

**Newington Board of Selectmen  
Meeting**

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**October 17, 2005  
Newington Town Hall  
6:30 p.m.**

Approved 11/7/05

**Chairman Iocovozzi called the meeting to order at 6:35pm**

**In attendance:** Chairman Iocovozzi, Selectman Stuart, Selectman O'Reilly, Administrative Assistant Beatrice Marconi, Town Code Enforcement Officer Charlie Smart, and Assistant Fire Chief Dennis Cote-*See Attendance Sheet*

***Pledge of Allegiance***

**Public Hearing-Acceptance of Homeland Security Grant – Fire Department**

The public hearing was opened at 6:36 pm with Assistant Fire Chief Dennis Cote speaking on the Homeland Security Grant acceptance of funds in the amount of \$21,634. Dennis Cote stated in that the money would be used to purchase new equipment and described what the items were to be used for and explained how money would be saved in the future. Chairman Iocovozzi asked if anyone had any questions in regards to this. The public hearing was left open until 7:40pm at which time ***Selectman O'Reilly motioned to accept the grant monies with a second from Selectman Stuart and on a roll call vote, motion passed 3-0.***

***Selectman O'Reilly made a motion*** to accept the minutes, both Public and Non-Public of October 3, 2005. ***Motion was seconded by Selectman Stuart.*** Roll call vote, 3-0 ***motion passed.***

**Old Town Hall Renovation Update**

Administrative Assistant Beatrice Marconi gave a report on this matter. Next Monday at 6:30pm this issue will be discussed at length at a work session or Selectmen's meeting which will focus on the Old Town Hall with CMA, the engineers. Beatrice stated that CMA had concerns about the bid amount and was going to meet with that firm to see if certain areas could be re-examined. ***Selectman Stuart made a motion*** to appoint Town Code Enforcement Officer as the point person for the Old Town Hall renovations. ***Motion was seconded by Selectman O'Reilly.*** Roll call vote, 3-0 ***motion passed.***

**Copier Bids**

AA Marconi spoke of the purchasing of a new copier. Selectman O'Reilly made a suggestion that Beatrice should be the point person for this and get all of the information from all the different companies and present this to the Board.

### **New Hampshire Ice Melts Presentation**

Matthew Scott gave a presentation and described how his liquid mixture is sprayed on the town's salt and it increases the way the salt melts the ice on the road. This product was used last year by the Town of Newington and greatly liked. The price is .80 cents more than last year bringing it to a total of \$26.80 per ton spray. Chris Belmare had concerns about animal safety of the product and asked about the possibility of perhaps salt distributors taking over distribution in the future. Len Thomas and Mr. Scott will work together to co-ordinate the process.

### **Old Town Hall Moving Costs**

Laura Coleman was appointed the point person for the moving project for the Old Town Hall contents. Ms. Coleman presented the Board of Selectmen with price information from several different moving companies. *Selectman Stuart then made a motion* to select Rick Duffton's company Certified movers for the movement of designated items from the Old Town Hall to the Carriage shed. *Seconded by Selectman O'Reilly*. Roll call vote, 3-0 *motion passed*.

### **Old Playground Equipment**

Selectman Stuart spoke on this matter. She stated that the equipment in the Carriage Shed can go. Who will be doing the removal and hauling of the equipment will be decided by the Board of Selectmen at a later date as Selectman O'Reilly wanted to take a look. Selectman Stuart was going to spear head the effort to clean out the Carriage House. She will contact the Fire Dept and continue to work with the Recreation people and asked that AA Marconi contact the Conservation Commission to inform them of the overhaul at the Carriage House.

### **The Sewer Injection Line at the Police Station**

Chairman Iocovozzi stated that last winter insulation was put into the pump chamber. With all the rain and the ground water coming up a pump burnt out. Chairman Iocovozzi said that there will probably be a need for a new line and a new d- box. These are things that should be considered in the budget for next year.

### **Holiday Lighting and Decorations Competition**

Selectman Stuart addressed this issue. There will be a competition which is tentatively set to take place on Tuesday December 20, 2005 between 6 and 6:30pm. Awards will be given for several different categories. Chris Bellmare stated that the recreation committee would like to work in conjunction with the Town Hall and put together a horse and carriage ride between the hours of 6 and 7 pm. The recreation committee and Selectman Stuart will work together in putting it all together.

