

TOWN OF DURHAM

Connecticut 06422



BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING

May 28, 1981

PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing to discuss proposed changes to the town charter was called to order at 7:36 P.M. by the First Selectman M. Foster Mather. Discussion by R. W. Moeller followed re ZBA members elected in 1979 to serve a 6 year term which now will expire in 4 years instead of 6. The First Selectman will talk to Attorney Robert Poliner about the legality of it. R. W. Moeller also questioned the logic in a system that would have ZBA and PZC members on the ballot and not Board of Education members. The First Selectman explained this was due to Regional District #13 not approving a ballot method of electing in the town of Middlefield.

The hearing adjourned at 8:03 P.M.

REGULAR MEETING

The Board of Selectmen's meeting was called to order at 8:03 P.M. by First Selectman M. Foster Mather; Maryann P. Boord was present; Gregory G. Curtis, absent. Townspeople present: M. Clark, R. W. Moeller, L. Wimler, W. Moore.

Re minutes of previous meeting of May 7, 1981: M. Boord wanted to note that her comments at the top of pg. 2 re road race are just suggestions. Motion to approve minutes by M. Boord, seconded by F. Mather; passed.

Lawrence Wimler resigned as constable citing the lack of power and authority of constables when on duty.

Weekly disbursements were so noted. Rental of the United Churches property used as a driveway and parking lot for the library was discussed and R. W. Moeller was able to clarify the rental agreement and amount of land involved.

The First Selectman noted that the town and union mediator is Peter Horn and an upcoming mediation meeting has been set for June 15, 1981.

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Excuses for inability to attend the recent constable municipal training course were reviewed. M. Boord stated the Board of Selectmen should have a meeting with the constables to have them explain why they haven't been available and also to set guidelines. Discussion. Motion by M. Boord to request the constables to come to the Board of Selectmen's meeting on June 4, 1981, and in the notification of the joint meeting stress they all are to attend and the topic will be commitment and taking responsibility for the job which they have accepted. Procedures that will be enforced if they will not fulfill their commitments will be clearly outlined; seconded by F. Mather; passed.

Motion by F. Mather to appoint George Paganetti to the Economic Development Commission to fill a term vacated by James McLaughlin which expires on December 31, 1982; seconded by M. Boord; passed.

Motion by F. Mather to appoint George Zeeb, Henry Robinson, Leo Willett, and David Bascom to a Town Engineer Study Committee; an advisory committee to advise the Board of Selectmen in the Board's selection of a new Town Engineer; seconded by M. Boord; passed.

Motion by F. Mather that the Water Pollution Control Authority empower the First Selectman with the authority to expend funds to install a well seal (by Paganetti Well Drilling and Parmelee Plumbing) on the Burkhart well; seconded by M. Boord; passed.

F. Mather explained that on his March-April mileage reimbursement request he had deducted \$27.00 for purchase of boots for the First Selectman and \$25.00 for purchase of a 30" old cement tile. The board found no problem with the transaction.

The excellence of Bruce Tubby's term paper re landfill management was noted by the Board. The First Selectman suggested meeting with Robert Bascom to discuss the study.

M. Boord reported that the Special Olympics she attended as the Board's representative was very special.

The area of a recent automobile accident on Maiden Lane and possible site alterations were discussed.

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna D. White
Secretary

