

SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINIUTES
MARCH 26, 1996

Regular meeting of the Waterboro Board of Selectmen.

PRESENT: Robert C. Fay and Dennis G. Abbott.

Also present: Dale Witman, Frank Allen, Dianne Holden, Bob Gobeil.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

DICK BATEMAN: Came in to discuss Cable TV. Has been given a preliminary figure and also gave a copy of Freeports ascertainment survey for reference only since it pertains to Freeport. Sel. Abbott told Mr. Bateman that he is willing to use the franchise money to pay for the consultant fee. Board voted to have Mr. Bateman go ahead as presented. Mr. Bateman will keep the Board informed.

NEW BUSINESS:

GARY RHODES: Came in again to discuss the Thyngs Mills Road. Doug Foglio, Sr., Fred Fay and Dwayne Woodsome represented the Road Review Comm. Has meet with the Road Review Comm. and they agree that there is a problem. The Planning Board decided not the contractor's responsibility. Dwayne Woodsome stated that the survey shows that the town owns on the back side of the stone wall, the developer is willing to give the town whatever it needs to have the work done. Will not help the town with any expense, is in the town's right of way. Doug showed the Board the map to show how the road should be angled to avoid traffic problems. Survey did not pick up a ¼ acre lot that didn't know was in existence. The Review would like the trees cut and stone wall moved the road is very narrow and there is a safety problem with traffic. The Planning Board voted not to go along with any of the Road Review Committee recommendation. Developer has developed in town before, does cluster lots and not shoe string lots located on roads so that he don't have to put in a road. Doug stated that public hearings by the Planning Board and Road Review have been held and much discussion and there were concerns discussed. Doug would like the town to have a 50 foot easement between stone walls. It is now 34 feet between the walls on the corner. Fred added that there is only one mile of road with only one way in and out. Dwayne questions where the money will come from if work will be done. Sel. Abbott told him like any other project, through town meeting. Asked if Planning Board can put on impact fees. Doug feels that they can for safety. Sel. Abbott stated that there is nothing in zoning that legally makes people do things to get plan approved. Sel. Fay asked if the Planning Board can make a road be put in like for common drives. Doug stated dealing with safety issues pertaining to lots. Sel. Fay added right or wrong the Planning Board made a decision. Doug added that the Planning Board has the right to have a traffic engineer and a study done. The Road Rev. Comm. requested a 50 foot easement the length of the road and also the stone walls removed. Would like the walls removed before lots are sold.

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Sel. Abbott feels that the Road Review Comm. and the Planning Board should sit down and the committee present their ideas. Sel. Fay would like Dianne also be present. Dianne added that the developer does not want to do work on town land. Sel. Abbott stated need to prove if it is town property or not. There is a survey that has a certified surveyor seal the it is town property. Doug stated that some surveyors go with the state law of 50 foot when the road may be only 2 rod, 33 feet. Dwayne reported that the cost of removal of trees will cost about \$3,00.00. Doug added that the Planning Board did not listen to the Road Review or the property owners concerns. Gary stated that he was told that it was not a Planning Board problem. The Planning Board and Road Review Committee will meet on Thurs. at 7:45.

FRED FAY: Fred asked if could crush pavement even though the money will not be available now. Board voted no money for crushing of pavement until July 1st or will need a Special Town Meeting.

PARKS & RECREATION: Bob Gobeil, Andrea LeFevbre, Greg Nickerson and Greg Mehlhorn. Bob spoke with the Sheriff's Dept. and there will be inmates doing work on April 1, 2 & 3 and he needs Selectmen's approval. Will be raking sand off the lawns and putting the tables out. There will be no liability to the town and will be supervised by the Sheriff Dept. Board voted to go with the inmates doing work. The two attendants at route 5 would like to come back again. This year gave them a different job description to include keeping the area clean. Will pay \$6.00 an hour with a \$500.00 bonus at the end of the year. Sel. Fay does not like the idea of giving a bonus but agrees with hiring the same two attendants this year. Bob G. explained that it is for 16-20 weeks at \$6.50 per hour with \$.50 for bonus an hour. Sel. Abbott told them that it needs to be advertised as a seasonal job with up to 40 hours a week weather permitting. Sel. Fay asked why a bonus. Andrea should get it for wear and tear on the vehicle. Bob G. added if paid mileage, it would cost more. Sel. Fay asked why are we using the maintenance person vehicle when could have a hauler. Bob G. responded that four years ago it cost \$1,200.00 a year to pick up the trash. Sel. Abbott would rather there be no bonus and pay mileage. Bob G. added that the ad states that they need to use their own vehicle. Sel. Fay asked about insurance, need to be sure it is on the vehicle. Sel. Fay stated again that he does not like giving a bonus if someone quits just hire someone else. Andrea explained that the bonus was in place in lieu of a raise. Sel. Fay asked if it would be smarter to hire a kid in the areas where there are cemeteries to mow and take care of them instead of hauling the trailer and mower around. Sel. Abbott stated that need to advertise but need to know obligation of someone has an accident on insurance. Sel. Fay asked why are we mowing the Taylor House once a week, can't it go for two weeks. Sel. Abbott told them to advertise the will discuss mileage or lump sum for use of vehicle. Bob G. stated that they are going to fertilize once a year instead of twice a year.

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Sel. Fay asked if they have received complaints on paying \$20. Per child or \$50. A family for summer ball. Greg Mehlhorn reported that they have not received any complaints but if a family has a financial situation and they couldn't afford it, that that would not stop a child from not playing would waive the fee. There are 300 kids in the league. Andrea told the Board that Babe Ruth does not know where the uniforms are. Sel. Abbott told them that one set of uniforms were turned into the town office and are among the missing. Greg M & Greg N both stated that the uniforms are down stairs. Looking for the other set.

