

Board of Selectmen

Town of Newington

January 6, 1997

Present: Chairman Fred Smith, Margaret (Peggy) Lamson, Paul Kent.
Meeting opened at 6:30 p.m.

On a motion by Peggy Lamson, seconded by Paul Kent, the Board voted to go into non public session to discuss pending litigation re: property values. Fred Smith left the room citing possible conflict of interest.

Closed non public session - no action taken.

Returned to regular meeting and received, for review, the Fire Department 1997 budget proposals.

Present were Fire Engineers Guy Young, Leonard Eames and Fire Chief Larry Wahl.

Fire Chief explained that the main increase of 9.7% over the 1996 Budget was the salary account increase to reflect the complete year salaries for the new staffing of full time and paid standby/on call personnel.

Following review of the general Fire Dept. budget - it was moved by Paul Kent, seconded by Peggy Lamson, to recommend a 1997 Fire Department budget of \$392,606.

Engineers presented a request for a Capital Expenditure of \$197,000, to purchase a fire truck to replace the present Engine No. 1, purchased in 1973.

Selectmen discussed the funding of a new fire truck and noted that the Town also needs to replace the present Highway Plow truck. Board will be checking the various funding methods including bonding. Chairman Smith will get some interest rates for the Boards review.

Selectmen also agreed to visit the Fire Station to view the present vehicles and get more details of future needs.

At 7:55 p.m. the Selectmen agreed to recess this meeting and reconvene at 8:00 am Tuesday 1/7/97, to continue working on the General Government budget.

Pat Main, Sec'y

Board of Selectmen

Town of Newington

January 22, 1997

Present: Chairman Fred Smith, Peggy Lamson, Paul Kent.
Meeting was opened at 4:00 p.m.

Correspondence:

Received notice of costs and coverage from Workmen's Compensation Insurance.

Received notice from Town Clerk recommending that senior citizens be charged an extra dollar to license dogs. Presently the fees charged residents over 65 does not cover the amount to be paid to the State and the Town Clerk.

On a motion by Peggy Lamson, seconded by Paul Kent, it was voted to authorize the Town Clerk to include the additional dollar to the dog license fees charged senior citizens.

Discussed correspondence from NYNEX re: construction at Great Bay School and suggesting a meeting of all concerned. Board agreed that meeting could be beneficial.

Read correspondence re: Settlements of appraised values for Sprague, Fuel Storage/Mareld and Newington Park. Agreed to invite Attorney Ratigan to meet and explain the agreements. Sewer Commissioners will also be asked to attend.
(Meeting was scheduled for 3pm 1/28/97).

Board considered a request from the New Hampshire Municipal Association for a contribution to cover costs of representation in the utilities deregulation case. On a motion by Paul Kent, seconded by Peggy Lamson, it was voted to donate \$500. Fred Smith took no action on this matter.

Consider bill for services from Cutler & Stanfield and voted on a motion by Paul Kent, seconded by Peggy Lamson, to pay only the expense (\$1,683.19) portion of the bill at this time.

Discussed the accident at Great Bay School and the questions raised re: building permits issued. Fred Smith agreed to write letter to the school director Thomas Shaheen, spell out some of the problems and advise that no further construction should be carried out without the proper permits.

Balance of meeting was spent going over 1997 budget requests.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Board of Selectmen

Town of Newington

February 3, 1997

Present: Chairman Fred Smith, Paul Kent, Peggy Lamson

Also Present: Fire Chief Larry Wahl, Fire Engineer Guy Young,
Police Commissioner Jack O'Reilly.

Meeting was opened at 6:30 p.m.

Discussed the options that the Town has under the new Elderly Exemption Statute. Town will propose some minimums of assets that will make the exemption available to a wider range of residents. An article will be included in the March Town Meeting Warrant.

Board agreed to hold a Public Hearing on February 19th at 7 p.m. to discuss the proposal to raise \$215,000, by bonds, to fund two new vehicles. Can also discuss other proposed March Town Meeting warrant articles.

Fire Chief Larry Wahl - discussed the present Fire Lane Ordinance which has not been enforced.

Fire Chief has instructed the Mall Managers to change the striping to allow a wider lane around buildings and this modification seems to be working. He does not see the need to have any amendments to the ordinance this year but will observe and report back to the Selectmen if changes are recommended.

Chairman Smith suggested that the Planning Board could be made aware of the Fire Chiefs requirements and advise developers during site reviews.

Peggy Lamson stated that cars are parking in front of hydrants on Patterson Lane. Fire Chief advised that the police should be notified.

Reviewed the proposed changes to the town's Alarm Ordinance - Police Chief has requested that the fee structure be changed. Concluded that the Police and Fire Commissions should jointly set the fees and notify the Selectmen, in writing, of the changes.

Also recommended that the ordinance be amended by adding a paragraph which states that the Town Clerk & Board of Selectmen will be notified in writing of any changes to the Town Alarm Ordinance.

Fire Chief stated that the Budget Committee had questioned his vehicle maintenance schedule and he submitted samples of forms he uses as checklists for the various inspections. Copies will be given to Budget Committee.

Guy Young reported that the new sewer system on Fox Point had a freezing problem because of the late installation and the new grass not taking. Line will be dug up in spring and corrected.

Received corrected deed to Welsh Cove Road. Will forward to the Registry of Deeds for recording.

Received notice from State Board of Land & Tax Appeals that hearings have been scheduled on the Lulu Pickering and First National Bank' requests for abatement of property taxes. Chairman agreed to contact First National to discuss possible settlement. All three Selectmen will try to attend the hearings scheduled for Thursday March 13.

Considered and approved a request for use of the Town Hall by Cliff & Mary Spinney.

Received note from Bill & Margo White to update Board on the removal of unregistered vehicles from their property and steps being taken to remove others.

Peggy Lamson brought to the Board's attention some new provisions on the Shoreline Protection Act. Conservation Commission will be discussing.

