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BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MTG.

March 2, 1978

The meeting was called to order at 8:03 P.M. by First Selectman, Gregory G. Curtis. Betty C. Wakeman and Lewis G. Hinman were present. Other townspeople present: R. Reilly, O. McLaughlin, W. Moore, R. C. Parmelee, Jr., P. Albert.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted as read on a motion by B. Wakeman, second by L. Hinman. 3-0

Mr. Curtis mentioned that several matters have yet to be worked out between the Ambulance Corps, Constables, and Roadside Department in using the old firehouse together.

Mr. Reilly, Road Foreman, reviewed for the board the following payloaders bids; of the eight local distributors who bid:

- 1) Wilhelm Davies bid was lowest but is on a 1975 machine and the tires show dry rot. He would anticipate early expenses;
- 2) Deephouse was the second lowest bid (\$30,847) on a Case W20B. Mr. Reilly reported that he had talked to Case owners in the Town of South Windsor and they were very happy with their machines;
- 3) Tyler Equipment (Michigan 45B); lesser potential in lifting power and overall effectiveness; there are blind spots for the driver. For equal bidding a Michigan 55B should have been offered;
- 4) Cress Tractor was the 4th lowest bid on a Fiat-Allis which was a smaller machine, physically and capability-wise. A 605 machine was offered which would have matched all specs but the offer was made too late.

Mr. Reilly advised that he had investigated the other bids but they were ruled out for various reasons. As a result of his investigations Mr. Reilly recommended the Case machine.

R. C. Parmelee, Jr. strongly objected to the selection and therefore, on a motion by L. Hinman, second by G. Curtis, Mr. Reilly and the Payloader Committee will further investigate the machines before the next Selectmen's meeting.

Contract I, an agreement between the Union and the Town of Durham, was read and discussed. P. Albert raised several questions. Mr. Curtis advised that the town attorney is looking for approval in substance of the proposal - then the contract can be drawn up. Action was tabled until the Board could meet with the Board of Finance later in the evening.

On a motion by L. Hinman, second by B. Wakeman, the Board voted the following resolution:

Be it resolved by the Durham Board of Selectmen of the Town of Durham that Frank Mancuso, Governor's Authorized Representative, is hereby authorized to execute for and on behalf of the Town of Durham a public entity established under the laws of the State of Connecticut a project application and to file it in the appropriate State office for the purpose of attaining certain Federal financial assistance under the Disaster Relief Act (Public Law 288, 93rd Congress), or otherwise available from the President's Disaster Relief Fund.

That the Town of Durham, a public entity established under the laws of the State of Connecticut hereby authorizes its agent to provide to the State and to the Federal Disaster Assistance Administration (FDAA), Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for all matters pertaining to such Federal disaster assistance the assurances and agreements (as set forth in signed contract.) 3-0

Mr. Curtis reported on 3 matters of criminal activity in town during the past week:

- 1) breakin and theft on Higganum Road;
- 2) Cherry Lane;
- 3) Vandalism at CRHS, Wed., March 1, between 9 P.M. and 7:15 A.M. Windows were broken by beer bottles.

After briefly discussing a proposed CETA 6 contract, the board recessed to attend the Board of Finance meeting to discuss Contract I, new additions to the town highway department, and the CETA 6 program. After resuming the Board of Selectmen's meeting, Mrs. Wakeman moved to support the concept of Contract I, second by G. Curtis and also a "yes" vote by L. Hinman, who wished to go on the record as vehemently opposed to the union in any way. Since the impact on the 77-78 budget is reasonable and he would rather avoid arbitration, he would approve the proposed contract. 3-0

The meeting adjourned at 10:27 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna D White

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Secretary to the Selectmen