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TOWN OF DURHAM

Office of the Selectmen · Connecticut 06422

Carl N. Otte
First Selectman

Betty Wakeman
Selectwoman

Joel N. Davis
Selectman

BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING

May 26, 1977

The meeting was called to order at 8:05 P.M. by First Selectman Carl N. Otte. Other Selectmen present were Betty C. Wakeman and Joel N. Davis.

The Board met with the Charter Revision Commission to further discuss the Selectmen's recommendations.

The Board of Selectmen formally recommended a general statement relative to executive sessions.

Section 2-6 (2 & 3): trying to show 2 methods of election. Recommended deleting the word "appointment" from item 3.

Section 3-5.2: the use of the word "refers" was questioned. Will ask Tom White, suggest substitute word "submits."

The Town Engineer and Assessor will be added to the list of Selectmen's appointees.

Suggestion: Treasurer assume duties of Agent of the Town Deposit.

The Board of Selectmen then met with the constables (Pearce, Wimler, Tiedemann, D'Acri, Banack, Vance) and Dr. Mather, Chairman, Insurance Committee, to discuss the constables request to be covered by insurance for erroneous service of civil papers, assault and battery during arrest and omissions of duty. After much discussion of constable duties and review of general statutes, Mr. Otte asked if the men were going to work during the Memorial Day Parade. Mr. Banack responded "not unless we get the insurance." Mr. Vance and Mr. D'Acri agreed. Mr. Tiedemann is marching, Mr. Wimler will be on duty as Fire Police, and Mr. Pearce will work the parade.

The Board voted to pay all weekly bills except a request from Town Counsel which would be over that appropriation (pending Bd. of Finance approval.) Vote 3-0

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved. Vote 3-0

The Board approved the use of the Green by the following:

June 25 - Coginchauk Breakers

July 9 - Democratic Women's Club

Aug. 6/7 (rain date 13/14) Notre Dame

Vote 3-0

The Board appointed Mr. Edward Hinman to the Economic Devel-

opment Commission to serve the unexpired term of R. Parmelee. Vote 3-0

Action relative to the Firehouse Building Committee was tabled. Vote 3-0

The upcoming Special Town Meeting was discussed. Mr. Davis questioned whether a formal ordinance relative to solar energy has been prepared for presentation at the meeting. Mr. Otte responded that Mr. White is preparing it.

Action to appoint a Library Needs Study Committee was tabled. Vote 3-0

The Memorial Day parade will begin at 9:30 A.M., May 30, 1977.

Dr. Mather and the Board discussed the constables' request for insurance. Dr. Mather asked what the town would be willing to pay if he could arrange an acceptable premium. Mr. Otte, after reviewing the constables' appropriation, recommended a figure of \$600 (more or less). It was voted to proceed to insure the men as requested. Vote 3-0.

The appointment of a committee to update the civil preparedness plan was tabled. Vote 3-0

The bids for the payloader were opened: Midstate: \$16,000; Cookes': \$14,800; Dynahoe: \$29,784. The Board voted to refer the matter to a small committee of local contractors (likely Rick Parmelee, R. Vynalek, and Charles Wimler) who would then review the bids so that the Board of Selectmen could approach the Board of Finance with a proposal. A report should be available for the next Selectmen's meeting. Vote 3-0

Voted: Not to proceed with the remodeling of the town hall at this time because of lack of funds available for that purpose. Some arrangements will be made to begin use of the new vault. If additional funds are available in the 1978-1979 fiscal year the work could go to contract. Vote 3-0

Respectfully submitted,

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Donna D. White
Secretary to the Selectmen