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BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MTG.

November 6, 1980

The November 6 meeting of the Board of Selectmen was called to order at 7:35 p.m. by First Selectman M. Foster Mather; other selectmen present: Maryann P. Boord, Gregory G. Curtis. Townspeople present: Ralph Moeller, William Moore, Mark Spatuzzi.

Motion by M. Boord to approve minutes of October 23, 1980, meeting; seconded by G. Curtis; 3 ayes. Weekly disbursements and foreman's report were so noted.

F. Mather reported approval from the Office of Policy and Management for the Town of Durham to use 200% of the poverty level as criteria for local eligibility under the Winter Energy Grant for homeowners: family of 1: \$6,800; 2: \$9,000; 3: \$11,200; 4: \$13,400.

A letter was so noted from a resident of Salted Lane.

Motion by F. Mather to appoint Peter C. Patton as the Selectmen's representative to Midstate Regional Planning Agency; seconded by M. Boord; 3 ayes. (this appointment includes membership on the Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Agency; a two-year term 12/1/79-11/30/81.)

The following bids were received:

- 1) Midway Auto Body, North Branford; towing of town equipment \$60/hr.
- 2) Durham Arco, 147 Main Street, Durham; towing of illegally parked vehicles: days: \$14; nights: \$17; weekends and holidays: \$17; storage: \$5/day.
- 3) Richard D. Vynalek & Sons, Blue Hills Road, Durham; to plow 9½ miles of Durham roads: \$40/hr.

Motion by G. Curtis to accept these three bids; seconded by F. Mather, 3 ayes.

F. Mather reported on his meeting with the auditor. Some changes, amounting to \$10,000, have been made in the end-of-year transfers. He will have a final draft typed and present it for discussion at the next Selectmen's meeting of November 20 and a copy will be sent to the Board of Finance for their review.

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Discussion re: landfill: DMIAB has asked the two involved towns to decide what method to use in solving the problem of landfill contaminated wells. Dr. Willett and Frank Magnotta met recently with the First Selectman to discuss this problem. According to the Town Engineer and Health Officer two wells are contaminated in Durham: Dale's and Dill's. F. Magnotta and L. Willett further feel the damage is permanent and an alternative water source should be found for these families. Suggestions:

- 1) Community well between Durham/Middlefield;
- 2) Pull out old casing and put in new casing-drill to greater depth and use clean water from there;
- 3) Durham could drill a well off the site (perhaps at Gastler's) and get an easement and re deed to owners. Would make the arrangement a private basis so town won't be involved.

F. Mather reported that Mr. Lee was reluctant for the towns to go separate ways on the solution which Mr. Lee felt should be on a 50/50 basis. A lengthy discussion followed. No board votes taken and no formal board position stated. The only final decision was that of F. Magnotta and L. Willett who went on record as stated before.)

The Town Treasurer reported the receipt of \$405,300 Education Grant monies. A large amount has been invested that will yield a sizable amount in interest.

F. Mather advised the Board of Finance members (who had joined the meeting for the Executive Session) that the figure for the projected MV supplement in this year's budget was figured on the mil rate before reval which will mean a \$30,000 deficit for the town in expected revenues as projected in the 1980-81 budget.

After discussion the Town Treasurer agreed to transfer CETA contingency funds and close out the account.

Motion by F. Mather to call an Executive Session to discuss real estate acquisition; seconded by J. Clifford and unanimously approved. Present: 3 Board of Selectmen; 6 Board of Finance; Elizabeth Quinlivan; Mark Spatuzzi; Joseph Carney; D. White. No votes taken. Executive Session and meeting adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

D. White

Donna White
Secretary