Received letter from Bob & Teresa Downs stating that they were adamantly opposed to rezoning the residential land on Patterson Lane.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Pat Main
Sec'y.

Board of Selectmen

Town of Newington

February 10, 1997

Present: Chairman Fred Smith, Paul Kent, Peggy Lamson.

Meeting was opened at 4:00 p.m.

Attorney Scott Woodman was present to prepare for his appearance in court to represent the town in the matter of Lulu Pickering vs the Town re: the Horse Sheds roof.

Meeting was recessed between 4:10 and 4:30 while the Selectmen and Attorney Woodman visited the Horse Sheds.

A Hearing is scheduled in Superior Court on Thursday Feb 14, at 9:00 am.

Len Thomas, for Highway Agent, was present to review road conditions with Board. No major problems reported.

Len advised that he would be cutting the Pampas grass around the ditch near the school.

Town Planner Tom Morgan and the Selectmen proceeded to go over a list of specific tasks the Selectmen are recommending

re: possible modifications to the applications for various Boards; Advice to the various Boards and Committees on their responsibilities; Commence work on the Town's Capital Improvement Plan; Prepare list of potential air quality mitigation activities; List potential capital improvements on Fox Point; prepare draft of noise ordinance.

Re; Fox Point - it was noted that the 4H group had received permission for temporary use of the Fox Point cottage but it was not intended to give them exclusive use of the building. The Stone School may be the best place for their meetings.

Received call from the Administrator of the Great Bay School re: site review. Planner will advise that the Town needs an "As Built" site plan. Approval for buildings constructed without Planning Board approval should be presented to the Planning Board for approval (after the fact). Selectmen recommended that the fee for Site Plan Review be waived.

Tom Morgan responded to the list of tasks - He is prepared to commence work on the Capital Improvement List and redesigning new application forms as soon as the funds are released for purchase of computer software. Selectmen asked that

Tom discussed his request to subscribe to the Internet and create a Web Site for Newington and explained the benefits.

Selectmen agreed on the direction the Planning Office is going but cautioned that priorities should be checked. Permission to install a phone line to accommodate the service, was granted.

Tom Morgan reported that the Newington Park owners had contacted the Planning Dept. about future expansions.

Selectmen discussed the schedule of Public Hearing on the bonding issue and the modified Elderly Exemptions and agreed to postpone until February 24, at 7:00 pm. giving more time to publish notice and notify residents.

Considered and approved use of the Town Hall for a banquet for the Portsmouth Track Team.

Considered request for abatement submitted by Sea-3, Inc. Paul Kent moved to deny, seconded by Peggy Lamson and carried. Fred Smith abstained.

Next meeting will be Wednesday February 19, at 4 pm. notice will be posted.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Pat Main
Sec'y.

Board of Selectmen

Town Office

February 19, 1997

Present: Chairman Fred Smith, Paul Kent, Margaret (Peggy) Lamson.
Meeting was opened at 4 p.m.

Reviewed Warrant for 1997 Town Meeting to be signed and posted on or before 2/24/97.

Approved request to borrow tables and chairs from Old Stone School requested by Susan Smith for a surprise birthday party.

Approved use of the Town Hall requested by Dick Rines.

Approved use of the Town Hall requested by Mark & Amy Beaulier.

Considered a request from NH Partners in Education for a donation of \$1,000, placed on file without action.

Read letter from Dave McDuff offering to take care of any beaver problems. Will pass letter onto Jan Stuart, Dog Officer.

Reviewed latest billing from Attorney Cutler. Board agreed to pay the portion covering expenses to attend a Part 161 study at Pease - (\$4,621.21).

Reviewed letter from Representative Laura Pantelakos re: proposed Park & Ride facility on Route 33, Portsmouth Ave. Letter asks that Newington name a representative to the study committee.

Received letter from Board of Fire Engineers regarding information on Engine #1, which will be replaced if funding is approved at Town Meeting. Information will be sent to all the residents.

Peggy Lamson reported on Solid Waste.

On a motion by Paul Kent, seconded by Peggy Lamson and with Fred Smith abstaining, it was voted to grant the following abatements, as ordered by the Court, and refund the overcharges:

Fuel Storage \$51,346.16. Mareld Corp. \$30,974.55.

C.H. Sprague \$167,734.13. Newington Park \$3,189.93.

Board reviewed latest House Bills re: electrical utilities and changes in the Pease Development Authority. Chairman feels it is important for Selectmen to attend the hearings on these Bills.

Discussed another House Bill re: Lamprey Regional Coop to be included in a State Revolving Fund. Selectmen are in favor of this proposal.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

Peggy Lamson
Acting Secretary

Board of Selectmen

Town of Newington

February 24, 1997

Present: Chairman Fred Smith, Paul Kent, Margaret (Peggy) Lamson.
Meeting was opened at 6:30 p.m.

Chairman signed report of gasoline dispensed from Town pump - to be returned to the State Air Resources Division.

Board noted that the Newington Park request for abatement of property taxes has been settled.

Approved a vacation day on 2/28/97, requested by Tom Morgan.

Received decision from the Court in the matter Lulu Pickering vs the Town of Newington re: shingling of Horse Sheds. The Court found that the Selectmen acted within their authority and did not violate any State or Local law.

Reviewed application for abatement from NYNEX. Will advise that all taxes have been abated and assessment changed to zero, per order of Court.

Approved use of the Town Hall for a surprise birthday party requested by Cheryl Spinney.

Peggy Lamson reported that a Public Hearing was scheduled for March 5, on the matter of sediment removal from McIntyre and Paul's Brooks. Noted that the drainage ditches from the Tradeport will not be maintained by the Air Force.

Peggy Also reported that the Conservation Commission had met and approved the Bugaboo Steak House landscaping and also had reviewed application to Wetlands Board from P.Hetzler & N. Cauvet for permit to dredge and reconstruct a pond on their property in the Hodgdon Farm subdivision. The Conservation Commission also have some concerns about the drainage culvert under Newington Road near the Henley and Hetzler property and will ask the Wetlands Board to investigate.

