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TOWN OF DURHAM

Connecticut 06422



BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MTG. January 5, 1978

The meeting was called to order at 8:02 P.M. by First Selectman, Gregory G. Curtis. Betty C. Wakeman and Lewis G. Hinman were also present.

In reference to Connecticut State Statute Section 7-342, Mr. Hinman moved the appointment of M. Foster Mather as Chairman of the Board of Finance. Vote: Hinman: yes; Wakeman: no; Curtis: no. Motion defeated. Mrs. Wakeman moved the appointment of Carl N. Otte as Chairman of the Board of Finance. Vote: Curtis: yes; Wakeman: yes; Hinman: no. Motion carried.

Mrs. Wakeman moved the appointment of Elmer Clark as Vice-Chairman of the Board of Finance. Vote: Curtis: yes; Wakeman: yes; Hinman: no. Motion carried.

On a motion by Mr. Curtis, Janet Moore was appointed Assistant Treasurer for a two-year term. 3-0

The following persons were appointed to the Conservation Commission on a motion by Mr. Curtis: One-year terms to 1980: 1979 Mary S. Wilkinson and Robert White; Two-year terms to 1981: 1980 Richard Ackerman and F. E. Behrens, Sr.; Three-year terms to 1982: Dorothy Willett and John T. DeNunzio. 3-0
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Mrs. Wakeman moved the appointment of Richard C. Parmelee, Sr. to a two-year term on the Economic Development Commission. 3-0 Two vacancies yet remain on the commission but action was tabled. 3-0

On a motion by Mrs. Wakeman, Bruce Rau was appointed to a two-year term as Dog Warden; Carmella Rau and Pamela Pruitt to two-year terms as Assistant Dog Wardens. 3-0 This reappointment was necessitated by changes in the revised charter.

On a motion by Mr. Hinman, Lois Schilling and Sandra Poliner were appointed to the Library Needs Study Committee. 3-0 The question was raised whether or not the committee has the authority to expend, on their own, funds received from gifts, etc.

Action relative to CMS/Blue Cross benefits for library

personnel was tabled until union negotiations are settled. 3-0

The Board voted to cancel their meeting of Jan. 12, 1978. 3-0

The Board, on a motion by Mr. Hinman, voted to rent property from D. Arrigoni on Cream Pot Road for sand/salt storage for 4 months at \$150 a month. The land previously rented from W. Leining has proven to be far too wet. 3-0

The board also discussed rental of a garage building from D. Arrigoni on Cream Pot Road. There is no heat, water, or septic system but a nearby stream could be utilized. Rental would be at a rate of \$600 per month or \$7,200 yearly. Purchase of the site was also discussed and the Arrigoni's are considering it. It was agreed among the board that the matter should be pursued. Mrs. Wakeman questioned who would make the needed improvements.

On a motion by Mrs. Wakeman, town employees will have a paid holiday on January 16 in honor of the late Martin Luther King, Jr. The motion further stated that this policy is in effect only for this year, pending final contract negotiations with CSEA, Inc. 3-0

Formation of a Town Calendar was agreed upon by all members of the board. Letters will be sent to all local groups notifying them of it. Virginia Hinman will be asked to make a sign for the above. 3-0

Three bids were received for exterminating mice in the town hall (see folder). EB Exterminators of Moodus was the low bidder: \$40.00 for the initial work and \$9.00 per month thereafter. Mr. Hinman moved to accept the bid and proceed with the work. 3-0

The Board voted to expend up to \$300 to equip the two bathrooms with hot water. Burt Parmelee will do the plumbing and George Planeta the wiring. Work will proceed after the following questions are answered: does HELCO still rent hot water heaters and what, clearly, is the relating fire code. If HELCO does yet rent the unit, that will be the way to proceed.

The Board voted to appoint F.E. Behrens, Jr. to the position of Deputy Fire Marshal. 3-0

On a motion by Wakeman, Noel K. Higgins was appointed Fuel Emergency Coordinator for the town of Durham. 3-0

The Board voted to include as a routine matter an item in a town meeting call to be used as a borrowing clause to meet tight budgetary matters during the year. 3-0

The meeting adjourned at 9:45 P.M.

Sincerely,

Donna D. White