### **Proposal for Painting-FA Gray**

\$2,090.00 is the proposal for the painting of the hallway, back hallway at Town Hall etc from FA Gray. The storage closet, the stage and auditorium was priced at \$5,500.00. The painting was put off for a long time due to the fact that the ceilings were leaking, but now

that everything has been fixed it's time to repaint. **Selectman O'Reilly made a motion to award FA Gray the job of painting not to exceed the amount of \$2,090.00 and the work done on the auditorium and storage closet not exceed the amount of \$5,500.00. Selectman Stuart seconded the motion. Roll call vote 3-0, motion passed.**

### **Alternative #13**

Selectman O'Reilly spoke on this for Tom Morgan Planning Board. The DOT would like something in writing stating whether or not the Town of Newington wants a road going over the bridge or on the rail way tracks. **Selectman O'Reilly made a motion** for the Chairman to sign the letter in favor of Alternative #13. **Motion seconded by Selectman Stuart. Roll Call vote, 3-0, motion passed**

### **Cemetery Fence**

Cliff Abbott from the cemetery stated that the price of the chain figured out to be about a 1.27 a foot. Cliff said that this quote was much more expensive than the first. Exeter gave a quote of .98 cents. Mr. Abbott stated that the Cemetery Commission is going to be over their budget. After much discussion about how to stay close to the budget, **Selectman O'Reilly made a motion** for the Cemetery Commission to exceed their supply line (01-4195-11-610) by \$3,700.00. **Motion seconded by Selectman Stuart. Roll call vote 3-0, motion passed.** Cliff Abbott also brought up the stone wall. LuLu Pickering from the Cemetery Commission stated that the state was giving \$750.00 (grant) to do this wall. She stated that they could start this project to show that this project in the works, but Cliff would need the help of Lenny and John. Chairman Iocovozzi said that he wanted to check with Lenny to see how much work he has going on at this time before he makes a decision. After much discussion the Chairman decided that 6hrs only can be dedicated to the start of this project.

### **Khalsa Land Deal**

Linda Khalsa spoke on this matter. Linda stated that she and FAA and Pease have all discussed a price. The lawyer from Pease sent Linda a purchase and sales agreement and Linda Khalsa is not totally happy with what was given to her. Chairman Iocovozzi suggested that Linda Khalsa get an attorney to review the agreement and stated that the Town would give her names of attorney that the Town uses however, it would not be at the cost of the town. Linda was going to meet with them to discuss the town somehow getting involved in the preservation in some way.

### **Old Business**

#### **Baseball Field**

Fernandez needs a road way access to get equipment back behind the school to the field. Selectman Stuart wants to put a culvert back there to make things accessible to Fernandez. Chairman Iocovozzi stated that it couldn't be done due to wetlands issues. Chairman Iocovozzi will pull the plans for the septic to see if the land is designated wet lands and meanwhile contact Mark West to visit the site & determine what the town is required to do.

### **RG YOUNG Amendment to Airport Road Culvert Repair**

Ms. Marconi presented Chairman Iocovozzi with a purchase order from RG Young who will be installing two 24 inch culvert pipes on Airport Rd. This is an amendment to the original proposal as the engineer determined that 2 18 inch pipes could be troublesome. ***Selectman O'Reilly made a motion*** to approve. ***Motion was seconded by Selectman Stuart.*** Roll call vote 3-0, ***motion passed.***

### **Town Hall Use**

Seacoast Wind Ensemble requested the use of the Town Hall misc Tuesdays through June 2006 but was granted 3-0 for use for requested days through April.

### **Ricci Estimate Exterior Chimney Repair – Town Hall**

The discussion for this proposal will be held off until next meeting if second proposal comes in. The Rt1 proposal for the curtain estimate will also be held off until next meeting.

***Public Hearing was closed at 7:40 pm***

***Selectman O'Reilly made a motion*** to accept the Homeland Security Grant presented earlier in the Public Hearing. ***Motion seconded by Selectman Stuart.*** Roll call vote 3-0, ***motion passed.***

### **Correspondence**

A letter from Rick St. Laurent head of maintenance basically informed the Board of Selectmen of up coming projects and work schedule. Mr. St. Laurent stated that he recently cleaned the gutters of pine needles from the Langdon Library for the fifth time this year. He suggested that the gutter at Langdon Library be replaced for a bigger one. He made several suggestions as to what needs to be done.

Selectman O'Reilly brought up that it is time for employee performance reviews for Rick St. Laurent and a half year review for Beatrice Marconi and that Tom Morgan is due. It was concluded that Selectman Stuart and O'Reilly will coordinate and probably conduct.

***Selectman O'Reilly made a motion*** to adjourn. ***Seconded by Selectman Stuart.*** Roll call vote 3-0, ***motion passed.***

Being that there was no further discussion before the board the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Beatrice Marconi  
Administrative Assistant