Correspondence:

Letter from State Bureau of Vital Records granting the Town Clerk permission to install the Motor Vehicle program on the State owned computer. Funds to purchase program are included in this years budget.

Received letter from resident of River Road expressing gratitude that the Town Clerk had, on her day off, registered their vehicle which they had neglected to do within the required month.

Received the January Noise Report log from the Pease Airport Manager - placed on file.

Fred Smith reported that he had received a call from the architects for the new Hoyt's Cinema and he had advised them that with regards to the State Code on number of bathrooms, the Town cannot override the State's regulations.

Meeting was recessed at 6:50 p.m. and the Public Hearing on the proposed Bonding for Town Vehicles was opened at 7:00 p.m. Public Hearing was attended by approximately 30 residents. Chairman read notice as posted and advertised.

The following points were raised.

Article 3, asks that the Town raise by bonds, a sum of money to purchase two town vehicles. It was questioned if the article could be amended to allow the purchase of only one of the vehicles. Selectmen advised that the article could be amended at the Town Meeting.

Chairman Smith stated that if the Bonding article was defeated he will recommend that the Town approve raising an amount to be placed in the Capital Reserve Fund for future purchases. The Selectmen are in agreement that both the Town Truck and the Fire Truck need to be replaced and to replace now would save on any maintenance costs incurred while funds are being raised over a number of years. Town presently has a Capital Reserve fund for Fire Vehicles and it is anticipated that these funds will be expended for major repairs to the other fire department vehicles.

Discussed the possibility of trade-in value. Selectmen will take into consideration when negotiating purchase of new vehicles.

Barbara Hill expressed concern that the purchase of town vehicles would influence the request for funds to build an addition on the elementary school. Selectmen are of the opinion that one issue should not influence the other.

There being no further remarks pro or con the Hearing was closed at 7:20 p.m.

Board returned to regular meeting and agreed to accept questions on any of the articles on the 1997 Town Meeting Warrant.

Explained the proposed Elderly Exemption and the reasons for increasing the levels from the State regulations. The Selectmen are recommending much higher levels - mainly due to Newington's low tax rate - and to encourage more eligibility. Questions were raised regarding the eligibility and the impact on the tax rate. Chairman Smith stated that with the number anticipated the impact should be minimal. Resident Tony Smith stated that the proposal is very good and he hopes the Town will support this proposal.

Discussed the proposal to zone the Town owned land on Fox Point as a "Compact Area". This would prohibit the discharge of firearms without written permission. Previous discussions about hunting on the Point have indicated that there would be no objection to controlled hunting.

Barbara Hill was concerned that hunting on Fox Point was contrary to the town's long range plans to cultivate wildlife. Selectmen did not agree that this was contrary to long range planning.

Discussed the proposed amendment to the Town Alarm Ordinance. Tony Smith stated that he was in favor of charging permit fees as necessary and hoped people would be cautious about the quality of alarms they have installed.

Lorna Watson asked the Board if there was some way to encourage the traffic passing through town to turn right onto Little Bay Rd and keep off the dead end of Nimble Hill Rd. Selectmen stated that signs read 'dead end' and evidently not all drivers read signs.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Pat Main
Sec'y.

Board of Selectmen Town of Newington March 3, 1997

Present: Chairman Fred Smith, Paul Kent, Margaret (Peggy) Lamson.

Meeting was opened at 6:30 p.m.

Board approved use of the Stone School for police training on March 15th requested by Brian Newcomer.

Signed abatement of a portion of Sprague's '96 property taxes per court order.

Confirmed vote at a previous meeting and signed contract with Rockingham Planning to digitize the town's tax maps.

Received a number of applications for abatement of property taxes and agreed to hold a work session on Tuesday at 4 p.m. to review requests.

Received letter from Bank re: costs of leasing new vehicles. No action can be taken until after the Town Meeting.

Read letter from Bob Hill, Trustee of Trust Funds, recommending a new resident as a new trustee. No action taken until after Town Meeting.

Board signed agreement with Bernard, Johnston & Co. (former IR Lebel) to audit the 1996 records.

Peggy Lamson reported that the Conservation Commission are negotiating for a group of UNH engineering students to survey and map the town property called Flynn Pit. Will get a proposal in writing.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Pat Main
Sec'y.

Board of Selectmen

Town Office

March 10, 1997

Present: Chairman Fred Smith, Paul Kent, Margaret (Peggy) Lamson.
Meeting was opened at 4:30 p.m.

Board signed application to the State Retirement for the new full time Fire Department Member Dale Spainhower.

Approved application for Veterans Exemption for new property owner.

Approved use of the Town Hall on April 16th, requested by the State Audubon Society.

Approved 6 yards of gravel for Curtis Pickering.

Read letter from Margo White advising that the cemetery lot in her name is also to be for the use of all of her family. Copy of letter will be given to Cemetery Committee and Cemetery Supervisor.

Received notice that the owners of Newington Park had accepted a property tax settlement and withdrew their appeal to the State Board of Tax and Land Appeals.

Board agreed to invite Attorney Malcolm McNeill to their next meeting to get status report on the various Pease matters. Read copy of letter from Atty McNeill to PDA requesting that Newington be included in any discussions re: Municipal Services.

Fred Smith reported that he and Planner Tom Morgan had attended a meeting on the proposed Park & Ride in Portsmouth. Still under discussion.

New Business:

Discussed the Town Clerks fees. Noted that new IRS regulations state that the employer and employee should pay SS on any fees paid to the Clerk. Presently the Clerk deposits the fees and in turn receives a check from the Town with no withholding.

On a motion by Fred Smith, seconded by Paul Kent, it was voted to establish a salaried position of \$545 per month (average of fees collected) and fees deposited will remain in the Town General Fund.

Noted that the Board of Tax and Land Appeals is scheduled to hear appeals from Lulu Pickering and Newington Park on March 11.

Fred Smith will attend. It was voted to authorize Fred to negotiate any necessary agreements to reach a settlement.

