

MINUTES

8/7/79

Present: Chmn. John Monteith, Daniel Willett, Robert Fay,  
Dianne Holden, Jean Chick

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING----7:00 pm.

Comm. members present: Linwood Rollins, Anne Gardner, Phil Woodward, Andrew Woodsomw, Jr., Jim Carll, Jeannie Grant. Monteith, discussed the tax rate and also announced that Waterboro would be hosting the Solid Waste Disposal meeting at the Town Hall, Aug. 16, 7:30 pm. That Alfred had signed an agreement for one year with Rochester, N.H. for waste disposal, but was still interested in getting involved with the other area Town's on SWD.

Monteith stated the reason the Finance Comm. meeting had been called was to discuss the Contractor's bids for the proposed addition to the existing Town Hall. Fin. Comm. Chmn. Rollins asked about the 35% increase in costs in 5 months. Monteith said he felt some of the increase may have been the fact that the building would be moved 20 ft. toward the Day property. Willett said possibly the Selectmen should have built in for inflation. Rollins, said they would ~~xxxx~~not have built in that much. Monteith, said also the Selectmen could have been misled on costs. Monteith said Selectmen have two alternatives 1., reject all bids and start over . ar 2. atke the low bid submitted by Robert McAuliffe , hold a Special Town Meeting and ask the Townspeople if the amount needed be taken out of overlay. He said some cuts could be made ,but did not feel that it would be fair to the people.

Rollis asked if the Selectmen had a list of Subcontractor's Monteith said they did not. Willett asked the feelings of the Committee. Rollins said he felt it should not be dropped, but not to just take the monies out of an account with out holding a Special Town Meeting.

Andrew Woodsome, Jr. asked if any research or work had been done on tracing the Town House Cemetery. He felt that the T.H. being 10 ft. from the cemetery was to close for a casket to be carried in, if need be.

Woodsome asked if the situation would be taken care of and that he felt that the Selectmen had not done their job, because it had been discussed at an earlier meeting and it was going to be done. Willett said he had to take objection to the statement that the Selectmen had not done their job, that they felt that the area was wide enough for a casket to be carried in. Woodsome asked if this would be checked out. Willett said he would find out what could be done.

James Carll said he knew of no paper work on the layout of the Cemetery or whether or not the gate could be moved. But Arline Jellerson may have some information on this. Monteith said they had 30 days to accept a bid so would have to get moving in order to hold a Special Town Meeting. Rollins asked where the \$30,000. needed for the project would be taken from. Willett said it would come out of overlay.

The Finance Committee voted unanimously to hold a Special Town Meeting .

VICTUALER'S MEETING\_-----8:00 pm.

Present: Selectmen , Town Clerk/Treas. Jean Chick, Recorder Cliff Sawyer, Michael Tatusko, Ernest Shuleff, Ronald Bourque Atty., Fred Pierce, George DeWitt, Alton Abbott, Percy Abbott, Warren Gray, Mr. & Mrs, Richard Munroe. Meeting opened by Chmn. Monteith by reading of notice. The entire meeting was taped and available in the Town Clerk's Office.

Daniel Willett moved that they table the matter until it can be discussed with the Town Atty.

David Johnson, Y& R. Council-----8:45 pm.

Ballfield project discussed , it was decided that the completion would be taken over by the Selectmen. Willett said he had telephoned Frank Scott for a figure on how much he could do the rototilling, grading, hand work and have ready for seeding, Scott quoted the price of \$1,000. But that he would not be able to get to it until the middle of Sept.

Dennis Colley: 9:03 pm.

Mr. Colley said he felt that the drainage in the Birch Acres project should be a culvert making it safer, but was told that the vote at Town Meeting was for open ditching and that it would have to be completed as voted. Monteith said the Town would put in a chain link fence and build up Colley's land. Colley said that his Lawyer had told him he would get the remainder of the \$4,000. appropriated as voted in Art#23. Selectmen advised him to talk with his Lawyer again because he had been misled. The money was to be used as legal fees and land damage, not given out right to Mr. Colley. Selectmen Fay said that if Colley felt strongly against the open ditching that he should bring in a petition signed by the residents of Birch Acres and the Selectmen would not start the work. Fay said that all present at the Town Meeting were led to believe that Colley was for the open ditching. ~~xxxxx~~ Fay said that if a petition was not received that the Selectmen would have to do as voted at T.M. Mr. Colley was also informed that if Birch Acres waited until next Town Meeting that they maybe turned down completely and nothing be done.

Willis Lord: 10:00 pm.

Lord and Selectmen discussed the concrete specs on the Town House Addition Lord asked why the walls couldn't be cut down from 10'6" -- Willett said the reason for high walls was to have head room after, rafters, duck work and ceiling.

Lord said that Frank Carroll of Limerick had quoted a price of \$4160. with walls to 8 Ft. for the Salt Shed and he felt that it was a good price. Willett said he best take it.

Chmn. Rollins, Finance Comm., telephoned and asked that notices be sent to all Comm. members that a meeting would be held Tuesday, Aug. 14th at 7:30 pm. Agenda to be: Reviewing the Contractor' Bids of the proposed addition to the existing Town Hall, only.