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Carl N. Otte
First SelectmanA. Reed Hayes
SelectmanJoel N. Davis
SelectmanMINUTES OF MEETING OF BOARD OF SELECTMENJune 3, 1976

The meeting was called to order at 8:05 P.M. with Carl N. Otte and Joel N. Davis present.

There were two corrections to the minutes of the Board of Selectmen's Meeting of May 27, 1976:

1. Joel N. Davis requested that his comments during the Meeting of May 27, 1976, appear in the minutes re his interpretation of town counsel's opinion relating to the filling of vacancies as it applies also to the Planning and Zoning Commission appointment of Edwin Higgins. Mr. Davis questions both the legality of the appointment and the legality of any decisions of P & Z since Mr. Higgin's appointment.
2. Mr. Otte corrected his previous statement re the \$27.00 per hour rental fee of 2 pieces of equipment for roadside improvements. Figure should read \$30.00.

The minutes of the May 27, 1976, Meeting of the Board of Selectmen were approved as corrected.

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The Board voted to pay the bills for the week.

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It was noted that there will be a town meeting called in the future for amendments to ordinances and application to the state for recreational development.

Mrs. St. Pierre has reported to the First Selectman that the small Memorial Day flags on the Old Cemetery graves were vandalized and she seeks permission from the Board of Selectmen to erect 1 large flag pole in the Old Cemetery. After the discussion, Carl N. Otte made the motion to give permission to the Laurelite Homemakers for the erection of a flag pole in the Old Cemetery. Joel N. Davis voted yes.

Vote 2-0

During the recent installation of gutters on the town hall, it was noted that there were openings in the town hall roof. A local contractor, who is knowledgeable in the field of slate roofing was asked about the cost of replacing the roof. He replied that it was likely that only a few new slate pieces would be needed. He will be down to look it over.

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The Board of Selectmen will "view a fence" on Saturday, June 12, 1976. The parties involved will be notified.

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In the Selectmen's Minutes of September 25, 1975, the Board had authorized no parking signs on several town streets. The question arose whether to amend and clarify the statement to include all year no parking or leave it as understood, only for the Fair. Mr. Davis made the motion to take no action; interpretation was only for the Fair.

Vote 2-0

A local State Policeman has approached Carl Otte with a request for a curfew on White's Farm. Carl Otte will check with the State Police in Westbrook before any action is taken, but the Board felt that a curfew is not needed.

Mr. Mal Pearce reported that 2 concrete forms purchased by the Julia C. Bryant Fund repeatedly end up in the brook at White's Farm; he requested they be placed on the green near the tree planted by Miss Bryant. The Board so voted.

Vote 2-0

A discussion was held regarding our needs for the Bicentennial Parade. Specifically discussed were the needed road detour signs. The First Selectman will investigate the possibility of using summer help to prepare the signs.

The Board of Selectmen voted to remove a fence bordering Parmelee Brook (on Coe Road, Route 17 side) as soon as the area can have fill put in.

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Civil Preparedness Director, Mr. Mal Pearce, reported money received from the State reimbursing for certain SNET and HELCO charges. The 1975 request for refund will be submitted very soon. Mr. Robert Francis will pick up a truck the town has received outside of Connecticut. Mr. Pearce requests a change in the tone sound used as a fire alarm. The tone we now hear is actually the Civil Defense Alarm. The Board of Selectmen will take the request under advisement.

Vote 2-0

After discussing the cash flow situation with the Board of Finance, the Board voted to call a Special Town Meeting on June 15, 1976, to authorize transfers of General Revenue Sharing Funds to deficit accounts and authorize short term borrowing to correct a cash flow problem.

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The meeting adjourned at 10:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

D. White