Old Business:

Discussed the drainage problem on Hannah Lane. Agreed to consult with all the property owners and discuss the options to correct the problem.

Fred Smith stated that he would recommend some type of Purchase Order whereby departments would be required to seek prior approval before making large purchases. This will maintain a better cash flow by preventing a group of large purchases at one time. Presently each department is free, once budget is passed, to go out and expend funds and the Selectmen & Treasurer are aware only when invoice is presented for payment.
Will discuss further at the next meeting.

Fred Smith advised Tom Morgan that a Maine community had passed an Odor Ordinance and he may want to contact them for input.

Peggy Lamson reported on the March Planning Board Meeting.

Tom Morgan, as part of the Capital Improvement Program project, requested that the Selectmen survey and measure all of the Town Roads.

Tom presented, for the Selectmen's approval, a draft of application forms for the BOA and Planning Board.

Briefly noted that the appointments to the Fox Point Committee expire on April 15, and Fred Smith expressed his wishes to see the committee continued. This will be discussed further when Selectmen make appointments.

At 6:30 p.m. it was voted to recess this meeting until Tuesday 3/11 at 4 p.m. to go over the applications for property tax abatements.

Pat Main
Sec'y.

Board of Selectmen

Town of Newington

March 17, 1997

Present: Paul Kent, Margaret (Peggy) Lamson, Cosmos Iocovozzi.
Meeting opened at 6:30 p.m.

On a motion by Peggy Lamson, seconded by Cosmos Iocovozzi, it was voted to elect Paul Kent as Chairman for the ensuing year.

Attorney Malcolm McNeill was present to bring the Board up-to-date on the matters he has been handling for the Town.

1. The 161 Study: Scope of Work is being modified and reviewed by Attorney Cutler. Will take approximately 8 months to complete the study.
2. Suit to recover legal fees from the Town's suit against the FAA is still pending.
3. The gas pipeline project is going well and the two gas companies involved are committed to only one line through this area.

Attorney McNeill also discussed a proposal to retain Fred Smith as his liaison on Pease matters. It was noted that Fred has been involved for the past 6 years and his knowledge of matters pending is invaluable.

As other personnel matters and Municipal Services contract were to be discussed with Atty McNeill, it was voted on a motion by Peggy seconded by Cosmos to go into non-public session at 6:30. Closed non-public session at 6:40 p.m. with no action taken.

Fred Smith was present and reported on the applications to the BLTA for tax abatements: Fred Smith and Paul Kent had traveled to Concord for the scheduled hearing however, an agreement was reached with Lulu Pickering prior to the hearing and settlement made.

Fred also noted that a warrant article to designate Fox Point a compact area was amended at the Town Meeting to designate the town land known as the Flynn Pit as a compact area also, and he suggested that the Flynn Pit needs to be surveyed as there does not seem to be a recorded survey on file.

Peggy stated that the Conservation Commission have been working to have this land surveyed.

Chairman Kent noted that because of the election of a new Selectmen the combination to the vault will be changed - as has been the practice in the past.

Planning Board Chairman Marlon Frink and Planner Tom Morgan were present to discuss the purchase of the computer hardware and software as approved in the budget. Tom has done extensive research on what would best serve the town's needs and presented his findings in writing. Proposal was discussed including the availability of Service. Total package, including \$100, for 3 year warranty, is \$6,955.

Chairman Kent stated that availability of funds should be checked out with the Treasurer before ordering.

Board discussed the proposal to institute a method of controlling purchases and concluded on a motion by Cosmos, seconded by Peggy, to notify all departments that any purchase in excess of \$800, should be approved by the Selectmen before ordering.

Board approved the use of the Town Hall by Strafford RPC on April 3.

Approved a vacation day on March 31, requested by Tom Morgan.

Read letter from Recreation Director asking if the Selectmen would participate in the interviews for summer recreation personnel. Will advise that a Selectman can be present.

Correspondence:

Received Status report on the Coakley Landfill remedial action.

Received notice of NHMA Insurance renewals. Paul Kent noted that a few towns have left the NHMA group - his opinion is that the NHMA has proven to be the most cost effective for the Town.

Peggy reported that the Health Insurance will be offering some options and she suggests a meeting with all departments heads to discuss the options.

Discussed notice from Portsmouth Water Department that they will be billing the Town for rental of Fire Hydrants. Chairman Kent will review file before replying.

Peggy Lamson, Selectmen's Rep. to the Planning Board, asked that Paul Kent attend the next Planning Board meeting as she will be on vacation.

Chairman Kent suggested that the next meeting of the Board be held on April 7, at 6:30 p.m. In the meantime will send out a notice to all residents re: vacancies on the various boards and committees. Chairman stated that he would not recommend reappointing anyone to either the Fox Point or Recreation Committees - in his opinion the Fox Point Committee was formed as an advisory committee not a policy making commission and they have submitted their recommendations and fulfilled their mission.

Regarding the Recreation Committee - he feels that the director Roseann Clark is capable of organizing any recreational activity. Cosmos disagreed with the Chairman's suggestions stating that if people are willing to donate their time they should be given the opportunity.

In conclusion it was suggested that the Selectmen speak with the Chairmen of both the Recreation and Fox Point Committees before making any decision.

Cosmos reported that he had visited the Town Garage and talked to the personnel about their equipment needs - has requested a written list of tool requirements.

On a motion by Peggy Lamson, seconded by Cosmos Iocovozzi, the Selectmen went into non-public session at 8:15 to discuss personnel matters.

Closed non-public session at 9:00 p.m. no action taken.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Pat Main, Sec'y.

Board of Selectmen

Town of Newington

April 7, 1997

Present: Chairman Paul Kent, Margaret (Peggy) Lamson, Cosmas Iocovozzi.

Mr Bill McCaffrey and an associate from Northern Utilities was present just to touch bases and see if any problems needed to be addressed. Briefly discussed the proposal to provide natural gas to more residential properties. Selectmen stated that nothing was included in this years budget but most likely will be brought up again some time in future.

