are needed.

The Selectmen very briefly reviewed a "Goals" and "Merit" section of a draft personnel plan which Mr. Selig has been putting together.

The Fourth of July Association has discussed the idea of having the Town provide police coverage during the July 4th celebrations. They are open to the idea but would like to be involved in the discussion if the Selectmen decide to move forward with the idea. The Board will meet with the Fourth of July Association over the course of the next year to discuss the possibility of providing police coverage at the event in the future.

Selectman Carlstrom will assume his duties as the Selectmen's representative to the Planning Board in July. The Planning Board will hold a work session concerning the proposed Elliott Subdivision located on Route 136 and Middle Branch Road on July 9, 1996.

The Board discussed the fact that Senate Bill 502 was passed and signed into law, effective August 1, 1996. The bill allows administrative officials to serve as ex-officio members of Planning Boards. It also allows Selectmen to serve 4 month appointments on the Planning Board as ex-officio members.

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Town Administrator Selig informed the Board that a copy of the Yankee Trust Motion for Summary Judgment against the Town was available for them to review. Also available for review was the June 28, 1996, Hillsborough County Superior Court action concerning the Bowen/Riley Lot.

The Cemetery Trustees are scheduled to meet with the Selectmen on July 15, 1996, to discuss the possibility of bringing the Meetinghouse Hill Cemetery under the Town.

The Selectmen received a written request from the Clark Hill Road Study Committee asking that the Selectmen lower the speed limit on Clark Hill Road to 25 MPH. The Board asked Mr. Selig to speak with Road Agent Murray and the State Department of Transportation to learn more about traffic counts and the need for conducting them before changing the speed limit on local roads.

The Selectmen discussed appointments to various Town Boards & Committees.

Selectman Carlstrom made a motion to appoint the following individuals to the Zoning Board of Adjustment: Holly Bowen, Member - 3 year term expiring in 1999; Lloyd Hill, Member - 3 year term expiring in 1999; Kevin Ryan, Alternate - 3 year term expiring in 1999; David Craig, Alternate - 2 year term expiring in 1998. Selectman Pimenta seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Selectman Carlstrom made a motion to appoint Mary Ellen Compagna to a three year term on the Recreation Commission expiring in 1999. Selectman Pimenta seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Selectman Carlstrom made a motion to appoint Karen Hall to a three year term on the Recreation Commission expiring in 1999. Selectman Pimenta seconded the motion. Chairman Goodin felt that it might be good to appoint someone new to the commission as Ms. Hall has been a member for many years. The vote was: Chairman Goodin - no; Selectman Carlstrom - yes; Selectman Pimenta - yes. The motion passed.

Selectman Carlstrom made a motion to appointment Lloyd Hill to the Finance Committee for a three year term ending in 1999. Chairman Goodin seconded the motion. Selectman Pimenta was concerned that Mr. Hill had missed a large number of Finance Committee meetings in preparation for 1996 Town Meeting. The vote was: Chairman Goodin - yes; Selectman Carlstrom - yes; Selectman Pimenta - no. The motion passed.

The Board scheduled the following gravel pit inspections for Monday, July 8, 1996, at 6:00 p.m.: W. Boisvert & Sons - Helena Drive; E.H. Fillmore/Jade Realty - Route 114; Clifton Wilson - Middle Branch Road.

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The Board asked that the department heads be requested to provide them with goals/objectives for their respective departments for both the short and long term. The Selectmen did not want to specify how many years "short term" and "long term" referred to, preferring to leave this to the needs of each department.

The Board also discussed the possibility of working with the Library Trustees concerning parking in the downtown area.

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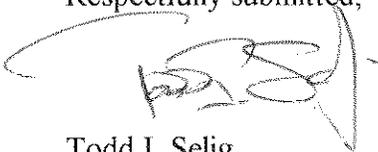
Chairman Goodin signed pistol permits.

The Board signed Intent-to-Cut forms.

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

Selectman Carlstrom made a motion to adjourn at 10:46 p.m. Selectman Pimenta seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Todd I. Selig", written over a horizontal line.

Todd I. Selig  
Town Administrator