

**Town of Newington  
Board of Selectmen  
August 23, 2001 Meeting Minutes**

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**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.

- The Board of Selectmen convened at 5:00 p.m. and deferred the start of their scheduled meeting so that they could meet with legal counsel.

The Chairman opened the meeting at approximately 6:10 p.m.

- The Board discussed town maintenance employee, Richard Rines and his recent work related injury; and the fact that workers' compensation insurance would only pay 60% of his regular salary.

Motion by R, second by I, to authorize Rines to use his accrued sick time and vacation time to supplement any workers compensation payments, the combination of benefits and insurance compensation shall be equal to his regular rate of pay and not exceed it. Discussion: this employee option was proposed in the revised personnel policy under review, but was not in the current plan. Motion passed: 3-0 vote.

- The Board discussed town planner Thomas Morgan's vacation allowance. Motion by R, second by I, 3-0 vote to reverse the previous Board vote and restore the four extra vacation days - granted as originally hired. The Board also approved Morgan's vacation days as requested.
- Belmore informed the Board that Barbara MacDonald had called asking for the date the BOS would be meeting with the PDA (Pease Development Authority) and she suggested the Selectmen read the last airport noise report closely as it contained some 51 logged calls in July of this year.
- Copies of the Draft minutes of the BOS August 20, 2001 meeting were given to each Selectmen.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Robert M. Belmore*