Meeting was opened at 6:30 p.m.

Planner, Tom Morgan, requested Selectmen's permission to order his computer hardware, printer and battery backup unit. On a motion by Peggy seconded by Cosmas, it was voted to authorize the expenditure contingent upon the Treasurer's that there are available funds.

Cosmas asked Tom Morgan if there would be any benefit to having all town owned computers the same make. Tom stated that most are compatible - he is not familiar with the Police computers.

Received notice from Dept. of Revenue Administration that the town's Equalized Ration is 101% - same as last year.

Board signed addition to the 1996 Resident Tax Warrant.

Read letter from City of Portsmouth which advises that the city will charge the Town rent for the fire hydrants. Records show that town purchased the hydrants at the time the water lines was installed. Chairman Kent will be contacting the city.

Read letter from Judy Poulin which requests the use of the cottage on Fox Point for the 4H group. Some of the uses are meetings and overnight camping. Group would also like to have a small garden. On a motion by Peggy, seconded by Cosmas, it was voted to authorize the use from April 25 to November 1, 1997.

Received request from the Rockingham Planning Comms. for use of the Town Hall for a meeting on April 24. Approved on a motion by Peggy, seconded by Cosmas.

Read letter from Mark Phillips requesting that Hodgdon Farm Rd be sprayed for mosquitos. Copy will be forwarded to Mike Morrison.

Read letter from a Mr. Flanigan, Rye NH, who asks for permission to use a metal detector behind the Old Town Hall. Selectmen agreed they would not object but suggested that the Historic District Commission should be consulted before giving permit.

Board approved the use of the Town Hall by the Celiac Spru group for two pot luck suppers - requested by Doug Reed.

Read letter from Rec Director requesting use of the Town Hall for the excersise classes while the school is constructing the addition. Use approved if available.

Approved use of the Town Hall on 4/19 requested by Ralph Estes, Little Bay Rd.

Approved use of the Town Hall on 4/27 requested by Barbara Hart

Signed Game Machine permit for Chuck E Cheese's. Fee \$1,100.

Read letter from Police Dept. Police Commission are requesting that the Selectmen provide them with a maintenance contract for the HVAC system in the police building. Will ask the Chief to provide some estimates.

Read letter from Mosquito Control Supervisor advising what the larvaciding and spraying schedules will be and the type of chemicals to be used.

Doug Reed introduced the new Minister and asked if there was some way he could apply for a mooring off Fox Point and be allowed access to the point.

Doug noted that the minister is not technically a resident but was offered residence in town but declined as he has a home in another town.

On a motion by Peggy, seconded by Cosmas, it was voted to issue the Rev Fyler a resident sticker and advise him in writing that it would be valid only while he is employed by the Congregational Ministry in Newington. It was noted that the location of the moorings can only be obtained from the Harbor Master.

Received notice of the Kindergarten Finance plan-placed on file.

Chairman reported that a plan for the interstate gas line shows a lateral in Newington to the Public Service Co property. This is being checked for size and route.

Read copy of letter from Dave & Kris Low to the School Board which voices their concern about how vulnerable the children are at the school and suggesting that the school grounds be fenced in.

Approved a vacation schedule for Dick Rines as presented.

Discussed the need for a Town representative to the Pease Noise Study Committee. Cosmas feels the position should be filled by a Selectman whose position would carry more weight. Will work on this along with other appointments.

Received notice of a workshop to discuss the management of sludge/biosolids and there use. Peggy Lamson stated that she does not agree with the use of biosolids.

Board of Selectmen

Town of Newington

April 14, 1997

Present: Chairman Paul Kent, Margaret (Peggy) Lamson, Cosmas Iocovozzi.

Meeting was opened at 4:00 p.m.

Considered the following requests for use of Town Hall:
Use of the Picnic Grove by the Ret. Sgts. 7/26/97
Use of the Town Hall requested by Dick Rines on 5/9/97
Approved on a motion by Peggy Lamson, seconded by Cos. Iocovozzi.

Discussed the request of a non-resident, Mr Flanigan, to metal detect on Fox Point. On a motion by Peggy Lamson, seconded by Cos Iocovozzi, it was voted to approve and give letter of identification. Mr Flanigan has agreed to turn over to the Town anything of significance.

Proceeded with the appointments to the various boards and committees:

Conservation Commission - Dorothy Watson to 2000.

Recreation Committee - will consult with the Chairman.

Cosmas agreed to serve as Selectmen's Rep on the Recreation Committee.

Barbara Hill's name will be given to Planning Board for consideration as an alternate member.

Peggy agreed to serve as the Selectmen's Rep to the Planning Board.

Board of Adjustment - Mathew Morton and Thomas Redden to 2000.

Historic District Commission - Margherita Mazeau to 2000.

Highway Safety Committee - John Stimson, Larry Wahl, Donald Beals, Leonard Eames, Phillip Toomire, William White, Paul Kent. to 1998.

Trustee of Trust Funds - Appointed Paul Beswick on a motion by Peggy Lamson, seconded by Cosmas Iocovozzi.

Deputy Tax Collector - Pat Main to 1998.

Deputy Town Clerk - consult with Town Clerk.

Deputy Treasurer - presently Jack Mazeau and Norman Myers.

Budget Committee - Cosmas Iocovozzi will represent the Selectmen.

Lamprey Cooperative - Paul Kent will represent the Town.

Route 16 Corridor Study - Fred Smith and Chris Cross. Notify Rockingham Planning Commission.

Town Liaison to the Pease Part 161 Study Committee - Paul Kent moved to appoint Fred Smith to continue in this position, Peggy Lamson seconded the motion for discussion.

Cosmas opposed stating that in his opinion a Selectman should represent the town.

The motion failed Kent voted for Iocovozzi opposed Lamson abstained.

Paul Kent moved to appoint Fred Smith as the town's liaison to the Part 161 Study Committee along with Attorney Malcolm McNeill until April 30, 1998. Motion was seconded by Cosmas Iocovozzi, and voted unanimously.

