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BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING June 6, 1991

The meeting was called order at 7:05 p.m. by First Selectman Maryann P. Boord; Board members present: Francis E. Korn. Absent: Gladys Lavine. Others present: Karen Avitabile Gleason, Elizabeth Osborne, Mary DiMella, Maria Alvarez. Board of Finance members present (at 7:50 p.m.): Brian Garbarino, Peter Kofsuske, Rosemarie Naples, Dean A. Thomasson, Beth Quinlivan, Mary Jane Jewczyn, George Eames IV.

Correspondence

- (1) Henry A. Fahl, Haddam Quarter Rd., is concerned about the following potentially dangerous intersections: Haddam Quarter Road and Johnson Lane, and Johnson Lane and Maiden Lane. He recommends a 4-way stop and a 3-way stop, respectively. M. Boord will wait to hear Tom Fenton's recommendation.
- (2) William W. Stoeckert, Executive Director, Dept. of Transportation: suggests that the Town of Durham not install a flashing beacon and traffic control signal at the intersection of Tuttle Rd. and Dunn Hill Rd.
- (3) Dept. of Transportation: The Action Cab Co. of Middletown is seeking authorization to combine their two taxi cabs in Middlefield, Cromwell, Portland, and Haddam with the five in Middletown to result in seven serving the combined areas.

Tax Refund

MOTION BY M. BOORD, SECONDED BY F. KORN, TO REFUND TO SHAMUT BANK \$140.77. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY. The tax collector requested this refund because the motor vehicle registration was cancelled and the vehicle was sold.

Selectman's Concern's

- (1) July 4th Celebration: M. Boord related plans of the July 4th Celebration Committee. The Celebration will begin at 11 a.m. with a brief ceremony followed by cooking of food at 12-1:30 p.m., music at 1 p.m. and games at 1:30 p.m.
- (2) SNETCo informed M. Boord that in the event of a power failure at the Durham station, 911 calls will not terminate at Valley Shore. 24-hour monitoring of the line is not a reasonable solution; M. Boord is awaiting a recommendation from Ellen Warzecha and Bob Larsen, of SNET.

(3) Adopt-A-Road Cleanup committee is meeting today, June 6; to finalize plans for Sat., June 8th.

Set Mill Rate

The Board of Finance entered this meeting at approximately 7:50 pm. M. Boord explained reasons leading up to the decision of the Board of Selectmen to take action to set the mill rate. She stated that the Board of Selectmen needs to carry out its obligation to the Town of Durham. Setting the mill rate now will avoid the possible need for short-term borrowing if the bills are sent out after the July 1st deadline.

George Eames IV responded on behalf of all Board of Finance members. He said it would not be prudent to set the mill rate prior to the next Board of Education referendum, set for June 18. Also, he would like to have the townspeople more informed of the necessity of the Board of Selectmen to set a mill rate in the event the referendum fails; he suggests a town hearing to get feedback from the townspeople. Rosemarie Naples, Dean Thomasson, Peter Kofsuske said the feelings of the townspeople should be considered. Mary Jane Jewczyn recommended getting an accurate account of the Town's financial status from the Town Treasurer.

Discussion followed.

MOTION BY M. BOORD, SECONDED BY F. KORN, TO TABLE SETTING THE MILL RATE. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Public Comments

Elizabeth Osborne and Mary DiMella were in agreement with the Board of Finance.

Adjournment

MOTION BY M. BOORD, SECONDED BY F. KORN, TO ADJOURN AT 8:30 P.M. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.