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BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING
June 21, 1990

The meeting was called to order at 7:07 p.m. by First Selectman Maryann P. Boord; also Francis Earle Korn and Gladys B. Lavine were present. No townspeople were in attendance.

CT Surplus Purchasers

MOTION M. BOORD, SECOND F. KORN, TO AUTHORIZE THE FOLLOWING TO BE PURCHASERS THROUGH THE STATE SURPLUS PROGRAM: ALFRED BRECHLIN, RICHARD OLSON, DOUGLAS STENDER, MARYANN BOORD, THOMAS FENTON, AND AN AMBULANCE CORPS REPRESENTATIVE; 3 AYES.

Policy for the Department of Housing

MOTION M. BOORD, SECOND F. KORN, TO ADOPT AN POLICY RELATIVE TO PROHIBITING THE USE OF EXCESSIVE FORCE BY LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES AGAINST ANY INDIVIDUAL INVOLVED IN NON-VIOLENT DEMONSTRATIONS; 3 AYES.

Insurance Waivers

1. MOTION M. BOORD, SECOND F. KORN, TO ACCEPT HIS $500,000 LIMIT OF LIABILITY INSURANCE FROM RICHARD ROWE FOR CUTTING HAY ON THE ELDERLY HOUSING SITE, WHICH IS ADJACENT TO HIS FARM; 3 AYES.

2. MOTION M. BOORD, SECOND F. KORN, TO ACCEPT THE $300,000 FOR ARTHUR SCOVILL D/B/A SCOVILL LANDSCAPING, ON THEIR VEHICLES USED DURING THE PROJECT FOR NEW FRONT STEPS ON TOWN HALL; 3 AYES.

Special Town Meeting

MOTION M. BOORD, SECOND F. KORN, 3 AYES, TO SET A SPECIAL TOWN MEETING DATE OF JULY 9, 1990, 8 P.M., C.R.H.S., WITH THE FOLLOWING ADENDA:

1. BOARD OF EDUCATION RESIGNATION;
2. TRINITY LOAN;
3. INSURANCE OVERAGE MONEY TRANSFER;
4. DISCONTINUATION OF A SECTION OF OLD BLUE HILLS ROAD.

Resignations

1. MOTION M. BOORD, SECOND F. KORN, TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF ALTHEA PARMELEE FROM THE INLAND WETLANDS AND WATERCOURSES AGENCY, NOTING HER YEARS OF DEDICATION TO THE TOWN; 3 AYES. (The vacancy does not have to be filled with a PZC member.)

2. MOTION M. BOORD, SECOND F. KORN, TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF EUGENE CHIAPETTA FROM THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, NOTING HIS YEARS OF DEDICATION TO THE TOWN; 3 AYES.

Tax Refunds

1. MOTION M. BOORD, SECOND F. KORN, TO REFUND $51.84 TO GEORGE AND ISABELLE ADAMS, PER A REQUEST FROM THE TAX COLLECTOR; 3 AYES.

2. MOTION M. BOORD, SECOND F. KORN, TO REFUND $74.38 TO JOHN RIBERA, PER A REQUEST FROM THE TAX COLLECTOR; 3 AYES.

Correspondence

1. Letter from DOT re request for additional illumination on Route 17 at the Notre Dame Church; Commissioner Burns gives his consent.

2. Request for signs on Little Lane: MOTION M. BOORD, SECOND F. KORN, TO POST TWO "SLOW CHILDREN" SIGNS AT EITHER END OF THE ROAD, A "BLIND DRIVEWAY" ON THE CURVE, BUT NO "STOP" SIGN; 3 AYES.

3. Note from Lainy Melvin thanking the Board for a Proclamation that was recently presented to her.

4. Note from J. Richard Taylor requesting traffic and parking control on Fowler Ave/Cherry Lane for the duration of the Durham Fair. He sent a copy of his request to the Fair Association; Mrs. Boord will discuss the item with the Fair Association President.

5. Letter from the MAT noting increase in fairs for its ridership; Durham's rate, however, will remain the same.

6. Letter from Wally Camp thanking the Board for their acknowledgement of his endeavors.

7. Letter from the Town of Stonington requesting someone from our town to serve on a committee about binding arbitration. M. Boord said she feels that there should be an overhaul in the appointments of arbitrators. G. Lavine wants this discussion to be a separate item on a future Board Agenda. F. Korn said he feels the best way to handle our concerns is to notify our legislators.

8. Letter from DOT that our application for the Saw Mill Bridge Project has been denied. The Town Engineer has requested a copy of their recent re-evaluation but he has not yet received it.

