

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
March 23, 1999

Attending: Willis Lord, Brenda Charland, Dale Witman, Patti Berry, Brenda Huntress, Dena Worster, Scott Hamilton, Peter Brewitt, Millard Genthner, Jim Goulding, Mark Sanders, Don Day, Jack & Ginny Hewes, Elias Smith, Steve Foglio, Bob Gobeil, Bertha McAloon, Jerry Daigle, Bob Fay, Fred Fay, Dave Benton Dwayne Woodsome, Dianne Holden. Also present were the nine Recycling Poster Contest Winners and their parents.

Dale Witman calls the meeting to order at 7 p.m. and opens with the announcement of this evening's feature presentation of ribbons to the winners of the Recycling Poster Contest. Dale introduces Scott Hamilton and Dena Worster of the Recycling Committee. Scott gives a brief overview of the activities and goals of the Recycling Committee. The following children received awards which were presented by Scott and Dena:

Honorable Mention

Chelsea Sanders	Jennifer Collupy
Emma Macey	Sarah Hussey
Kyle Gilson	David MacLean
Adam Jalbert	Tawni Turcotte

1st Place - Danielle Strandburg

Selectmen's Report: Dale states that there is not a lot to report due the aftermath of Town Meeting.

Selectmen's Assistant Report: Patti Berry reports that the transfer station can no longer accept the dumping of sheetrock and shingles except for small household amounts. RWS will not allow these materials in the hopper. The new silver bullet for cardboard is in place.

Patti reports that the Thomas Dube lawsuit against the Town regarding the lot on the Silas Brown road has been dismissed.

FrontierVision is selling their franchise to Adelpia Communications and the contracts between the two companies will be reviewed by attorneys to ensure nothing in the new company's agreement is different than our present contract. Our current contract states that attorney fees will be paid by the cable company in situations such as this.

Patti reports she has begun advertising for a replacement for the Motor Vehicle Agent who will be retiring in June.

Tax Assessor: Gerald Daigle reports that tomorrow he will be mailing 135 personal property forms for businesses. Jerry states that this brings in \$2M valuation to the town. Regarding the homestead exemption, those who filed last year need not file again. New applicants must file by 4/30.

Town Clerk: Report attached.

Motor Vehicle: Report attached.

Treasurer: Dianne was present and gave the highlights of her report which is attached.

Tax Collector: Bertha reports that the last half of '99 payments are picking up. She is sending reminder postcards that taxes are due 5/13. Bertha reports that she and Dianne attended a tax lien workshop.

Code Enforcement Office: Steve Foglio reports the following activity from 2/23 to date:

- 8 old inspections
- 5 subsurface inspections
- 10 interior plans

Year-to-date the Code Enforcement Office has issued 23 building permits with approximately half of this amount for new construction.

Planning Board: Dwayne Woodsome reports that the Planning Board will be reviewing plans for two proposed storage facilities, a six lot subdivision on Deering Ridge Rd., and a six lot subdivision on the corner of Webber and Town House Rd. Bob Fay questioned how many new houses can be expected between the subdivisions approved and pending, and Dwayne stated the number could be in the area of 150-200.

Dwayne reports that the proposed gravel pit ordinance is being reviewed and an appointment has been made with The Pits group for further discussion. Dwayne states that the proposed ordinance needs a lot more work and will result in costs in attorney's fees.

Old Home Days: Bob Gobiell reports that the committee is working hard with little help and is badly in need of new recruits.

RWS: Millard reports that RWS has been inactive and states there is a meeting scheduled for Thursday, 3/25. Their lawsuit with CMP is still pending.

SAD 57 Directors: Millard reports that the 1999-2000 proposed budget will be presented to the School Board next Wednesday, 3/31. This budget represents an of \$773,437 or 4.115% for a total of \$19,574,820 for the district. Millard presented Selectmen with the SAD 57 Budget notebook with a detailed breakdown and information on how each town will be affected. There was discussion in regard to possible additional monies coming from the State later in the budget season which would lower the monies needed to be raised by each town.

Jerry Daigle states that this could increase our taxes by \$1.25/thousand and that new valuations will not offset this.

Brenda Charland states that 55% was the promise by the state and this should be honored. Brenda asks everyone to call Mike McAlevey, our state representative. Brenda also notes at this time that Diane Herrle is now on the SAD 57 Board.

Road Commissioner: Fred reports that things are quite at this time. There is still a good supply of sand and salt on hand.

Road Review Committee: David Benton reports that the committee had a meeting Saturday and is working on the Denby pond problem and a problem on the Knights Road. The committee continues work on a 5-year plan.

Recycling Committee: Scott Hamilton reports that their next endeavor is to get organized to recoup some of the recyclables from the upcoming Old Home Days. They are trying to get some receptacles made up to place in strategic areas to maximize the effort, and local scout troops will be policing the situation and keeping the profits. Dena states that the committee will make themselves available to any organizations or groups for recycling presentations.

