

MINUTES

Sept. 20, 1983

Selectmen's Meeting

Present: Chmn. Andrew Woodsome, Jr., Robert Fay, Dennis Abbott,
Jean Chick.

6:45 PM Chmn. Woodsome reported that he had received a complaint that the ditch on the Deering Ridge Rd. by the Fallon property had been filled with debris, left by someone cutting out a driveway. Woodsome said that the Road Review Chmn. Willis Lord had told him that the Committee had met and reviewed the Ossipee Hill Rd. on last Sunday, as requested by the Selectmen. The Saco River TEL. & Tel. Co. had not done their work of moving the wires for CMP to change the sites of the poles on Ossipee Hill Rd. and also that the big culvert needs to be rocked and the area shouldn't be tarred until the culvert work is completed. The Rd. Review will be meeting shortly to draw up a Plan to determine costs of the completion of the Ossipee Hill Rd. for the Board of Selectmen to present at Annual Town Meeting in March.

✓ 7:00 PM. Stuart Gannett representing Southern Maine Finishing, Inc. had called the Chairman and requested a meeting with the Board concerning a letter that the Board had received from D.E.P. and had sent copies to all land abutters South of the So. Maine Finishing Corp. site. In July of this year an item was printed in the Journal Tribune reporting that the BEP was taking So. Maine Fin. Corp. to court concerning the contamination of well water adjacent to their property. Southern Maine finishing is in the business of electroplating metals. Apparently the Corp. is discharging daily 16,000 gallons of waste water into the ground. At this point the Board of Selectmen sent D.E.P. a letter requesting that the Town be made aware of the status of the suit plus and future plans for the plant. On Aug. 31, 1983 the Town received a letter from the D.E.P. stating that two wells abutting the Corp. property had been contaminated with high levels of cadmium.

The Board discussed the matter with Gannett for one hour and fifteen minutes. During which time Gannett explained that he had already started the Phases that D.E.P. are recommending. Gannett said this all started in 1978, under the law he had to apply for a license and with this was restrictions. D.E.P. requested that he build a water treatment facility to cleanse the waste water to be acceptable to D.E.P. standards. First he hired Bob Gerber to do a study of the area. Testing was done in December, however, because of frost in the ground the tests were found to be no good. Two wells were contaminated with heavy metals, one well belonging to Mrs. Doris Junkins has been replaced.

Financing forced a delay in the time frame of concerning to D.E.P., wishes.

A three Phase System was set up. 1st. Phase 40% to 60% correction to the problem of waste water before snow is on the ground. 2nd. Phase 20% to 30% late Summer. 3rd. Phase completion by late next year.

For the 1st. Phase \$72,000. of equipment has been ordered, due in the second week in November. Corp. already has spent \$60,000. on tests, etc., before finished the completed project will cost between 400 and 450,000.

Gannett said at first it was D.E.P. idea to put in injection wells 24 ft. into the ground under the hard pan and force the waste water North toward the race track (old race track behind the Corp. land). ~~The they decided on the water treatment plant.~~ *HE SAID HE TURNED THIS DOWN. HE WANTS A CLOSED-LOOP TREATMENT PLANT.*

Gannett stated that Southern Maine Finishing Corp. employes 55 people and has done ~~a~~ two million dollar sales in 1983. He wants to be a good corporate citizen and will try hard to accomplish what D.E.P. requires. *EMPLOYEES MAY GET TO NUMBER 100 EVENTUALLY.*

Fay asked if he had been sued by any private citizens and Gannett said not to date. Fay asked if he had any thoughts of giving up in Waterboro and moving his Company elsewhere. Gannett said he had plans for the next five years to expand his plant by building on another 140' X60' building to house the plating section.

Gannett said he had nothing to hide, he knows he has contaminated the area, working hard to clean it up and will keep the Board informed in the future. He also invited the Board to visit his plant at anytime to inspect what he is doing with the waste water. He hopes in the future to form what he referred to as a loop and reuse all the water over again after treatment. *NOTE

8:20 PM Arthur Stewart, concerned parent of a Kindergarden school bus passanger wants the bus to turn around in his driveway in order that the child not have to wait out on Route 202 for the bus, alone. Willis Lord Chmn. SAD #57 Director's was present at this time and Lord said that he was aware of this situation, and would see that the bus turned in the Stewart driveway. Mr. Stewart agreed to keep the driveway clear of any snow or vehicles.

Walt Stinson: Town Engineer, in to review some plans he has drafted for some future work that will be proposed for the Town Office Building. Woodsome informed Stinson and the Selectmen that he had received a phone call at 2:00 PM. this afternoon that testing at the old landfill would take place tomorrow, by an Agency that D.E.P. had contracted. Walt Stinson said he was to busy to attend tomorrow but could make it on Friday if the day could be changed. The Board will have C.E.O. Van Foglio attend the testing if possible.

Willis Lord: Road Review Committee will be sent out notice of a meeting to be held on Monday, Sept. 26th. at 7:30 PM. at the Town Office to review the recommendations of Ossipee Hill Rd. and come up with a figure for completion of the road. to be presented at Annual Town Meeting.

Mrs. Wishart: In to talk to Selectmen about the missing West Shore Rd. sign. and also the sign the Wishart's installed at the end of thier road. The Board told Mrs. Wishart that there isn't any monies available at this time in the sign account. Mrs. Wishart was told to bring in an Article before Dec. 1st. to call thier road Wish Lane to be presented at Annual Town Meeting in MARCH.

Ossipee Hill Rd: Douglas Foglio was given Selectmen approval to use rough loam.

Road Accounts: Selectmen reviewed the road money accounts and found many overdrafts. Selectman Fay to contact Rd. Commissioner Bean for a meeting 9/22/83 at 9:00 PM. at the Town Office. to go over the figures.

Stockpile Bids: One bid was submitted. This bid submitted by Dwayne Woodsome, 3,000 yards with 100 yards of salt to be stocked in south Waterboro for the sum of \$17,730. Motion made by Selectman Abbott, seconded by Selectman Fay to reject the bid because only \$12,000. was appropriated at Town Meeting for the Winter Stock Pile. Chmn Woodsome abstained from voting.

Tax Bills: The tax rate has been set at \$14.25, .6 less than last year. A newsrelease will be sent out to the newspapers.

Mrs. Janet Woodsome will be hired to help stuff the tax bills and other materials being sent out with the bills. Mrs. Woodsome will also be employed to run off copies of the complete tax listing. This listing will accompany the Annual Town Report of 1983. This listing must be printed and presented to the taxpayers every three years as voted by a prior Town Meeting.

Approved by:

Andrew C. Woodsome

Robert C. Fay

James G. Abbott
Selectmen, Town of Waterboro, Maine

*NOTE: Gannett said he had decreased the amount of water being discharged by reusing the water. The discharge is much less than it was three months ago. Gannett believes that there will be no discharge when plant is completed. He intends to form what he referred to as a "loop" and reuse all the water that in the past would have been discharged.