

TOWN OF DURHAM

Connecticut 06422



BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MTG. MINUTES

August 3, 1978

Present: Gregory G. Curtis, Lewis G. Hinman, Betty C. Wakeman; William Moore, Ona McLaughlin.

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

Copy of American Brigade letters to each member.

Financial report was reviewed by the Board and accepted. 3-0

Several complaints about destruction of lawns and droppings from horses along Main Street. Horse owners will be requested via the press to control their horses or a town ordinance will be considered.

The spreading of chicken manure near Wheeler Hill Road was discussed. It was brought out that hundreds of tons of manure are produced annually by poultrymen. If dairy farms do not spread it on their corn, hay and pasture lands - its accumulation would create a real problem for the town.

Mr. Herzig has indicated that care is taken to spread early in the week to avoid the weekends; also, that they try to spread prior to a rain.

Mr. Hinman said that he would relate this discussion to those who complained.

Motion to bill the Grange for 1978 (Conn. Agricultural Fair Assoc.) Fair constables charge at \$1190 plus sales tax of \$41.65 instead of the regular \$1390.80 charge. Vote Mr. C: Yes; Mr. Hinman: Yes; Mrs. Wakeman: abstain.

Solid Waste Transfer Station - First Selectman attended meeting and gave report to the board. CRRA is coming to Middlefield Monday the 7th at Town Hall 10:00 A.M. requesting us to make a decision by next budget year. Alternatives: to go in with Middletown program; to attempt to find another location in Durham; delay 3-4 years and go in at higher rate; investigate use of state forest lands.

Guire Road: Loud partying and noise coming from high school area; two patrols sent out; will keep it under surveillance.

Motion to contact the State Traffic Commission to review the Hungry

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Junction traffic problem and make an improvement if possible.

L. Hinman reported the recent appearance of 25 mile limit signs on Main Street. Mr. Curtis will check.

Mr. Hinman presented the report from the Library Needs Study Committee - tabled for discussion at next meeting.

On Mr. Moore's request Betty Wakeman moved that Mr. Moore be given authorization to invest the town funds during the 1978-79 fiscal year in conformance with State Statutes. 3-0

Also recommended consideration of going to simple signature by the treasurer of checks. Mr. Curtis will discuss the idea with the auditors.

Question from O. McLaughlin about status of Marion Coe's complaint about noise from factory. Mr. Curtis said that Mr. Adams intends to move the fan - will contact him in 5 weeks.

Executive Session 9:18 P.M.

Gary Zdeb - promoted to B-3 effective July 24, 1978, as mechanic. 3-0

Herman Rodriguez - promoted to Equipment Operator B-3 effective July 24, 1978. 3-0

Victor Rodriguez - Funeral leave - because of brother's death in N.Y. and to take body to Puerto Rico.

Motion that because of the unusual tragic circumstances of his brother's death, and the necessary trip to Puerto Rico the Board of Selectmen grant Victor Rodriguez 5 additional days funeral leave with pay. 3-0

Beverly Ruggiero - pay adjustment tabled to next week. 3-0

Board voted that the request to grant additional vacation leave to the CETA employees affected by the termination of employment on March 31, 1978, be denied. 3-0

Board of Selectmen voted to continue the policy of requiring two signatures on all paychecks and that checks not be distributed until Fridays. 3-0