

TOWN OF DURHAM



Office of the First Selectman

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BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING

September 10, 1981

The Board of Selectmen's Meeting of September 10, 1981, was called to order at 7:10 P.M. by First Selectman M. Foster Mather; present: Maryann P. Boord, Selectwoman; Gregory G. Curtis, Selectman. Townspeople present: S. Forline, H. Robinson, R. Reilly, M. Clark.

The minutes of the August 27, 1981, meeting were approved on a motion by M. Boord, seconded by G. Curtis, 3 ayes. G. Curtis questioned the absence of certain remarks by L. Charest at the previous meeting. The First Selectman responded that the Board of Selectmen's meeting is not a court or hearing where testimony is documented.

Weekly disbursements so noted.

Correspondence: letter from Meriden Motorcycle Club advising the Board of Selectmen of its rally through Durham on October 4, 1981.

Robert Reilly, Barbara Lane resident, requested Board action on the hazardous condition of the waterway and drainage system behind his house. The matter is in the Town Engineer's folder for when Dean Thomasson assumes the position on September 14th.

R. Reilly reported a traffic related problem: going south on Route 17 toward Barbara Lane the passing zone ends too close to the Barbara Lane intersection creating a hazard. The First Selectman will investigate further.

Road oiling: report will be given when all bills are in.

The First Selectman reported he had D. Thomasson look at the Oak Terrace drainage problem; D. Thomasson advised that it looks difficult to tie it in with Royal Oaks. G. Curtis suggested draining east through Oak Terrace. G. Curtis also requested a "Children Playing Sign" or something similar going north past Ferruci's and Buckley's on the east side of the road.

M. Boord moved to adjourn at 7:34 P.M.; seconded by G. Curtis; 3 ayes.

Respectfully submitted,


Donna White
Secretary

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INTERDEPARTMENTAL MEETING MINUTES

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The meeting was called to order by First Selectman M. Foster Mather who requested each representative discuss the major accomplishments of their respective group, stating future goals and what help may be needed from other boards and commissions.

Because he wanted everyone to know what the Planning and Zoning Commission is doing, the First Selectman introduced Henry Robinson, PZC Chairman, who reviewed the PZC activities, Plan of Development, revised site plans, multi-family dwellings. Goals: to move to the needs of the town; to differentiate between agriculture and agri-industry. Stated that sign control is very difficult -- offenders can't be taken to court. A standard sign on the green was discussed. Mr. Robinson emphasized that there will be no increase in development on Main Street.

Leo V. Willett, Jr., M.D., Director of Health: answers mostly nuisance calls; requests all these in writing. Provides flu shots for elderly. Sewer permits have been handled excellently by the Town Engineer. Hires a Sanitarian to inspect restaurants. Is planning to give free consultation to churches for their kitchens. Will also provide this service to the fair; food booths coming in to the fairgrounds will be inspected before they set up. Noted the comprehensive fly-control program in conjunction with DEP on Simon Farm and 2 areas of water pollution (dump related and Simon farm related). Feels it's unnecessary to form a health district. He will stand firm to enforce the drilling of wells before the issuance of building permits.

Irv Leining, Durham Volunteer Fire Company: a committee is investigating the purchase of a new smaller fire truck so it can get off the road without getting buried.

Marjorie C. Hatch, Town Clerk: difficult time adjusting to salary using the new machine.

Andrew M. Golschneider, Jr., Durham Volunteer Ambulance Corps: stressed that the ambulance corps is not a department of the town but a private group. Have purchased new equipment. Now have 31 members. Future goals: a "disaster" vehicle; direct communications with Middlesex Memorial Hospital. Brad Wilkinson is their medical consultant. Have instructed 50-60 people this year in CPR. The ambulance corps requests from the Board of Selectmen a written agreement for the building.

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Robert A. Bascom, D.M.I.A.B.: trying to impliment programs to prolong use of landfill (town wide municipal collection and recycling program). Wimler Construction doing excellent job at site. Have had a few fires -- mostly from hot wood and coal ashes. The 2 towns have moved toward a water system for homes affected by the site. Stressed that DMIAB will not accept hazardous waste.

Sherry Förline, Recreation Director: related the successful programs during her 2½ months as program director. Reviewed upcoming programs. Problem with storing equipment at ambulance corps building.

Richard Frawley, Municipal Agent: interfaces with elderly re benefits and problems. Will use press to publicize his available information. H. Robinson requested feedback about elderly housing.

Ralph W. Moeller, Zoning Board of Appeals: managed to keep out of court this year although 4 cases were brought before the board during this period. Noted that the Motor Vehicle Dept. can have the ZBA hold certain hearings re licensing, etc. Monies will be needed for secretarial services.

William Moore, Treasurer: Investments have done very well -- will exceed anticipated receipts from investments. By Oct. 1 should have \$17,000.

Daniel Murphy, Conservation Commission: have been maintaining their responsibilities: mowing, picnic area. Have attempted preventive program for gypsy moths and maintained an active tree planting effort along Main Street. Long and short term hopes: deal with Coginchaug River to improve esthetics and useability; have received a Rockfall Corp. grant for work on Rt. 68; money available from state (\$40,000) which can be used for Coginchaug River project; hopes to establish non-eroding nature trails; wants to use the 400 acres of White Farm land for other than parking lot; activate reservoir sites for recreational purposes. Concerned with misuse and destruction of land.

Malcolm Pearce, Civil Preparedness Director: Department has progressed from war foothold to an emergency office. Town's warning system still intact. Have generators for hurricanes or winter storm emergencies. Trying to keep school buses in town for emergency evacuation. The science department at the high school is monitoring fallout. Difficulty finding people during daytime for emergencies. We have outdated communications -- need a new frequency. Doesn't approve of mass evacuation plans. Has procured some things from state and federal surplus for the town.

The meeting adjourned at 9:56 P.M.

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