REC'D 11-22 1977 AT 1:35 A.M. P.M.
ATT: TOWN CLERK

TOWN OF DURHAM

Office of the Selectmen · Connecticut 06422

Carl N. Otte, First Selectman
Betty Wakeman, Selectwoman
Joel N. Davis, Selectman

BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING
November 17, 1977

The meeting was called to order at 8:13 P.M. by First Selectman, Carl N. Otte. Betty C. Wakeman and Joel N. Davis were present; Greg Curtis, Lewis Hinman, Roger Kleemans, Mal Pearce, Bill Moore, Ona McLaughlin, and Ed DeTour attended the meeting.

The minutes were corrected to read (p. 2, last para.) "Because there has been no money allotted in the present budget the current contract proposal will have little impact on the present budget. Negotiations for the contract of . . . " 3-0

The bills were paid for the week. 3-0

Malcolm Pearce, Jr., Civil Preparedness Director, reviewed the customary forms to be endorsed by the newly-elected Board of Selectmen. The present board, who also had to endorse them, voted to sign and process them. 3-0

Mr. Otte reported that the Durham Women's Club will decorate the christmas tree on the Green on December 18.

The Illumination Committee's report to the Board of Selectmen stated their balance of $21.17 will be donated to the Coginchaug Ancients Drum Corps with the approval of the Board of Selectmen. The Board further voted to write each member of the committee a thank you note. 3-0

Mr. Otte reported that the Town Facilities Site Committee has met and organized. Dr. Willett was chosen Chairman and Ira Kerschner, Secretary. Each member received an assignment. For further information see "Town Facilities Site Committee" file. Mr. Otte also reported meeting with Warren Herzig and Dr. Willett. Mr. Herzig will seek assistance from the DEP.

The Board took the following action relative to the Friday after Thanksgiving: The Town Hall will be open, it is a regular work day, but no penalty will be given to those who choose to take the day off without pay. 3-0 Pay checks will be distributed Friday, November 25th for the week. Checks will be signed by the board on Wednesday and the Treasurer will sign them Friday morning.

The Board voted to discharge the Charter Revision Commission with thanks. Publication of the newly-revised and adopted charter will be at the discretion of the new board. 3-0

The selection of a Personnel Policy Board will be on the agenda of the Special Town Meeting of December 12. The Town Committee Chairmen will be requested to furnish names of likely candidates and a press release will also seek interested participants.

The following people were appointed as a Library Needs Study Committee: Janet Moore, Irving Grossman, Lewis Hinman, Eleanor Roberts, and Gloria Nilson. They will be so notified by the First Selectman. 3-0

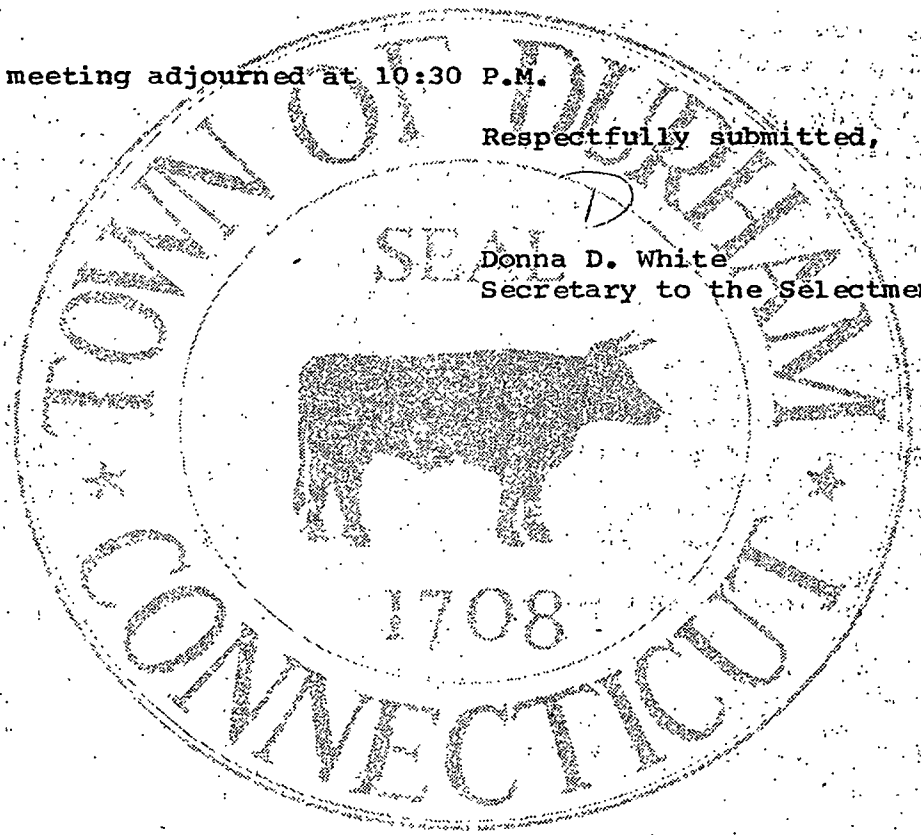
Mr. Otte also suggested to the new Chief of Police that he seriously consider the quick appointment of new constables especially for insurance reasons.

Ed DeTour met with the Board of Selectmen to express his anger at the delay in being paid for his work during the 76-77 fiscal year. He demanded a reasonable explanation of the entire procedure involved. He stated he expects to be paid interest on the money due and is considering resigning over the matter.

The Board of Selectmen will approach the Board of Finance to see if a faster moving source of funding can be found to pay DeTour.

At 9:40 O.M. the board voted to go into Executive Session to discuss the latest CSEA, Inc. proposal. Curtis and Hinman attended the session.

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna D. White
Secretary to the Selectmen