

TOWN OF DURHAM



Office of the First Selectman

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BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING

March 3, 1987

The meeting was called to order at 7:50 P.M. Present:

Mary Jane P. Jewczyn, Maryann Boord, James Dean.

Discussion re TIP funds--Bd. of Finance ok'd \$19,000 through budget system toward town truck. M.J. Jewczyn reviewed with Board her latest discussion with the Board of Finance re salaries and Town Hall staffing. J. Dean noted there are still state discretionery funds available--maybe town could make application to do 6 wells in Durham Heights.

Motion J. Dean, second M.J. Jewczyn, to approve the following minutes as written: January 29, February 2, February 5, February 10, and February 17; 3 ayes. Minutes of February 19, 1987, also approved with the addition of "...if the wells work.", paragraph 2, at the end of the sentence beginning "Homeowners would..."

Note from homeowner on Carriage Drive thanking town for clearing out where the snow plow pushed the snow. M.J. Jewczyn will advise her that next year the homeowner will have to contract the service privately.

M.J. Jewczyn noted that James Ledford, Wheeler Hill Dr., was in to see her. Had septic problem after past rain and after having tank pumped and seeing it was all clear water, he blamed the development of the "Marino property." Assistant Health Officer William Milardo inspected the area and said the extreme amount of water just "puddled out," ...that it was the circumstances of that particular storm. W. Milardo will check further with Steve Kotowski and Gordon Daring.

Motion M.J. Jewczyn, second M. Boord, to declare March 22 as "Hands Around the Homeless Day" per request by the Middlesex Lay Outreach Group.

M.J. Jewczyn reported meeting with Terri Larson of First CT Bancorp in reference to municipal lease programs whereby towns can lease computers, firetrucks, etc., for towns not setting aside enough money for capital expenditures. Board felt Town of Durham is not in that category--Town is in good shape at this time. M.J. Jewczyn said she'd send a copy to the Bd. of Finance and Treasurer.

Thank you received from American Heart Assoc. for the Town of Durham's participation in Heart month.

Motion M.J. Jewczyn, second M. Boord, to proclaim March 9-14, 1987, as "Older Worker Week." Aye (Jewczyn, Boord) Abstain (Dean) Dean said he felt it should be designated "Experienced Worker Week." Boord concurred; should be no reference to age.

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M.J. Jewczyn said Kelly Services and Manpower, Inc. will be using Town Hall for area interviews for perspective workers.

Copy of the Teacher's contract discussed. School population has shifted in Durham's favor. R. Gourley said Durham may even enjoy a mil decrease in its assessment.

Re CAMDC request to join plus \$25 dues request. M.J. Jewczyn will talk to Joe Carney to see if its a valid need for the Town. If he says yes, the Board will join.

Howd Road Capital Project for bridge discussed. M.J. Jewczyn said application is for \$111,300.

M.J. Jewczyn reported that Valerie Herod of Cheshire will assume the duty of Town of Durham Librarian on April 6th. The Board of Trustees wants to have a reception.

Discussion of Library Development fund: they have \$17,000 for some projects that still have to be accomplished. They're concerned that the Board of Finance will try to use the money toward run-of-the mill/maintenance expenses. Board felt a trust fund was a good idea and they agreed that that money should be for interior furnishings and should not be taken away from them. When they are ready, the Board of Selectmen will pursue.

J. R. Taylor has complained to the First Selectman about:
1) Fowler Ave/Cherry La. are getting loads of truck traffic. Feels town should encourage contractors to use Higganum Rd. M.J. Jewczyn will ask Ed Burns to talk to them. J. Dean suggested asking MRPA re truck weights because pavement is breaking up;
2) Fowler Ave/Cherry Lane should be one way during the fair.

Discussion re hiring Anthony Satagaj as follows: Effective date March 1, 1987, with an annual salary of \$12,500; have him submit request for payment for Nov., Dec., Jan., and Feb. unless Bob Frank has already done so; expenses should be requested on a voucher basis, no auto-pay. Have him put in rate he's requesting and if he won't set a rate for past service, M.J. Jewczyn will suggest one. A letter will be sent to him.

Organizational matters; unanimously agreed:
1) Bd. will hold regularly scheduled meetings on the first and third Thursdays of a given month; 7:30 P.M.; Town Hall.
2) Maryann P. Boord will serve as Acting First Selectman in the absence or disability of the First Selectman Mary Jane P. Jewczyn.

M.J. Jewczyn said F. Mather feels PZC isn't taking into consideration the impact of development on existing roads; someone from Board of Selectmen needs to sit on them.

Areas of special interest for each board member were discussed for that member to coordinate:

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M.J. Jewczyn: landfill, Economic Development Commission, Chamber of Commerce

M. Boord: Human Services, Recreation, Trinity Corps

J. Dean: PZC, E911 Street Numbering, Public Safety.

M.J. Jewczyn re Economic Development Commission: wants to add to its numbers. Board will make appointments at the next meeting.

Noted: if funding is approved for clerical 40 hour week, Town Hall hours will remain AS IS, i.e., 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The extra hour a day will be at each person's discretion.

Discussion of payment for computer furniture:

\$29,300 computer cost set aside via TIP funds
30,300 actual cost

need \$1,000 to cover equipment, plus
1,500 maintenance fees, plus
600 furniture
\$3,100

will be charged to #1060 and details worked out later. The Board of Finance is aware and will work this out with the Board of Selectmen.

Issue raised re snow plowing Haddam Quarter (extension section) for next year's bus routes.

M. Boord noted broken curbs at firehouse. M.J. Jewczyn: we'll fix. M. Boord also noted the Ambulance Corps building roof leaks very badly--in danger of falling in. Is a slate roof. They're having someone investigate for an estimate. The Board of Finance has been notified also.

Meeting adjourned at 10:45 P.M.

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