



# TOWN OF DURHAM

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## BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING February 6, 1992

Called to order: 5:32 p.m. in Durham Town Hall.

Board of Selectmen (all) present: Maryann P. Boord, First Selectman; Francis E. Korn, Selectman; Robert F. Hall, Selectman.

Others present: Karen Gleason, The Middletown Press reporter; Dean Coenen, resident.

### Public Comments

Mr. Coenen complained to the Board of Selectmen that the garbage trucks picking up the dumpsters in front of his house at Colucci's, at 4:30 a.m., three times a week, have continued to disturb the peace of the neighborhood. He is representing the area residents, who ask that the Board of Selectmen please do SOMETHING to delay the dumpster pickup until at least 6:30 a.m.

M. Boord reported that she has spoken to David Webster, First Selectman/Middlefield, about the hauler involved. DMIAAB permits these haulers and it could be defined a violation of noise ordinances or a disturbance of the peace. Mr. Webster suggested that Mr. Coenen pursue this by calling Sgt. Shia at the Westbrook Barracks. M. Boord suggested asking the sgt if this kind of noise is "disturbing the peace."

### Budgets

- 1012 SELECTMEN'S EXPENSES 3 ayes \$14,250
- 1060 OFFICE EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES 3 ayes \$23,453
- 1501 ASSESSOR'S SALARY 3 ayes \$12,500
- 1502 ASSESSOR'S EXP. 3 ayes \$7,295
- 1505 MIDDLESEX COUNTY SOIL AND WATER 3 ayes \$1,144
- 1506 MIDSTATE REGIONAL PLANNING AGENCY 3 ayes \$3,095
- 1507 PROBATE COURT 2 aye (Boord,Korn); 1 abstain (Hall) \$4,552
- 2012 BLDG. CODE BD/APPEALS 3 ayes \$1

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2016 CHARTER REVISION 3 ayes \$1  
2018 PERSONNEL POLICY BOARD 3 ayes \$1  
2503 TOWN HALL MAINTENANCE 3 ayes \$32,209  
3001 STREET LIGHTS 3 ayes \$28,200  
4509 VITAL STATISTICS 3 ayes \$100  
4011 TOWING ABANDONED VEHICLES 3 ayes \$300  
4037 VALLEY SHORE COMMUNICATIONS 3 ayes \$28,719  
4535 HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE 3 ayes \$1  
7001 DEBT SERVICE FIREHOUSE 3 ayes \$25,313  
7003 DEBT SERVICE LIBRARY 3 ayes \$27,406

Special Board of Selectmen's Meeting

MOTION M. BOORD, SECOND F. KORN, TO HOLD A SPECIAL BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING ON FEBRUARY 18, 1992, AT 4:30 P.M. IN THE TOWN HALL TO DISCUSS BUDGETS.

Request for use of White's Farm

A request has been received from Stan Fisher on behalf of the Connecticut Sighthound Club and Colonial Lure Courses, asking permission to use White's Farm for one of their events to be held on April 25 and 26, 1992. The Board agreed to send the request to the Conservation Commission.

Flag Pole

A request from Ariel E. Platt, American Legion Post No. 184, for permission to provide the Town of Durham with the following services:

- a. professionally clean the veterans' memorial;
- b. canvass town residents to determine the veterans who served as part of "Desert Shield/Storm" operations;
- c. have made a plaque honoring these residents and have it affixed to the memorial stone.

He advises that the plaque will take place during the Memorial Day activities and requests earliest possible consideration of the request so he can begin the project.

F. Korn said it was a great idea and Mr. Platt should be advised to proceed.

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Grange Hall

M. Boord said she wants Bob Alves to give an assessment on the building. F. Korn said he'd like to discuss it again at the next meeting after Bob reviews it. Robert Hall stressed that there are no deadlines.

Appointment

MOTION M. BOORD, SECOND F. KORN, TO APPOINT KAREN ANTIN TO THE RETIREMENT BOARD FOR AN INDEFINITE TERM; 3 AYES.

MOTION R. HALL, SECOND F. KORN, TO APPOINT JOHN HASTINGS TO THE 12-31-94 VACANCY IN THE ALTERNATE POSITION (formerly Naples) ON INLAND WETLANDS AND WATERCOURSES AGENCY; 3 AYES.

Resignation

M. Boord read, and the Board accepted with regret, the resignation of William Gamelli from his position on the Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Agency.

