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TOWN OF DURHAM



Office of the First Selectman

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BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING

June 3, 1982

The Board of Selectmen's Meeting of June 3, 1982, was called to order at 7:35 P.M. by First Selectman M. Foster Mather. Present: Maryann P. Boord; Gregory G. Curtis joined the meeting at 7:42 P.M.

Motion by M. Boord to approve the minutes of the May 6, 1982, meeting; seconded by F. Mather; 2 ayes.

The First Selectman noted that according to figures supplied by the state, the unemployment rate in Durham is 6.2%.

There were no questions re weekly disbursements.

A thank you note was read from Eugene Devaux for his recent acknowledgement at a town meeting.

A letter from George Zeeb, Democratic Town Committee Chairman, re appointments was so noted.

The First Selectman read Richard Atkinson's resignation from the Zoning Board of Appeals.

The appointment of an alternate to the Planning and Zoning Commission was momentarily tabled.

F. Mather moved the appointment of Thomas Worthley, an alternate on the Zoning Board of Appeals, to a regular membership on the Zoning Board of Appeals, to fill Mr. Atkinson's vacancy.

The Board tabled action on filling an alternate position on the Zoning Board of Appeals.

G. Curtis joined the meeting.

Motion by F. Mather to appoint Francis Platt to fill an alternate position on the Planning and Zoning Commission; G. Curtis moved to appoint Marlene Clark to the position. Vote:

Francis Platt 2 ayes (Mather, Boord)

Marlene Clark 1 aye (Curtis)

Francis Platt was appointed alternate to the Planning and Zoning Commission to fill the vacancy of Lynda Herrmann.

The Board discussed in a general manner, the feasibility of digging a well at the Town Hall. Dean Thomasson has prepared some preliminary work. G. Curtis said he is very much in favor

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of drilling a well at Town Hall. F. Mather noted that well drillers in this area have had to dig deeply to reach water. G. Curtis asked why not connect to the Fair Ass'n. well; F. Mather advised: 1) no reliable source; 2) for cleanliness. F. Mather also noted a low yield well could satisfy needs at Town Hall.

Robert Amentea of Design Development Corp., engineer for Carry Lowe, discussed Mr. Lowe's proposed 6 lot subdivision per town ordinance which gives the Board of Selectmen authority to review proposed road plans. The subdivision is located approximately $\frac{1}{2}$ mile west of Pent Road as it connects Tri-Mountain Road. F. Mather advised Mr. Amentea that the road as now proposed (26') closes the option of ever making it a collector road to connect to David Road (30' needed for collector road.) He suggested making $\frac{1}{2}$ the horseshoe road be 26' and the other side at 30' to keep the option open. Mr. Amentea agreed it could be done. Dean Thomasson remarked that the subdivision was before the PZC last night and has his approval. There is an apparent overlap in Board of Selectman/PZC function as relates to subdivisions: The Board of Selectmen accepts roads - the PZC looks at the rest of it, i.e., lot size, septic, etc., and some road criteria.

Mr. Amentea raised another question: subdivision regulations say survey must be tied to grid system; road ordinance states it should be tied into the geodetic road system -- the systems are not one and the same and he urged the town conform to one system by having the state update the values and establish a uniform grid system. F. Mather observed that reliable surveyors have been able to correctly tie in with the present town monuments - that a given point will remain constant and observable. C. Curtis stated that it's the first time he's ever seen a road proposal come before the Board of Selectmen. D. Thomasson read pertinent ordinances.

F. Mather advised the board that the state troopers may be using Durham's Constables Office due to a fire at the weighing station in Middletown. D. Goldner will let us know if plans are confirmed.

G. Curtis reported a mailbox has been down on Tuttle Road since last fall. F. Mather explained that 2 of the mailboxes that were taken down during construction were not noted at the time but after the area is patched, the mailboxes will be put up.

M. Boord asked if F. Mather had met with Little League representatives and Billy Stannard. He replied that he and Greg had and that Mr. Stannard will be doing more work at the ballfield.

F. Mather reported that a check is being issued from the Mary Weber Funds to purchase a van for the Dog Warden in the

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amount of \$3,400.00.

Motion by F. Mather to go into Executive Session at 8:47 P.M. for the purpose of discussing strategy regarding pending claims and litigation; seconded by M. Boord; 3 ayes. D. White present. No votes taken. Executive Session and meeting adjourned at 8:53 P.M.; 3 ayes.

Respectfully submitted,

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Donna White
Secretary to the
First Selectman

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