9. Unemployment in Durham during April 1990: 4.4%

10. Notification from Terri Larsen that United Bank will now be Fleet Bank.

11. Letter from J. Friar, Middlesex Lane Trust, and G. Colegrove, Executive Director of Midstate Regional Planning Agency, requesting a meeting on July 27th at 8:30 a.m. relative to the need to conserve and manage the Coginchaug River.

12. Advisement from the Dept. of Labor that our pension negotiations will be going into factfinding. M. Boord reported that last night (at pension negotiations), they expected to settle and did not.

13. Letter from the State Liquor Commission telling the Board that a Public Hearing has been set up re the Road House Cafe renewal for June 28, 1990; 12 noon.

14. Letter from the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Commission: funding is available for locally-initiated programs. M. Boord requested Board input. She reported that a drug abuse booklet has been sent to all parents of Regional School District #13 pupils.

Minutes

1. MOTION M. BOORD, SECOND F. KORN, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF 5/17/90; 3 AYES.

2. MOTION M. BOORD, SECOND F. KORN, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF 6/7/90; 3 AYES.

3. MOTION M. BOORD, SECOND F. KORN, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF 6/13/90; 3 AYES.

Public Comments

no public comments

Selectmen's Concerns

G. Lavine:
1. wants a town map posted during meetings so that it can be used for reference;
2. wants to take action to exempt business meetings of local political town committees from having to meet insurance requirements.

F. Korn:
1. wants time to study the insurance waivers to see how our town insurance policy reads. He wondered if the town committees have ever furnished insurance for meeting in town hall. The Board will

pursue; will be a future agenda item..

Chip sealing bid

Low bidder was Mystic Bituminous and they will receive the contract. This is being handled by the Town Engineer/Public Works Director.

Annual Report

Information to be included in the report is due this year by September 1, 1990.

Update From the First Selectman

1. She reported that Kurt Bober was concerned about the makeup of the sand used on the playground, but Sherry Hill confirmed with the production company that it is the best available sand...does NOT contain glass, the sparkly bits are mica.

2. The next Business After Work is scheduled for June 28, 1990, from 5-7 p.m.

3. Kurt Bober is accepting additional responsibilities and receiving a 7% increase in wages since Ed Burn's resignation; Kurt will be doing the ordering of goods, cooperating in the planning programs, etc.

4. Talked to Wilma Blakeslee of the Homemaker's Club about the tree lighting; Mrs. Blakeslee said it is time for the tradition to pass on to other people. The Recreation Committee will pick up the responsibility.

5. Reported on State Aid to Municipalities.

6. Reported that the Tax Collector is very close to having collected 100% of the levy; she expects no problem with collecting the full amount.

Joint Meeting with the Board of Finance

The Boards met jointly to discuss the interest-free $25,000 requested loan/gift for the Trinity Corps to use for initial expenses. Present: Maryann P. Boord, Francis E. Korn, Gladys B. Lavine (Board of Selectmen); Mary Jane P. Jewczyn, Brian Garbarino, Elizabeth Quinlivan, Peter Kofsuske, Rosemarie Naples, Dean Thomasson, George Eames (Board of Finance); Kathy McKinnon (AEG); and Jane Mauro, Carl Heck, Althea Parmelee (Trinity Corps).

Dean Thomasson cited state statutes (7-130b and 7-130r) that he interprets to mean statutes stipulate an Authority must be set up

by Town Meeting to receive funds.

Many questions by (mainly) George Eames to Kathy McKinnon, who skillfully answered all questions posed.

Althea Parmelee and Francis Korn expressed their sadness and exasperation that so many of Durham's elderly have left town because there is no elderly housing.

The Board of Finance then went into their own meeting to decide upon their vote.

Neighborhood Assistance Act

Explanation and presentation of the Neighborhood Assistance Act by Hugh Curley of the Middlesex County Chamber of Commerce. For making contributions to any project that builds up the community, tax credits can be given for up to 60%. The Allyn Brook Park project would be a qualifying project. He advised that a Public Hearing and Special Town Meeting would be needed to accept the Act. MOTION M. BOORD, SECOND F. KORN, TO HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING AT 7:00 P.M AND A SPECIAL TOWN MEETING IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING ON JULY 5, 1990, IN THE DURHAM TOWN HALL, TO PURSUE THE ADOPTION OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSISTANCE ACT; 3 AYES.

Adjourn

MOTION M. BOORD, SECOND F. KORN, TO ADJOURN AT 9:43 P.M.; 3 AYES.