

TOWN OF DURHAM

Connecticut 06422



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BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING

July 6, 1978

The meeting was called to order at 8:15 P.M. by First Selectman, Gregory G. Curtis. Betty C. Wakeman and Lewis G. Hinman, Jr. were present. Others present: William A. Moore and Donna White.

The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as written; motion by B. Wakeman, second by L. Hinman. 3-0

Mr. Curtis read for the board a letter from the PZC dated 6/27/78 relative to the PZC's consensus that issues relating to the Permatreat odor/noise matter are the purview of the Durham Health Officer and not the PZC, who has voted to recommend to the Board of Selectmen that the health impact of odor arising from the Permatreat operations be investigated through the Durham Health Officer as soon as possible.

Mr. Curtis reported that Dr. Willett said that he doesn't have the budget, personnel, or skill to monitor the odors at Permatreat. He suggested relying on the DEP for this. Mr. Curtis added that he had contacted the DEP and found the Permatreat site to be on the DEP intensive surveillance list. The DEP has visited the site about 20 times during the past month but at no time has there been an odor outside the boundaries of the plant property. The surveillance will continue, however, and the Board of Selectmen will be kept informed.

Mrs. Wakeman stated that she has made herself available to the Kopecs, when the noise and odor problems arise, but, as yet, has not heard from them.

Mr. Hinman mentioned that he visits the site regularly and has set up a log to monitor the area. He has not yet detected an odor there. The Board members discussed the complaints of some townspeople that the Board of Selectmen are ignoring them on the Permatreat issue. On a motion by Mrs. Wakeman, the First Selectman will respond to the letter from the PZC. 3-0

Two areas relating to traffic control were discussed:

1) Speeding and stolen stop signs in the Higganum Road/Cherry Lane area;

2) Stop signs missing at Oak Terrace/Wilcox Drive.

The Board decided to get legal clarification: "What is the liability to the town when stop signs are removed?"

Mr. Curtis reported that the Public Safety Committee voted Ann Page as Chairwoman and they will be meeting the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month. On a motion by L. Hinman, second by B. Wakeman, Mr.

James Martinelli of Creamery Road, was appointed to the Committee. 3-0

On a motion by L. Hinman, second by B. Wakeman, Mr. Philip Albert was voted to replace Joseph Carney on the town's negotiating team. 3-0

The Board discussed the road foreman's and roadside foreman's request for installation of a timeclock at the town garage. Several rules and possible infractions relative to the matter were discussed. Mrs. Wakeman questioned if this would be a change in policy or working conditions as mentioned in Contract II. The membership of the Board will continue discussion of the matter at a later meeting. 3-0

On a motion by B. Wakeman, second by L. Hinman, the board approved the appropriation of \$22,377 to contract out to Tomasso, Inc. to complete the paving on Parmelee Hill Road. There is \$23,729 appropriated in the budget so the town will pay for the curbing. (An estimated \$2,400 over the \$22,377.) 3-0

The Board reviewed the proposed ordinance by the dog warden aimed at the control of guard dogs used in business establishments. On a suggestion by L. Hinman, the proposed ordinance will be reviewed by Town Counsel.

Mrs. Leslie Paoletti's resignation from the Middlesex Mental Health Counsel was reviewed and accepted with regret by the board. Persons interested in filling her vacancy will be sought.

On a motion by L. Hinman, second by B. Wakeman, the board went into Executive Session to discuss personnel salaries. 3-0 No votes taken.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 P.M.