Cosmas Iocovozzi stated that he would like the Selectmen and Planning Board to get regular reports from our representatives.

Board approved a vacation day on April 30, requested by Tom Morgan.

Planner Tom Morgan brought to the Board's attention that the Planning Board will be reviewing the plans, along with Portsmouth, for the proposed office building at the Pease Tradeport.

Tom Morgan also advised that the Planning Board had voted to recommend adoption of updated BOCA Codes. This action now requires the approval of the Selectmen - agreed to discuss at the next meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Pat Main
Sec'y.

Board of Selectmen

Town Of Newington

April 21, 1997

Present: Chairman Paul Kent, Margaret (Peggy) Lamson, Cosmas Iocovozzi.

Meeting was opened at 6:30 p.m.

Present was Mr Tracy, representing Sea-3, who enquired about the status of the Sea-3, request for abatement of '96 property taxes. Chair advised that no action taken to date. Selectmen will reconvene this meeting on Tuesday 4/22, to consider pending requests for abatement on file.

David Low, representing the Cemetery Supervisor, was present to ask if the Selectmen would allow the cemetery groundskeeper to have a key to the town gas pump - this would allow the use of town gas and amount charged directly to the cemetery budget . On a motion made by Cosmas seconded by Peggy, it was voted to issue a key.

Barbara Hill was present to report on a meeting of the Rockingham Planning Commission which she and Chris Cross had attended. Mrs Hill is very concerned about the route the gas line is taking and recommended that all the town departments concerned should meet to discuss. Nancy Muller of the State HDC has been notified and has advised that the State Department of Historic Resources is a declared intervenor in the proposed gas line project and will be reviewing any possible impact on historic resources.

Selectmen advised Mrs Hill that the route of the pipeline will not pass through residential land on Patterson Lane and the route through the Town Forest should only disturb a minimal amount of land and is a far better route than originally proposed through the Frink and Pickering properties on Little Bay Road.

In conclusion it was agreed to meet on May 1, at 4 p.m. to discuss the town's position. Attorney Malcolm McNeill will be invited to attend. A copy of a letter written by Chris Cross, voicing his concerns about the gas line review process will be given to Attorney McNeill. Chris's letter also offers to take the position of the town's representative on the Route 16 Corridor Study.

Jeanne Haskins was present and asked for the Selectmen's approval to have a bulletin board installed inside the meeting house. Selectmen have no objection - asked that the style be in keeping with building.

Mrs Haskins also asked about the letter from Mr & Mrs David Low which voiced their concerns about student safety and requested that the School Board look into fencing the school grounds. The School Board wishes to know if the Selectmen would need to take any action on this as the land is town owned. The Selectmen stated that they would most likely go along with the School Boards recommendation. It was noted that the students, while outdoors on school grounds, are constantly monitored.

Fred Smith was present to discuss his appointment as the town's representative to the part 161 study and liaison to the PDA for which he had volunteered some time ago - he suggested that if he could not represent the town in all phases and issues regarding the Pease development, as he has for the past 6 years, he would have to decline - as every issue is interrelated and cannot not be separated. He also stated it appears obvious that he does not have the full support of the Selectmen for his position as liaison but recommended that it should be a Selectman or someone that answers directly to the Selectmen and with the full support of the Board. Also stated that without someone of knowledge attending the PDA meetings, the town would not be in the position it is today regarding aircraft noise and agreements made with the FAA.

Cosmas stated that he would like more time to check all the facts before making a decision, Peggy agreed to give him the necessary time, Paul was for appointing Fred Smith stating that he is the only resident with the right knowledge - Paul also offered to serve as the alternate liaison if it would move things along as the town should not be left without some contact with the PDA and thereby lose credibility.

Fred Smith stated that an alternate was not necessary, that one person, along with Attorney McNeill, is all that is required, and if the Board could not come to an agreement this evening, he would withdraw his offer to volunteer for the position.

Chris Cross spoke in favor of having an alternate person as liaison for the town to provide overlap - that one person should not have all the knowledge.

Cosmas continued to ask for more time to review the facts, including discussion with Attorney McNeill, to determine what the need is and function of, a Liaison to the PDA.

No action taken.

Board recessed for 5 minutes.

Board considered a request from the Building Inspector to purchase some current BOCA Code books - total \$318.00. Request was approved on a motion by Peggy, seconded by Paul and carried.

Board approved use of the Town Hall on May 10, requested by Robert Greenier.

Board approved the use of the Picnic Grove on August 9, requested by Tom Hourihan.

Read letter from State Department of Corrections offering manpower for various cleanup jobs. There is a possibility that the town could use the help - will check with the different departments.

Reviewed purchase order for police radio equipment - total \$4,300. Approved order subject to availability of funds. Will check with Treasurer.

Read letter from Fox Point tenants asking that the area of the new septic system be landscaped. Will ask Bob Young, who built the system, to finish the groundwork.

Following the action of the Planning Board to adopt updated codes, as requested by Fire Chief, the Selectmen voted unanimously on a motion by Peggy Lamson, seconded by Cosmas Iocovozzi, to adopt the following: 1994 Life Safety Code; 1996 National Electrical Code; and the 1996 National BOCA Building Code and by reference, the 1993 Plumbing Code.

Discussed the position of Deputy Tax Collector, no decision to date.

Board agreed to meet with George Fletcher on Tuesday April 22, to go over the specs. for the new highway truck.

Discussed the drainage problems on Hannah Lane and will invite the residents concerned to a meet with the Selectmen to work out corrective measures that need to be taken.

Peggy reminded the Board that the Town Planner is waiting for the Selectmen's information for the Capital Improvement program.

Chris Cross spoke about the violations of the site plan agreement on the Home Quarters site and submitted photographs to substantiate the problems. The Planning Board is asking that the Selectmen have the violations corrected by taking legal action if necessary. Board agreed to take action.