Appointment

MOTION F. KORN, SECOND M. BOORD, TO APPOINT ROBERT CZARNECKI (ALTERNATE MEMBER) TO A REGULAR POSITION (formerly Gamelli) ON THE INLAND WETLANDS AND WATERCOURSES AGENCY FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 12/31/93; 3 AYES.

MOTION R. HALL, SECOND F. KORN, TO APPOINT FRANK LABELLA TO A THREE-YEAR TERM ON THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION (formerly held by Carl Otte); SAID TERM TO EXPIRE 12/31/94; 3 AYES.

Tax Refund

MOTION M. BOORD, SECOND F. KORN, TO REIMBURSE \$1,068.42 TO CHEMICAL MORTGAGE CO. (refund double payment); 3 AYES.

Roads

MOTION M. BOORD, SECOND F. KORN, TO TAKE THE APPROVAL OF SURREY DRIVE, BANTA LANE, AND A PORTION OF CROOKED HILL ROAD TO SPECIAL TOWN MEETING; 3 AYES.

Minutes

1. MOTION M. BOORD, SECOND F. KORN, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF 1/16/92; 3 AYES.

2. MOTION M. BOORD, SECOND F. KORN, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF 1/23/92; 3 AYES.

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Correspondence

1. Letter received from the Mental Health Board thanking M. Boord for attending their breakfast.

2. Letter from Mr. Esposito, Principal, Brewster School, recounting numerous acts of vandalism at the school. M. Boord reported that she has talked to the state police and they told her they have a plan of action.

3. Letter from David Russell, Executive Director, Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations, thanking M. Boord for participating in the mandate evaluation meeting. The Governor has said the mandate concerns will be addressed.

4. Two State Traffic Commission decisions were received:  
a. Route 68/Route 17 for a left-hand turn: yes.  
b. Route 17/Pickett Lane for a turn lane: no.

R. Hall expressed his concern with the Route 147/Route 17 intersection as traffic merges southerly ONTO Route 17; feels another lane should be installed.

5. Letter from the JFK Library requesting a nomination for an award for an "Act of Political Courage."

Public Comments

none

Selectmen's Concerns

none

Update From The First Selectman

1. Letter from William Breck, Superintendent of Schools, that reapportionment is upcoming; he is awaiting the letter from the state and then the reapportionment can proceed.

2. The Council of Governments has met frequently with the Rural Transit Board to beef up the service to Durham and Middlefield.

a. a questionnaire has been sent to businesses in Commerce Circle/Airline Park area;

b. commercial on TV from Merrill Adams class to use bus.

A meeting has been called for next week with area Selectmen, MRPA, and MCOG re the Transit District. MCOG members feel the budget proposal is unacceptable and it is therefore being negotiated.

3. Also from William Breck re water at Strong School testing positive for TCE's and vinyl chloride; they brought in bottled

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water and changed the filters. A plumber has been asked to check if the valve, which is still leaking, is faulty. A letter has gone home to the parents of the students that the water they are using is safe.

4. One more to do with William Breck: a meeting will be held with school officials, a Northeast Utilities representative, school principals, Paul Robert (the new Civil Preparedness Director) to go over the evacuation plan for the Haddam Neck drill on April 25th.

5. M. Boord discussed with the Board the latest Governor's report which included %'s state employees will be paying for health insurance in the future:

- a. 20% individual;
- b. 30% family.

She also noted that an employee will have to PROVE a heart and hypertension claim was caused by their employment before receiving benefits.

6. M. Boord shared a report from Joanne Salva:

- a. 3.2% behind last December in collections;
- b. 3.1% behind January collections.

7. She reported she spoke with Charles Galea, who lives on the cul-de-sac on James Road East. He claims the cul-de-sac was supposed to be temporary until Mr. Clementel (the developer) developed the land, but now Mr. Clementel can't develop the land and the town is involved in the Agreement in the Land Records.

R. Hall feels it is James Clementel's responsibility. M. Boord said they are all trying to determine whose responsibility it is.

8. M. Boord reported that another well is being drilled on the Trinity Co. property. The DPUC is scheduled to make their decision in March on use of that parcel for DCWC needs.

She reported she will attend a meeting with Mr. Steere of FmHA tomorrow re: FmHA funding for construction of the Trinity project.

9. The Zimmer worker's compensation hearing was postponed.

#### Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.