

**THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING  
MAY 7, 2001**

The Board of Selectmen Meeting was opened at 7:01 p.m. The following members were present: Chairman Jennifer Dean, Lincoln E. Barber III, Ken Gikas, Leslie Davis, Mike Pare, and Executive Secretary Alden Jefts.

**Correspondence**

Jennifer Dean read through the correspondence with the Board. There was discussion about the Z.B.A. decision. Mr. Pare and Jennifer Dean will attend the Cable meeting tomorrow night.

**Executive Secretary's Report**

Al discussed the two insurance companies he is working with.

The Town will need to vote on the 14<sup>th</sup> regarding the Vocational School or vote will be invalid after the 31<sup>st</sup>.

The Board made a motion to award the Landscaping Contract to Mullally Construction for three years at the same rate. Mike Pare made the motion, and Les Davis seconded it. The vote was unanimous.

Al informed the board that the problem with the telephone call processor has been resolved.

The employment applications for the town are not consistent with Massachusetts and Federal guidelines. Al will redo a generic application, and ask the Police and Fire to make attachments for the application with the proper fire and police questions needed to be answered.

Al discussed some ideas that he has for a Town Wellness Plan.

**Old Business**

There is an ad in the paper for a full time Firefighter/EMT.

There has been a request put in to the Valley Tech for a desk and a table to be sanded and refinished. The Town has wood to possibly donate. Al will let all departments know about putting in requests to the Valley Tech.

The Hope Street property will be released to the Board to put for auction after the special town meeting on the 14<sup>th</sup>.

Mike Pare discussed the bridge work. Al will call the appropriate people in regards to this issue. John Dean and Brian Dicks spoke about the bridge and their disappointment in the progress so far.

The new Firefighter Sub Station II will have a recognition open house for all the donators. Ken Gikas will gather the donor's information and give to Al for letters to be sent.

Lincoln Barber brought up the number of cars seen lately at Preferred Auto Sales. The last number noted was 51. Ken Gikas made a motion to revoke their Class B License subject to a Public Hearing. Mike Pare seconded it and the vote was unanimous. Al will send notice of hearing for May 21, 2001 by Certified Mail with a Return Receipt.

The interior paint of the new bathrooms was discussed. The Selectmen did not like the colors chosen. They would like to see a more neutral color to be used. Les Davis made a motion that any renovation, addition, or alteration to the appearance of the Town Hall, inside or out must be presented to the Historical Preservation Committee for recommendations. Ken Gikas seconded it. The vote was unanimous.

#### New Business

The Board reviewed the Annual Town Meeting Warrant. Some of the items will be deferred to June 4, 2001. They also reviewed the Budget and the Board would like to meet with the Fire and Police Chiefs at the next meeting for Q&A.

There was a short recess to change the tape.

Lincoln Barber would like letters to be sent to the Boards and Committees for re-appointments back by May 31, 2001.

Jennifer Dean spoke about a stone that Margaret Carroll would like to have moved from Central and Fletcher that could be engraved with the year 1850 on it.

October is National Italian Heritage Month. The Board will discuss at next meeting.

The Town's Complaint file has 100% resolution/satisfaction this year.

#### Good and Welfare

Mike Pare thanked Les Davis for Representing the Board at the Retirement dinner. He also mentioned a Mother's Day Dinner being held at the Community Center on Mother's Day. He also mentioned that June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2001 is Dump Day. The Fee will be \$10. No Tires, Batteries, or Hazardous Waste. June 20<sup>th</sup> will be the Playground Anniversary Party there will be free hot dogs etc. A playground cleanup will be held this weekend.

Al thanked the Library for the monitors and computer equipment given to the Town Clerk.

Colleen had a question about the Parade Route, whether it will be changed or not if the bridge is not a safe place for pedestrians. The Board informed her that the route will not change.

A Motion to Recess and to go into Executive Session was made by Ken Gikas and seconded by Lincoln Barber. Meeting was recessed at 9:30 p.m. on a roll-call vote Leslie Davis Aye, Lincoln Barber Aye, Jennifer Dean Aye, Ken Gikas, Mike Pare Aye.

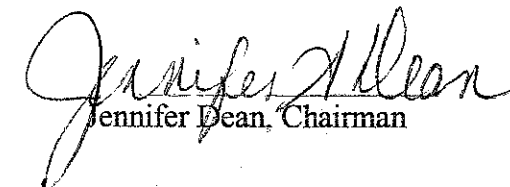
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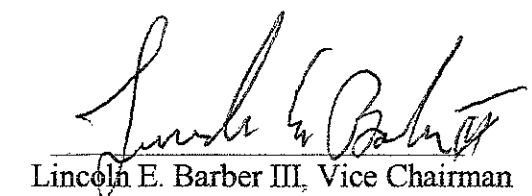
The Board signed the warrants.

The Board made motion to adjourn. Motion to adjourn was made by Les Davis, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ken Gikas. Meeting was adjourned at 10:20 p.m.

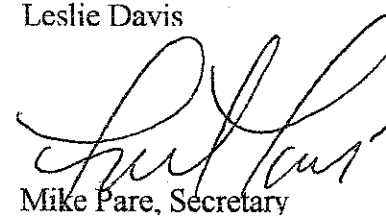
Respectfully Submitted,

Hollie J. Andrews, Recorder

  
Jennifer Dean, Chairman

  
Lincoln E. Barber III, Vice Chairman

Leslie Davis

  
Mike Pare, Secretary

Ken Gikas