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DURHAM CONNECTICUT 06422

Board of Selectmen Minutes
December 3, 1973
(8:00 P.M.)

Present: A. Reed Hayes
Carl N. Otte
Richard Parmelee, Jr.

1. RESOLVED, that Mr. Gregory Cook be and he hereby is appointed to fill the unexpired regular term of Carl N. Otte on the Durham Historic District Commission. Vote 3-0.

2. RESOLVED, that Mrs. Ona McLaughlin be and she hereby is appointed to fill the unexpired alternate term of Gregory Cook on the Durham Historic District Commission. Vote 3-0.

3. The First Selectman acknowledged receipt of a formal letter from the Board of Finance which indicated that the Board had failed to resolve a tie vote for the position of Chairman and that the members were agreed that no compromise was possible. Accordingly, acting under Section 7-342 of the Connecticut General Statutes, the Board of Selectmen acted to appoint officers on the Board of Finance as follows:

   RESOLVED, that Mrs. Betty Wakeman be and she hereby is appointed to the position of Chairman, Board of Finance. Vote 2-1 with Richard Parmelee dissenting.

   RESOLVED, that Mr. Elmer Clark be and he hereby is appointed to the position of Vice-Chairman, Board of Finance. Vote 2-1 with Richard Parmelee dissenting.

   RESOLVED, that Gregory Cook be and he hereby is appointed to the position of Clerk, Board of Finance. Vote 2-1 with Richard Parmelee dissenting.

4. RESOLVED, that the Board of Selectmen stands in full support of and endorses the position taken by the Building Commission and the Building Official on the Gaslight Village Subdivision and in particular the placing of stop-work orders on all houses except Lot #4 as outlined in Building Commission minutes of November 24, 1973 and in the Building Officials letter to the Contractor/ Developer dated November 26, 1973.

5. RESOLVED, that the Selectmen hereby accept the bid of Charles W. Wimler for an old and obsolete sander in the amount of $55.00. Vote 3-0. Two bids were received.

6. The Board met with Mr. Phil Ferguson of the Durham Insurance Agency to review the towns current insurance overage.

   a. The First Selectmen will establish revised amounts for bonds covering town officials and will forward same to interested insurance agents for competitive quotation.

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b. The Board of Selectmen will review current insurance coverage on town buildings with the Board of Finance to determine the adequacy of existing coverage.

7. The Board will make four appointments to the newly created Building Code Board of Appeals at it's December 13th meeting and any resident interested is urged to contact one of the Selectmen. The Charter requires that members of this board have at least ten years of construction design, construction supervision, or actual construction experience.

8. RESOLVED, that the bid submitted by Brooke's Construction for delivered sand is hereby accepted by the Board on an interim basis. Four bids were requested and are on file. The Road Foreman is authorized to purchase sand in 150 cubic yard increments and to reorder as necessary. Vote 3-0.

9. The First Selectmen will request Town Counsel to advise on whether or not the town ought to require actual deeding to the town of roadways and drainage easements prior to the acceptance by the town of new town roads.

10. RESOLVED, that the Board of Selectmen will publish and distribute at town expense a brief pamphlet outlining procedures to be followed in the home in the event of a fuel shortage emergency. In addition, the Board will prepare a contingency plan designed to insure adequate fuel supplies to town emergency vehicles and, in general, to provide a plan of action in the event of emergency in the town. These actions are not to be interpreted as a warning signal of severe conditions, but rather as an indication of the Board's position that the town ought to be prepared in every possible way. Vote 3-0.

11. RESOLVED, that the First Selectman will request the Board of Finance to transfer $459.10 from the General Fund to the General Maintenance-Highways account. This amount was paid to the town by the U.S. Department of Agriculture for erosion control work and was deposited to the General Fund. The contractor was paid from the General Maintenance account, and this transfer will balance the transaction. Vote 3-0.

12. The Board notes with pleasure the attendance of four town residents at it's meeting and reminds residents that all Selectmen's Meetings are open to the public. The next meeting will be held at 8:00 P.M. on December 13, 1973 in the Town Hall.

A. Reed Hayes
First Selectman

REC'D 12-5 1973 AT 11:45 A.M. ~~P.M.~~
ATT: TOWN CLERK