Meeting was recessed at 9:30 p.m. to reconvene on 4/22 at 3:30 p.m.

Pat Main, Sec'y.

Board of Selectmen

Town of Newington

April 22, 1997

The meeting of April 21, reconvened this date at 3:30 p.m.
All Present.

Considered the following requests for abatement of property taxes:
Representing Sea-3, Mr Tracy, Marketing V.P. Board reviewed
request and took no action requiring further research.

Noted that the application for abatement from First National Bank
was settled.

Reviewed request from GSM Realty Trust (former Mobil) - took no
action - will confer with George Sansoucy.

Considered request for abatement from Fox Run and Crossings at Fox
Run (former Newington Mall) and voted unanimously on a motion by
Paul Kent, seconded by Cosmas Iocovozzi, to deny request.

Considered request for abatement from Winport Realty (former
Flagstones) and voted unanimously on a motion by Paul Kent,
seconded by Peggy Lamson, to deny request.

Considered request for abatement from Country Curtains and voted
unanimously on a motion by Cosmas Iocovozzi, seconded by Paul Kent,
to deny the request.

Board agreed to meet with appraiser George Sansoucy on Monday May
5, at 4:30 p.m.

At 4:30 p.m. the Selectmen and Road Agent met with George Fletcher
to go over the specs. for the proposed highway truck.
Specifications were reviewed line by line including vertical stack
vs horizontal stack ,wiring for CB radio and reverse warning horn.
Color will be red. Engine will be diesel and will have automatic
transmission and 50 gallon gas tank.
Mr Fletcher will update costs and submit to Selectmen.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

Peggy Lamson
Acting Sec'y.

Board of Selectmen

Town of Newington

April 28, 1997

Present: Chairman Paul Kent and Cosmas Iocovozzi.
Met at 4:00 p.m.

This meeting arranged to finalize the order for purchase of a new highway truck.

Specifications were reviewed and sales agreement signed with LibertyInternational Trucks , Manchester NH, for a total cost of \$74,458.00 (Body & Components).

Board also reviewed and approved an expenditure manifest totaling \$ 26,025.61.

Pat Main
Sec'y.

Board of Selectmen

Town of Newington

May 5, 1997

Present: Chairman Paul Kent, Margaret (Peggy) Lamson, Cosmas Iocovozzi.

Meeting opened at 6:30 p.m.

Alan Smith who takes hay from fields on Fox Point, was present to discuss the need to replace a culvert at the entrance to one of the fields. Selectmen advised that the Highway Agent will be replacing the culvert this year.

Mr Smith also discussed a federal program which compensates for setting aside, for conservation, farm land that parallels the shore. A plan showing two sections of land on Fox Point would be eligible for inclusion in the program.

Peggy moved to engage in the Conservation Reserve program, approximately 8 acres of town land on Fox Point. Motion was seconded by Cosmas and carried unanimously.

Approved the following uses of the Town Hall:

5/17 Mary Spinney; 5/23 Wendy Sweeney; 6/1 Rachel Merchant.

Considered request from Piscataqua River Coop. for access from Fox Point to conduct an equipment deployment exercise on the river on May 8. Permit granted on a motion by Peggy, seconded by Cosmas.

On a motion by Peggy, seconded by Cosmas, it was voted to grant the Great Bay Watch, permit to collect water samples off Fox Point - requested by Barbara Hill.

Discussed the drainage problem on Hannah Lane and agreed to invite the Maldini's, Cooks and Blonigan's to meet with the Board on Monday May 12, at 4:30 to work on the solution.

Read request from Dover Little League for permit to hold tag day at the malls. Board has no objection - request should be submitted to Mall management.

Considered list of proposed expenditures from Police Department and approved, contingent upon available funds, the amount of \$3,995.

Board gave John Frink permit to take broken tree limb on Fox Point for his personal use.

John Frink advised that a part of the slate roof on the Old Stone School needs replacing also, flashing around chimney and exterior doors need replacing. Noted that these jobs are on list for this year.

Received check from Wildlife in the amount of \$71,737, in lieu of taxes.

Discussed the method of funding the new trucks. Local Bank has offered a good interest rate. To date, Bond Bank has not quoted a rate. No action taken.

Discussed appointments to Recreation Committee and Fox Point Committee. Cosmas agreed to get list of recreation committee members at their next meeting on May 6.

On a motion by Cosmas, seconded by Peggy, it was voted to appoint the following to the Fox Point Committee - terms to expire April 30, 1998: Marlon Frink, Fred Smith, Jan Stuart, Laura Coleman, Martha St Amand, Jim Leger, John Frink, Will Gilbert and Camille Upson.

Read letter from Luanne O'Reilly, requesting that 'No Parking' signs be placed at the turn-around at the Pease end of Fox Point Road. Board agreed to adopt a temporary ordinance prohibiting parking at the entrance to the bike path at the end of Fox Point Road. Ordinance will be drafted for Boards signatures.

Also discussed signs at same location to prohibit motorized vehicles entering bike path. Will consult with Police Chief to be sure order can be enforced.

Board signed renewal of Game Machine Permit for Happy Wheels.

Read letter from Manager of McDonalds re their reader board sign. Will pass to Tom Morgan for necessary action.

Read quote from Pike Industries for completion of River Road paving. Cosmas has some questions. Also, questioned if the town has authority to remove the rails crossing River Road near Custom Pools. File will be reviewed. Board agreed to accept quote subject to Cosmas getting those few items clarified.

Discussed an order from Attorney Ahlgren for authority to withdraw funds for Coakley cleanup. Chairman Kent will discuss with Attorney Ahlgren before signing.

Discussed the need to get facts for the Capital Improvements Program and agreed to take a tour of town land & buildings next Monday following meeting with residents of Hannah Lane.

Briefly discussed the restoration of the land on Fox Point where new septic system was installed including area where test pits made. Considered purchasing a load of loam and have Mr Busque ~~do~~ spread it.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

5/5/97

May 13,1997

Newington Board of Selectmen on May 12,1997 with residents of Hannah Lane.
re: Drainage problem onto Blonigan property.