Parks & Rec. asked the Board if they would sent a letter requesting the uniforms from Mike Vogel. He lives in Old Orchard Beach. The check book has been closed and the bank records show there were only two people authorized to sign the checks, Dennis Abbott and Dianne Holden. Board will sent a letter requesting the uniforms and equipment. Asked how the Board want to handle hiring a part time director, Sel. Abbott suggested looking at all the applications and then narrow the field down to two.

CHAUNCEY GERRY: Reported of another case of rabies at the Worster residence in Lake Arrowhead, would like to get together with the warden. Mr. Worster is taking the rabies shot. Dog has had all his shots. State requires 45 day confinement with shots and 6 months without shots. Would like to know what the wardens will do and what ACO does. Chauncey also has a cell phone in his car and asked if the town would pay for him to use it. Board asked Dianne to call Star Cellular on getting the phone activated. Also asked if the Board wants him to patrol to check on houses when people are not home. Sel. Fay doesn't feel he should do it full time. Chauncey stated that he will do it while he is on another call. Board also will but him disposable gloves for Chauncey.

STAFF MEETING: Sel. Abbott informed everyone that in preliminary plans, Dianne would resign from Town Clerk/Tax Collector and then the Board sit down with pro tem officials to be appointed until July 1st. Margaret would have to be appointed for motor vehicle agent. Need to go with arrangements. One concern is bringing the Selectmen's Assistant into the Selectmen's office to be more reachable to the public. Bob Konczal and assessing would move upstairs and potentially hire a Selectmen's Secretary and will deal with what that person does. Sharon now works four days a week and would be asked if interested in working five days. Bertha asked about the stage. Dianne added if Bob K. went upstairs and if Board went out on the stage for their meetings and keep their files in the office so they could be locked. The Selectmen's office big enough for three people, Town Clerk, Sel. Assist. And Sel. Secretary. Sel. Fay stated everything is premature but Town Clerk will not be in the Selectmen's Office. Sel. Abbott made the motion and Sel. Fay seconded, the assessor agent and assessing files will move upstairs and the Selectmen's Assistant will be in the Selectmen's Office. Voted, passed. Sel. Abbott does question what does it do to public access.

Tim asked about weight loads on the floors. Sel. Abbott told him would need to be sure on a load bearing wall, upstairs can't be used for a meeting place then would have to use the town hall. Sel. Fay asked about portable walls. Sel. Abbott added not looking for a new municipal building, feels putting in an elevator and sprinkler system down cellar could get by for another 10 years. Tim suggested having Dennis Pratt from Alpha One come out and do a study on what changes can be done to be in compliance with ADA. His cost is \$35.00 an hour. Sel. Fay suggested to use the money raised last year for renovations now and after July 1st use the \$20,000.00 raised at March Town Meeting. Tim questions why do changes now, wait until the report comes in. Sel. Fay asked Dianne if she is planning to resign. Dianne added that when she was hired the starting date was April 1st which is next Monday has been three weeks and nothing has been done. Sel. Fay didn't realize April 1st was next week, and nothing was carved into stone. Sel. Abbott though Sel. Monteith would be back for this meeting. Sharon told the Board that there have been a lot of rumors out there and no one in the building has been told anything. Dianne announced her job herself, heard Assessing is moving upstairs and she will become his secretary. Need better communication. Everyone agreed, need better communication. Will meet back next week with ideas on changes in the building.

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DIANNE HOLDEN: Dianne reported that the furnace has been fixed. She has received a call from Wes Leighton and he has five dealer plates and would like to pay a business fee rather than produce a laminated sticker. Would rather not deal with the sticker. Board voted that he would have to purchase a laminated sticker for each vehicle. Also when the power went out last week the emergency lights did not come on. Electrician Dick Turgeon looked at the lights and the battery packs are gone and he will be getting a price for the new batteries. Also the telephone company will be giving a price for power packs for the telephone system so the system works when there is no power. Have checked and the panic buttons do work when there is no electricity. Sel. Abbott also has concerns over the power pack for the computer, questions how long does it last. Discussed 911, need to get involved in it. Dianne attended the transportation committee meeting and they would like the Selectmen to attend the April 3rd meeting. Dianne gave the Board a notice on Elected Officials workshop on May 2nd at Leedy's in Alfred. Received a letter from RTG would like to request an abatement on the interest calculated towards the 1995 taxes. Have paid the 1994 foreclosure notice on Friday. It is a town meeting vote to collect the interest. Board voted not to abate the interest, interest will accrue. Discussed the fire dept. proposal on doing a survey. Sel. Fay asked who is going to pay for it. The Fire Dept. feels that the town should pay for it. Sel. Abbott stated that there is no money available and would need Special Town Meeting. Dianne asked if the town would pay for her life insurance, will not be taking the health insurance. Board voted to pay for her life insurance which is approximately \$75.00 a year.

Have had a problem with kids in the parking lot. Asked if it can only be used after office hours. Sel. Abbott asked how can we control it, will need to see if there will be a problem first. Lea Line Painting would like to do the crosswalks earlier this year. Sel. Abbott feels the request should come from the Road Commissioner and will need to know what road account to pay the bill from. Dianne showed the Board pictures of the chain link fences damaged by snow removal. Suggested getting an estimate on getting them fixed.

SIGNED:

Board signed the warrant for payment of bills and payroll.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion for adjournment was made at 9:20 p.m.

approved: _____