Fire and Rescue Department: Fire Chief Elias Smith reports that he will begin working with Patti to fill out paperwork for Maine Forestry for damages from ice storm '98 for equipment. He would like to place an ad in the Smart Shopper next week to hire some semi-retired people for fire police and to request people to join fire and rescue. Maine Forestry reports that due to the damage from ice storm '98 this should be a high year for forest fires.

Lake Arrowhead Community: Peter Brewitt reports that the Lake Arrowhead FY ends April 30. They will be billing 1,530 accounts this year which is up 50 from last. They continue work on the roads. Peter states that he left a letter with the Selectmen to be circulated to the various board with information regarding an increase in new construction building fees, internal zoning requirements, etc. Their next project is to go to work on the results of Town Meeting with the town owned lots. Peter thanks the Board for their cooperation and states his

appreciation for the good working relationship between the Town and Lake Arrowhead Community.

Historical Society: Don Day reports that the first meeting of the season is Thursday, April 1, which will feature a speaker from the Garden Club. They will be having their first flea market of the season on Memorial Day weekend at the Belville house. Tables can be rented for \$10 for the day. The great success of Walk Thru Waterboro History day was noted, and Ginny Hewes thanked the Selectmen for their help with this and reports that she has received suggestions that for another year they have this as a summer event so that summer people can attend.

Water District: David Benton reports that they had the bid opening for the extension of the 12" water main to the Hannaford property. Eight companies were invited and 5 came and participated. Bids ranged from a high of \$398,600 to a low of \$179,080. These bids are being reviewed at this time by the engineering firm and Hannaford. Completion date is September 1.

David reports here will be another bid opening on April 5th for a line expansion from the intersection of West Road & 202 to Massabesic High School property. David notes that the Hannaford bid was an invite bid with 4 companies from within town, and one of the low bidders was from Waterboro. This bid process is different in that it will go out to the public for open bid. David states that Hannaford is footing the entire bill for the water line.

Finance Committee: Dale conveys to Jon Gale an expression of gratitude from the Board for a job well done on the budget process.

General Discussion: Millard questions when dump renovations will begin. Willis states that this will begin after July 1st when the money becomes available. Millard requested that he be a part of the process for planning and input on renovation plans. Dale states that Millard will be included and Fred and the Recycling Committee will be participating as well.

The Council meeting **Adjourns** at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Brenda Huntress

TOWN CLERK REPORT

Draft minutes of Town Meeting are completed.

Working entering Vital Statistics information in the computer. All birth, death and marriage certificates will be computerized.

Moose applications are available. Deadline is April 1st.

According to Fish and Game, the open water fishing regulations are "in the mail".

The late fee for dog licenses is \$3.00 each dog. As of April 1st the fee will be \$10.00 each dog. So far there are approx. 502 dogs licensed in Waterboro.

Spring is here. Starting to register more boats, ATVs. Selling Fishing Licenses, Hunting Licenses etc

There were 24 new voters that registered at Town Meeting. The total registered voters in Waterboro is 3,643.

Nancy Brant

Motor Vehicle Agent Report
2/19-3/19/1999

The following is a list of vehicles registered through this office during the past month.

New Registrations	78
re-registrations	237
Commercial	21
Trailers	113
Tractors	19
Farm	1
Motorcycles	4
Special equipment	2
Title Applications	33
Replacement plates	4
Transfers	48
Sales Tax	38

Excise Tax in the amount of \$52,638.95 was collected.

Respectfully submitted
Margaret Beavis, MV Agent.

Town of Waterboro, Maine

TREASURER'S REPORT

as of March 23, 1999

Key Bank Checking Account:	\$	28,458.07
Victory Federal Money Market Acct:		<u>767,184.30</u>
Total, as of Feb. 28, 1999		795,642.37
Deposits, March 1-19, 1999:		148,127.55
Checks Written, March 1-23, 1999:		<u>(373,517.65)</u>
Key Bank Account, as of March 23, 1999:	\$	570,252.27

Key Bank, Repurchase Agreement (see att) as of Jan. 5, 1999:	\$	284,079.31
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Key Bank, Resuce Billing Account as of Feb. 28, 1999:	\$	72,373.50
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March Work Report, includes, but not limited to:

Town Meeting

Discharge of paid Tax Liens.

Reconcile outstanding Tax Lien accounts: (outstanding as of 2/28/99: \$197,397.53)

Monthly processing of approximately 300 invoices and time sheets.

Prepare monthly reports and distribute to Department Heads.

Provide assistance to Town Clerk and Tax Collector as needed.

Attended MMA Tax Lien Procedure Workshop.