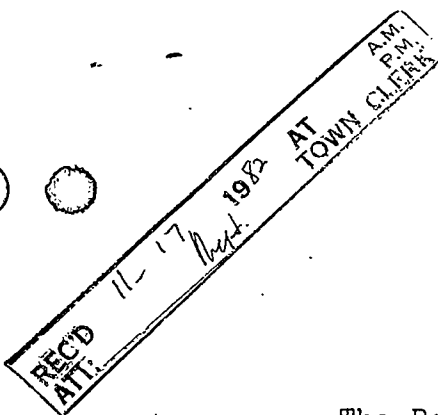




TOWN OF DURHAM



Office of the First Selectman

P. O. Box H

Durham, Connecticut 06422

BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING

November 9, 1982

The Board of Selectmen's Meeting of November 9, 1982, was called to order at 4:02 P.M. by First Selectman M. Foster Mather; Members present: Maryann P. Boord, Gregory G. Curtis.

Town Engineer Dean Thomasson advised the Board of Selectmen that he has received a request to build on Chester Fudge's lot near the corner of Ridge Road and Cedar Drive. The PZC has approved the request; however, he has advised the prospective homeowner that it's likely an unbuildable lot. F. Mather discussed placement of the driveway and its impact on the town's eventual acceptance of Ridge Road as a town road. G. Curtis cautioned placement of the septic system and doubted the possibility of the lot meeting the health code criteria. The Town Engineer suggested a conditional go-ahead from the Board of Selectmen. The Board of Selectmen agreed that it was advisable to tell the prospective homeowner to make no decisions until she's seen engineered drawings. The Board of Selectmen would then not object to the building permit if the drawings were acceptable.

Motion by M. Boord to approve the minutes of the previous meeting of October 21, 1982; second G. Curtis; 3 ayes.

Correspondence and Report of the First Selectman:

- 1) Letter read from the Town of Windsor noting its upcoming 350th Anniversary celebration in 1983. The Anniversary Committee requests the Town of Durham recommend an industry in Durham (to participate in the event) which has demonstrated a concern for municipal problems and a commitment to the future of our community. Noted.
- 2) The First Selectman told Board members he has received strong opposition from several residents re the annual motorcycle rally. The Board of Selectmen agreed to notify the sponsoring club of the complaints and offer to hold a quasi-public hearing with club members and residents.
- 3) Re letter from Robert Edwards: Town Counsel has

Board of Selectmen's Meeting
November 9, 1982

page two

advised that when the First Selectman receives a complaint and is requested to disclose the name of the person who complained, he can give out the information. If the First Selectman is asked to keep the complaint confidential, however, he can act as an agent and access the complaint himself and keep the name of the complainant to himself.

4) The First Selectman advised that a town meeting has been requested by agents of Royal Oaks to accept the road, but since they have not met all the criteria, no Board action is needed yet.

5) The First Selectman noted two requests from Frank Magnotta, former town engineer:

- a. To be reimbursed for 28 hours @\$13.20/hr. (\$369.00) as a witness in a pending town related lawsuit. The Board agreed to pay Mr. Magnotta for his time.
- b. To be allowed to purchase a calculator from the town which he purchased as town engineer and the town is not using. The First Selectman will ask Mr. Magnotta to make an offer.

6) The First Selectman brought the Board up-to-date re the landfill water system.

The Board of Selectmen discussed negotiations between the Mattabassett sewage facility and the Towns of Durham and Middlefield. Mattabassett will accept the towns' septage on a permit/fee basis if the towns will accept an annual estimate of 500 cu. yds. of unfilterable GGSS material, ash, and filter cakes (at a rate of \$9/ton) at the Durham-Middlefield landfill. In a related matter, the First Selectman advised that the towns wish to negotiate with DEP for the elimination of the 500' radius well arcs at the landfill in an effort to extend the life of the landfill. The First Selectman noted that there is still time to bring this back to another Board meeting.

The Board of Selectmen discussed revised road specifications which will be reviewed again at a later Board meeting.

The Board of Selectmen discussed a pending lawsuit; said discussion is allowed to be closed under the Freedom of Information Act for "strategy and negotiations regarding pending claims and litigation."

The First Selectman asked for comments and/or questions from the Board. G. Curtis opened a discussion of unmanned flying craft on the White's Farm/fairground area. F. Mather noted he has called the state police in response to complaints he's had on this matter and the state police have improved the situation to a great degree. G. Curtis said he suggested to the Conservation Committee that Maple Avenue be the eastern boundary of the flying craft. One

-continued-

Board of Selectmen's Meeting
November 9, 1982

page three

problem with this type of craft is that they get out of radio range of their controller and crash.

The next meeting of the Board of Selectmen is scheduled for November 18, 1982, Town Hall, 7:30 P.M.

Motion by M. Boord to adjourn at 5:11 P.M.; second G. Curtis; 3 ayes.

Respectfully submitted,


Donna White
Secretary