

TOWN OF DURHAM

Connecticut 06422



BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING

August 21, 1980

The August 21, 1980, meeting of the Board of Selectmen was called to order at 7:39 P.M. by First Selectman M. Foster Mather; other Board members present: Maryann P. Boord, Selectwoman; Gregory G. Curtis, Selectman. Townspeople present: Dr. Levy, Mrs. Marotta, Mr. Saleski, Jon Anderson, Ralph Moeller, William Moore, Carol Wray, Linda Dean, Ona McLaughlin.

G. Curtis moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting of August 7; seconded by M. Boord; 3 ayes.

F. Mather read a letter dated August 19, 1980, from the Soap Box Derby Committee. Discussion followed to establish specific guidelines for the upcoming Derby Day and for future events. Dr. Levy requested stringent traffic regulations to prevent interference with the veterinary Hospital. Motion by F. Mather that the Board of Selectmen accept the request to close Parmelee Hill Road on September 6, 1980, 7-5 p.m. for Derby Day as outlined in the letter of request plus to post "no parking" the west side of Indian Lane and to have traffic control persons placed in strategic places - especially Parmelee Hill Road/Route 17 to direct out-of-town traffic to alternate routes.

F. Mather moved to close Maple Ave. to all traffic for the duration of the Durham Fair (Sept. 26, 27, 28) as requested in the Fair Association letter of August 15, 1980, from a point at the entrance to the Fair Grounds to Route 17 with the exception of buses being used to transport fair goers, home owners and their visitors; seconded by M. Boord; 3 ayes.

The foreman's report was so noted.

F. Mather advised the Board of Selectmen that Town Counsel has notified him that members of the executive branch of government holding salaried positions can not hold town office in another capacity.

The "Directives for the Library Site and Building Committee"

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as prepared by the First Selectman was signed by the Board of Selectmen.

The First Selectman's proposed Public Safety Committee was discussed at length. The First Selectman stated it was not designed to be a critique committee but a long range planning and advisement committee.

The First Selectman stated that the City of Middletown has requested (via Town Counsel) that the Town of Durham join with them in a suit against Northeast Utilities re: PCB burning. The Town of Durham's expense would be in the filing of legal papers. G. Curtis moved to table the matter until the Board of Selectmen has more information; seconded by M. Boord; 3 ayes.

The Board voted to hold a Special Town Meeting on September 4 (Thursday) at Town Hall, 7:25 p.m. re: committment of Anti-Recession funds for town hall improvements.

Miscellaneous town and highway matters were reviewed.

F. Mather moved to go into Executive Session at 9:25 P.M. to discuss personnel matters; seconded by M. Boord; 3 ayes. D. White remained in the meeting.

The Executive Session and the meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna White

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Secretary

