

**Town of Newington
Board of Selectmen
June 11, 2001 Meeting Minutes**

Present: Board of Selectmen (BOS), Chairman Christopher Cross (C), Selectmen Cosmas Iocovozzi (I), & John (Jack) O'Reilly (R); also, Executive Assistant (EA) Robert M. Belmore.

Chairman Cross called the workshop meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.

- Petition for Release of Dedicated Way Pursuant to RSA 231:52 – Motion by R, second by I, to accept the citizens' petition. Discussion took place; a Memorandum to the Selectmen from town planner Tom Morgan was noted - Morgan stated that he concurred with the petitioners' analysis and proposal regarding the release of parcel B, Piscataqua Drive. Motion passed, 3-0 vote.

Motion by R, second by I, 3-0 vote to amend the petition by adding the following language at the end of the last sentence in the petition: "all of which is owned, in fee, by Tycom Integrated Cable Systems, Inc."

The Board decided to hold the required public hearing at the beginning of their first August monthly meeting (August 6, 2001 at 6:30 p.m.). The BOS also decided to have the town planner handle the abutter notifications.

- Computers – The Board discussed town offices' computers with town planner Tom Morgan. Motion by R, second by I, 3-0 vote to accept the \$1,328 proposal from Kaply Consulting to upgrade three (3) workstations.

- Stipends – The Board decided to pay the deputy tax collector an hourly rate which would be the same as her hourly rate for work performed as deputy town clerk. This would be in lieu of the stipend historically budgeted.

Upon further consideration and feedback from both the electrical and plumbing inspectors, the Board decided to rescind the last meeting's vote on these stipends. Motion by I, second by R, 3-0 vote to rescind the previous vote on these stipends and set them at a yearly stipend of \$1,000 for the electrical inspector and \$2,500 for the plumbing inspector.

- Nonpublic Session – Motion by R, second by I, 3-0 roll call vote to enter into a nonpublic session to discuss a personnel matter. The Board reviewed the performance of their Assistant and discussed his completion of required duties. Motion by R, second by I, 3-0 vote to award the Executive Assistant a \$1,000 mid-year merit pay bonus effective immediately, based on his excellent performance above & beyond the basic assigned duties. Motion by R, second by I, 3-0 vote to come out of nonpublic session.

- Miscellaneous – Chairman Cross updated the Board on a variety of business matters including the Murray tax deed matter. The Board agreed to try to schedule a Selectmen's forum next month.

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- Town-wide property revaluation project –

The Board met with Mr. George Sansoucy to discuss the scheduled property revaluation. Sansoucy proposed that his company do the entire project at his hourly rates because the Town had received no responses to their RFP (Request for Proposals). Sansoucy said that a member of his staff, Charlene Genest, would be working with the town planner on updating the tax maps and she would be doing most of the field work.

Sansoucy introduced James Michaud of Century Consulting. Sansoucy recommended that the Board hire him as Monitor for the project. Mr. Michaud passed out copies of his resume and a description of the services he would perform as Project Monitor at the basic rate of \$70 per hour. Michaud explained in detail what his role would be, if hired, in the project. Further discussion took place about the project. The Board asked Mr. Michaud to send them a proposed agreement for their consideration and vote at the next meeting.

- Pease International Airport –

The Board met with Newington resident Barbara MacDonald to discuss ongoing concerns about the unacceptable noise generated by Pease aircraft.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert M. Belmore