

TOWN OF DURHAM



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BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING

March 20, 1986

The meeting was called to order at 7:39 p.m. by Acting First Selectman Mary Jane P. Jewczyn; Present: James D. Dean, Selectman; Absent: Charles R. Mauro, First Selectman.

Motion J. Dean, second M. Jewczyn, to accept the Board of Selectmen's minutes of March 6 and 11, 1986; 2 ayes.

Water Pollution Control Authority business

Water Quality Group recommendations were discussed. Sections will be used for items to be discussed at future WPCA meetings.

M. Jewczyn discussed the Household Hazardous Waste Committee by noting that Midstate Regional Planning Agency is the host agency for hazardous waste disposal and they are looking to pool a collection day. The League of Women's Voters will be doing the leg work.

J. Dean noted that 13 houses that are involved in the Merriam Mfg. Co. water contamination problem were supposed to get water and still haven't.

Board of Selectmen matters (and more WPCA)

J. Jewczyn advised that the Board of Education approved the Agreement re Brewster School. The District meeting will be March 26th. The Board of Selectmen has been given a copy of the Resolution to study. Motion J. Dean, second M. Jewczyn, to accept the Resolution; 2 ayes.

Motion M. Jewczyn, second J. Dean, to call a Special Town Meeting for April 7th to discuss the Brewster School issue, the \$6,000 funding for outside engineer, and renaming of Bear/Bare Rock Road; 2 ayes.

Lila Kowalski reported to the Board that the detention pond has been cleaned out but it should be periodically checked. She further reported that Blair's count on Feb. 20th was 180--on March 14th was 712 (after the pond was cleaned.)

Nancy Theide's septic problem on Wilcox Road was discussed with her. L. Kowalski queried why the engineer had not followed through on his request to be kept involved.

M. Jewczyn advised she has no date on which to expect the Jacobson report. The Board agreed to ask B. Tommell to check detention pond periodically. M. Jewczyn stressed the Town will not take over control for 2 years; first PZC will have to get involved, then the Board of Selectmen.

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L. Kowalski said she knows personally there's a fecal odor at the detention pond.

F. Mather discussed proposed highway projects with the Board.

Motion M. Jewczyn, second J. Dean, at 8:10 p.m. to call an Executive Session re personnel. Present M. Spatuzzi, A. Zimmer, D. Snoman, R. Quinley, D. Abdella. No votes taken. Out of Executive Session at 10:04 p.m.

M. Jewczyn told the Board of the Chapman's (Wildwood Lane) dissatisfaction with the way the road crew cut the tree and they also suggested the crew could be more respectful of property owner's wishes. M. Jewczyn will talk to the Tree Warden about what course of action to take.

Discussion re bulldozing the spring cistern on White's Farm. M. Jewczyn will consult Dan Murphy, Conservation Chairman.

J. Dean questioned if the junk/abandoned car has been removed from the town garage. M. Jewczyn said David Goldner was going to handle the matter.

Motion M. Jewczyn, second J. Dean, at 10:29 p.m. to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel. Present (including the Board) A. Zimmer and D. Abdella. Motion M. Jewczyn, second J. Dean, to deny grievance of Kurt Bober. Out of Executive Session at 10:33 p.m.

M. Jewczyn reported visiting the Valley Shore facility who will shortly be expanding their office. Motion J. Dean, second M. Jewczyn, to budget \$25,000 for the initial setup of the E911 installation; 2 ayes.

Letter from Joanne Salva, Tax Collector, requesting an increase in salary. Board noted it's against law to give raises to elected officials in office.*

Re clerical help in Town Engineer's office: C. Mauro wants matter to be held until he can be involved.

Highway projects were discussed. The priority C. Mauro has are 1) Howd Road, 2) Cemetery/Maple, and 3) Haddam Quarter. J. Dean said he felt that widening Haddam Quarter will meet with much resistance and the other end of Haddam Quarter should be fixed. M. Jewczyn will talk to C. Mauro and F. Mather to see if the budget for Haddam Quarter project should be left unspecified.

The Durham Center Water Company will meet March 31 at 7:30 p.m. at the Town Hall to reach an Agreement whereby the 39 users would pay an initial \$1,000 share and \$265/yr. after that. M. Jewczyn feels the Town should pay its \$2,000. J. Dean questioned why we couldn't use the water from the fairgrounds. M. Jewczyn will let J. Dean know what the town's position is re the Durham Center Water Company.

*Further research shows this does not apply to towns governed by Town Meeting.

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Re contract for an outside engineer with Metcalf, R. Poliner is checking it out and M. Jewczyn will sign it if counsel agrees.

Motion J. Dean, second M. Jewczyn, to have Poliner & Poliner prepare a Resolution re naming of Bear/Bare Rock Road. A. Zimmer was asked to have a street sign made for the April 7th Special Town Meeting.

George Gulielmetti's letter re his Creamery Road property was read. Board agreed C. Mauro should speak to him.

Report from the Road Foreman:

- 1) Powder Hill is like a washboard--will have to grade and add processed stone.
- 2) Has received numerous complaints re Harvey Road condition.

The Board agreed to request Board of Finance reopen account #2514 and increase the \$4,000 to \$4,500 to reset posts on the tennis courts.

Motion J. Dean, second M. Jewczyn, to add to account 1050 \$17,500 for an Administrative Coordinator; 2 ayes. Job description to follow.

The meeting adjourned at 11:18 p.m.

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