

TOWN OF DURHAM

Office of the Selectmen · Connecticut 06422

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First Selectman

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Selectman

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Selectman

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

April 8, 1976

The meeting was called to order with the following members present:
Carl N. Otte, A. Reed Hayes, Joel N. Davis.

The Board of Selectmen passed a new procedure of meeting; the first order of business shall be to approve the minutes of the last meeting.

Vote 3-0

A. Reed Hayes proposed that a small typed or printed paper containing the "Board of Selectmen's Rules of Procedure" be formed.

Vote 3-0

The Board of Selectmen approved sending a letter written by the First Selectman to Mr. Edward Simpson, owner of the Fort Durham Steak House, rejecting the use of Durham Constables for crowd control at the Fort Durham Steak House.

Vote 3-0

John McDonald was appointed to the Highway Advisory Board by the Board of Selectmen.

Vote 3-0

The Board voted to pay the bills as presented for the week.

Vote 3-0

It was voted to request from the town attorney, A. Thomas White, Jr., an ordinance relating to the gathering of crowds, excluding town functions and school functions. A permit would be required and a fee charged, with a penalty involved. Also requested will be a town ordinance re: litter on town roads, property.

Vote 3-0

The Board of Selectmen appointed Mrs. Dzintra Infante to the Charter Revision Commission.

Vote 3-0

A general progress report was read by the First Selectman relative to remodeling the downstairs of the town hall. The following items were discussed: lowering the ceiling to 9', lights lowered, grid box for lights, accoustical tile, free standing walls (except for

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the Selectmen's Office), erection of a display area, same carpeting as in the new vault. Also Mr. Joseph Planeta, Fire Marshall will advise us relative to the utilization of the present men's toilet space under the stairs. The CETA Carpentry Foreman, John Daly, suggested the use of stained wood walls (with an old-wood effect) like at the Thayer Auditorium, but not slatted. Mr. Joel Davis suggested that the walls be insulated properly before the erection of the new walls. The other walls will be sheetrocked. New window casings will also be needed. The First Selectman suggested that children from the local schools could paint murals on the walls. The Selectmen must keep in mind the kind of materials they prefer, as the final decision on the remodeling will be up to the Board of Selectmen.

The drainage situation caused by the new vault was also discussed.

Mr. Hayes left the meeting.

The First Selectman reported on the latest road actions. A stream problem exists on Guire Road which needs looking into, and Linmar Drive needs work. The sharp corner on Stagecoach Rd. is eventually going to need to be straightened. In the meantime, the town will negotiate with Mr. Wilbur Eick to dump fill on his land.

The tree crew is now being assigned to other tasks, i.e., fixing up the softball field, cleaning the Green, etc.

The Selectmen's Office will send 4 crews out during heavy rains to open drains.

Carl Otte and Robert Reilly will be conducting a survey of the areas needing a scraper and areas where we can deposit the fill. It was agreed to request from Charles Wimler a firm price for the rental of a scraper and loader for 9-10 days work near May 1.

Vote 2-0

The First Selectman reported that he will be meeting on April 13, 1976, with representatives from the Labor Department re: Manpower Training Act.

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The request from the CAGM for our participation in the SPEDY Program was tabled again.

Vote 2-0

Next week's meeting of the Board of Selectmen will be held on Wednesday, April 14, 1976.

The meeting adjourned at 10:08 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

D. White
Donna White
Selectmen's Secretary

