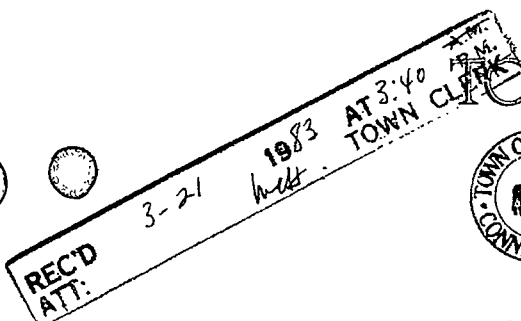




TOWN OF DURHAM

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BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING March 17, 1983

The Board of Selectmen's Meeting of March 17, 1983, was called to order at 7:33 p.m. by First Selectman M. Foster Mather; Board members present: Maryann P. Boord, Gregory G. Curtis. Board of Trustees members present: Joseph Planeta, George Planeta, Robert Hall, Douglas Harmon; Mary Jane Jewczyn, Chairman of the Board of Finance and Mary DiMella also present.

The Board of Trustees of the Fire Company advised the Board of Selectmen that they are working on setting up a change in the emergency phone system. Two dispatchers presently operate the phone and the Board has been unable to recruit additional dispatchers. They are presently studying the system Cromwell uses: @20 paid people operate the phones 24 hours a day (paid at @ minimum wage). The Board of Trustees requested the Board of Selectmen's guidance in the matter and a resolution authorizing the Trustees to set up a communications center. Alternatives were discussed (Middletown would not handle ambulance calls) and possible problems were discussed (workers could be eligible for union benefits, etc.). Mr. Hall requested a letter from the Board of Selectmen listing problems to be worked out. A tentative target date of 7/1/84 was mentioned by the Trustees as a starting date.

Mary DiMella, Executrix, Roger Clark Estate, requested guidance from the Board of Selectmen as to the Town's position re purchase of the Clark property for cemetery purposes. She was assured that the town is going to purchase the land and Attorneys Ryan and Poliner are working on the Agreement.

Motion by M. Boord, second G. Curtis, to approve the Minutes of the March 3, 1983, meeting; 3 ayes. Motion by M. Boord, second G. Curtis, to approve the Minutes of the March 10, 1983, meeting; 3 ayes. No questions re weekly disbursements.

Correspondence

1) Request from C.A.G.M. for representative; motion M. Boord to reappoint Janet S. Muraca as the town's representative to C.A.G.M.; term to begin May 1 for the 1983-1984 program year; second F. Mather; 3 ayes.

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2) Letter from Attorney Ken Antin advising the Board of Selectmen, in the case of Dale vs Town of Durham, that damages of \$2,700 are being sought. F. Mather will check to see if Middlefield is sharing the cost.

3) The First Selectman told the Board that the Board of Finance has approved \$5,000 in the Historic District Commission budget account for an architectural survey of historical buildings in Durham sponsored by the Greater Middletown Preservation Trust, Inc. The total cost of \$20,000 less grants is \$5,000.

4) A letter from J. Richard Taylor raising two questions re easements:

a) Since the easement was given the Fair by the Conservation Commission, may the easement be modified by the Conservation Commission?

b) Does the town attorney see any legal objections in leaving the easement modified so the Fair can furnish water to the Durham Center Water Co. -or- the Durham Center Water Co. can draw water from one of the Fair springs?

Discussion. The Board of Selectmen agreed to contact Town Counsel.

Motion by F. Mather to adjourn at 9:06 p.m.; second M. Boord; 3 ayes.

The next meeting is scheduled for April 7, 1983, Public Meeting Room, Town Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna White

Donna D. White
Secretary