

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

MEETING MINUTES

1-24-95

Present: Dennis Abbott, Bob Fay, John Monteith and Dwayne Morin.

Also Present: Road Review Committee

APPOINTMENTS

6:30 p.m. - Road Review Committee

The Road Review Committee would like permission to hire a chipping company to go up on the Middle Road and clear all the trees and brush from stone wall to stone wall. Saco River Telephone is planning to install lines the entire length of the Middle Road to create a loop and the Committee felt it would be advantageous to perform the cutting prior to pole being installed. They believe that they could get a company to chip the wood and not cost the Town any money and possibly even make a few dollars for the chips.

Discussion was held on who the wood belongs to once cut. There has always been the argument that the Town should give the wood to abutting land owners if they want it. Doug Foglio mentioned that Roger Elliott had given a legal opinion a couple years back that stated that if the Road was an easement then the wood belongs to the abutting land owner but if the road is a Town way the Town owns the wood.

Dennis stated that maybe the Town should concentrate on cutting brush alongside the roads that the Town currently maintain on a year-round basis before cutting brush on a road that is used on a seasonal basis. the Road Review Committee stated that the Road is used year-round. Dennis stated that the Town does not plow that section of road and if there was snow on the ground the road would not be passable.

The Road Review Committee agrees that there is alot of brush needed to be cut. Fred Fay said that he doesn't believe that the \$6,000.00 appropriated every year allows the Town to adequately maintain the brush cutting. The Selectmen mentioned that possibly this line item could be increased in the request for Town Meeting. The Selectmen authorized the Road Review Committee to contact possible logging operations to cut the brush on Middle Road and get back to the Selectmen with their findings. Voted 3-0.

Much discussion was then held on the Road projects presented at Town Meeting in the past that were rejected. Road Review Committee has been meeting to determine the projects to be presented at Town Meeting this year and they should have it narrowed down after their Wednesday night meeting.

7:00 p.m. - Mr. Albert Hutton

Mr. Hutton was in to discuss the condition of Ross Corner road and the accident that occurred on January 17, 1995. Mr. Hutton owns the old Presby place on the corner of Middle Road and Ross Corner road. Mr. Hutton's wife got stuck on the road on Tuesday evening and had to have a wrecker pull the car out of the mud. Mr. Hutton called Glenn three times before Glenn responded. He stated that when Glenn arrived on the Road, Glenn insulted him and swore at him. Glenn stated that he did not swear at him, he merely told him that the road was not in that bad a condition. Unfortunately, the Road is dirt and the January thaw created some mud pockets. This was compounded by the building of a house a few lots down from the Hutton and the large trucks rutted up the Road. Glenn stated that he put gravel in the mud pockets and posted that road until the ground freezes again. Mr. Hutton just wanted the Selectmen to know what happened. He has lived in Town over three years and he wants a little respect when asking for the road to at least be passable. He believes that Glenn was insulting. The Selectmen asked Glenn to be more cooperative when working with the public. The selectmen did state, however, that Glenn is an elected official and ultimately it is the people who hire him and not the Selectmen. Mr., Hutton thanked the Board for their time.

Dwayne Morin

Dwayne discussed the following issues with then Board:

- **Lenzes** - Back in 1991 the Lenzes bought a house from Bob MacAuliffe. When Mr. MacAuliffe was building the house, a boundary dispute with t Mr. Davis was started when MacAuliffe destroyed a rock wall separating the two lots. The boundary dispute is now settled between the Lenzes and the Davises and the Lenzes need to enter into a consent agreement. The Board had voted to enter into a consent agreement due to the boundary dispute. The selectmen voted to have the Lenzes in next meeting. Vote 3-0.
- **RWS** - Meeting this Thursday at 7:00 p.m. in Portland. Dwayne will be attending. A copy of the agenda is in the Board members individual file.

- **Budget** - Most budget requests have now been submitted with the exception of the following committees:
 - Conservation Commission
 - Road Review Committee
 - Old Home Day Committee
 - Water District (Hydrant Rental)

Requests are running at approximately last years levels. Budget sheets are in the Board members individual file.

Frank Allen

Frank stopped in to discuss Thursday's RWS meeting. Frank stated that the executive committee will be reviewing the workings of RWS on Wednesday and will have a recommendation for the whole board. He believes that the vote on Thursday will be a short term fix until RWS can figure out how bad the waste flow stream really is. He mentioned that RWS is buying garbage on the spot market. The selectmen stated that RWS should do everything in its power to get additional waste to prevent the municipal tipping fee from sky-rocketing. Frank will meet with the Board next week to discuss the results of Thursday's meeting and what some of the long-term ideas are.

No further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.



