

## Selectmen's Meeting Minutes

March 22, 1999

A regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen was called to order by Chairperson Clay at 7:05 PM.

### PRESENT:

Susan Clay – Chairperson  
Lois Briere – Selectman  
Gordon Carlstrom – Selectman  
Burton Reynolds – Town Administrator

### SCHEDULED APPOINTMENTS

- 1) Toni Pierce and Dave Hulick reviewed the spring and summer programs planned by the Recreation Dept. The heated indoor pool at Friendly Beaver Campground might be available again this year. The summer concert series will be on Sundays but all at 6PM instead of some at 6PM and some at 2PM.  
There is concern that no room has been made available at the school during the after school program for those who want to study. Only the hall can be used currently. Based on discussions with the Playground Association, the Recreation Commission is not comfortable placing the new piece of playground equipment at the downtown play site. They have decided instead to place it up where the ball fields now are. That site will likely have more activities as time goes by and may become one of the major recreation sites for town activities. Placing it there puts it on town owned land. They will have a professional firm install it and then we will add it to our town insurance policy. A fence will be installed to the back of the lot to prevent kids from wondering into the woods. There already is a fence to the side and along the front of the lot by Old Coach Road.
- 2) Jim McLaughlin is in final negotiations with Irwin Motors for the new 4WD police vehicle. They have offered the best trade-in on the old Crown Vic sedan. The vehicle itself will cost around \$26,000. He will then deal with Ossipee Mtn. for the police light bar, radio, and other equipment. There is a 6-8 week lead time for delivery. He is hopeful of getting the federal grant for the video camera. He feels this will be a good training tool plus be very helpful in establishing exactly what happened at a scene in case there are differing versions. The current 4WD had to have a transmission repair. It is now back in service and working fine.
- 3) Mike Richard was in to discuss Hazardous Waste Day. He recommended staying with "Safety Clean" as our coordinator. They have handled it in the past (9 out of 12 years) and was his choice after receiving 3 quotes. There was a motion by Gordon Carlstrom, 2<sup>nd</sup> Lois Briere, all approved using "Safety Clean". The two days will be in May and October this year. There was discussion about the need for the two days and how to handle hazardous wastes that are brought in at times other than these days. These issues need more discussion. Talked about how to get the word out about

hazardous wastes and the Hazardous Waste Days. We do receive around \$900. To defray costs related to educating the public about these topics.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The March 15, 1999 minutes were approved after being amended so the paragraph dealing with who was elected chairperson was the first thing noted. Motion by Lois Briere, 2<sup>nd</sup> Gordon Carlstrom, all approved.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

- 1) Quotes from phone companies for our long distance service were reviewed. The current carrier is One Star. They offered the best rates at .09 for out of state and .101 for in state calls. Other carriers quoting were: MCI, Sprint, ATT, and Frontier. The new contract is for 2 years and represents a penny lower per minute rate than what we have now.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- 1) M.D. Maintenance was the low bidder to replace our gas tanks at the Highway shed. They met with Road Agent Lee Murray last week and will begin the process of obtaining the needed State permits. They expect the job to be done in May-June sometime.
- 2) Road Agent Lee Murray plans to use accumulated developer's monies plus Block Grant money to upgrade Bog and Christy roads. He will have an on site meeting with interested contractors in a few weeks. Meanwhile, a set a specs will be developed for them to bid from.
- 3) Jane Carr, who lives on Christy Road, inquired about changing the spelling to Christie. That appears to be the original spelling but no one could tell us when or why it was changed. The Board asked Burton to write to Jane. There is no emergency services reason for changing so the town would not initiate. If the residents are strongly in favor, it could be considered.
- 4) The Web Site Committee met for two hours on Sat. 3/20. Members are: Janet Chamberlain, Pastor Dave Rising, Gibby French, Susan Stanley, and Town Administrator Burton Reynolds. Janet explained the history of the site and the current set-up. Members are to take a critical look at the site and offer suggestions for the next meeting scheduled for 4/24/99. Members are also to select the area in which they would like to focus or be in charge of. This is a new committee and was formed at Janet's suggestion because she was unable, alone, to keep the site current and do all she thought should be done.

- 5) Burton informed the Board that Chief McLaughlin felt there were better ways of helping the Transfer Station employees deal with enforcement issues other than “deputizing” them. He will work with Bonnie and Chuck when they do the Transfer Station hazard assessment to address these issues. He will also discuss this topic at the next Dept. Head meeting so everyone knows the extent of their authority.
- 6) Lou Maynard asked to be recognized and then expressed concern that the Fire Dept. had denied Ernest Zintel membership despite his qualifications. Lou also felt they owed him a reason. The Board asked Burton to invite the Fire Wards to a future meeting so they could outline the process and criteria for membership.

A motion to adjourn was offered at 8:50 PM by Gordon Carlstrom, 2<sup>nd</sup> Lois Briere, all approved.

Burton Reynolds  
Town Administrator