Those in attendance as follows Mr.@Mrs. Blonigan, Russ Cooke, Nato Malidini
along with Hwy. Agent Don Beals.

Chairman Kent called the meeting together at 4:30 P.M. Mr. Kent stated to the residents that the B.O.S. would like to have the Hwy.Agent install a new culvert under the Maldini property driveway. Discussion held and the property owners felt this would be in the best interest for the drainage problem that affects Blonigan property. Chairman Kent stated worked would only affect the town's easement. Don Beals Hwy. Agent and Coz Iocovvi Selectman, would get a price work up from C. Thompson so project could get started soon. Selectmen would have price quote before their June 2,1997.

Meeting adjourned at 5:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Peggy Lamson,acting secretary

Board of Selectmen

Town of Newington

May 19, 1997

Present: Chairman Paul Kent, Margaret (Peggy) Lamson, Cosmas Iocovozzi.

Meeting was opened at 6:35 p.m.

Notice of appointments to the Fox Point and Recreation Committees were signed by full board. Terms expire April 30, 1998.

Read letters drafted by Chris Cross. One regarding some concerns on the proposed gas line and the other regarding possible site plan violations by Home Quarters.

Board agreed to have Attorney Donahue review the letter to Home Quarters before being signed by the Selectmen and forwarded to HQ. The comments on the proposed gas line will be further reviewed before being submitted to the various state and federal commissions handling the project.

Board also received list of comments on the proposed gas line from the Town Historic District Commission Chairman Barbara Hill.

Police Chief John Stimson was present to enquire about his request to expend funds for the Emergency Response Trailer being charged to grants received from the State Emergency Management last year. Board advised that expenditures had been authorized.

Chief also discussed the plans to finish the second floor at the Police Station advising that costs are coming in somewhat higher than anticipated (mainly in the heating, air conditioning units). Chief suggests doing as much as possible this year and appropriating the balance in 1998. There is a possibility, however, that some revenue could come from the State Emergency Management Fund - Chief will pursue. Selectmen requested the costs in writing. Re: the Town's Emergency Management, the Chief has some concerns about the reporting and response. It was agreed to call a meeting of the Emergency Management Director, the Fire Chief, the Police Chief and Selectmen, to discuss these concerns and determine what direction this office should take.

Chief Stimson reported that the Newington Fire Department personnel outdid themselves during a recent boating accident on the Bay.

Received notice of a meeting of the Route 16 Corridor Study Committee. Chris Cross represents the Town. Fred Smith declined appointment leaving a vacancy - will discuss replacement with Chris.

Received letter from a school child in Texas requesting recipe enjoyed by New England children for inclusion in a cook book. Letter will be sent to Mr Michaels and hopefully, our elementary school children will respond.

Approved 6 yards of gravel requested by Evelyn Thomas.

On a motion by Peggy, seconded by Cos, it was voted unanimously to appoint Will Gilbert as Deputy Treasurer.

On a motion by Cos, seconded by Paul, it was voted to appoint Peggy Lamson as Health Officer for the ensuing year.

Received Certificate of Completion by Fred Smith of an Assessing Course given in Concord by the State Dept. of Revenue Admin.

Discussed the need to review items to be included in the Capital Improvements Program presently being written and agreed to meet on Monday (Memorial Day) at 9:00 a.m.

Cos reported that he had met with a representative of Pike Industries to discuss the River Road project and it was agreed that \$7000, for grading would be set aside and only used if it became necessary. Cos questions if paving needs to be built up as high as contract calls for. A letter specifying this fact will be given to Pike.

Board approved request by the Audubon Society to observe the Terns nesting off Fox Point.

Discussed the proposal to correct the drainage on Hannah Lane. Cos will get plan and cost in writing and discuss with residents before proceeding.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

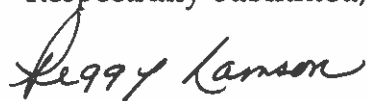
Pat Main, Sec'y.

May 26, 1997

Newington Board of Selectmen met with Town Planner Tom Morgan to begin work the Capitol Improvements to the Road Network. The Board met at 9:00A.M. and drove with Mr. Morgan on all roads owned by the Town of Newington. The Board viewed aspects of road conditions from culverts to shoulders.

Meeting adjourned at 12:00P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Peggy Lamson".

Peggy Lamson, acting secretary

May 28, 1997

Newington Board of Selectmen met on May 28, 1997 at 4:45P.M. to review Bonding material for the proposed Vechiles approved at the March 15, 1997 Annual Town Meeting.

Moved by Lamson seconded by Coz Ioccovi to have Chairman Kent sign agreement with the New Hampshire Municipal Bond Bank. Motion carried in the affirmative. Meeting adjourned at 5:15 P.M.

Next regular meeting os the Board of Selectmen will be held on June 2,1997 at 6:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Peggy Lamson".

Peggy Lamson, acting secretary

Board of Selectmen

Town of Newington

June 2, 1997

Present: Chairman Paul Kent, Peggy Lamson, Cosmas Iocovozzi.
Meeting opened at 6:30 p.m.

Minutes of regular meetings held April 7, April 21/22, May 5, and May 19, and Work sessions held April 14, May 12, 21, 26 and 28th, were accepted on a motion by Peggy seconded by Cos.

Barbara Hill was present and stated that the Historic District Commission would like to be included in any discussions regarding plans for the Historic District that may be included in the Capital Improvement Program presently being formulated. Selectmen stated that the commission would be consulted. Mrs Hill also stated that the lawns at the Library and Old Parsonage are on poor shape. Selectmen are aware of the problem and have plans for custodians to place top soil and reseed both areas.

Board signed 1997 Resident Tax Warrant - total \$4,980.

Approved the use of the Picnic Grove by the Portsmouth High Baseball Boosters.

Approved gravel for: Lydia Frink, Nimble Hill Road and Paul Flanders, Airport Road.

Signed notice of appointment as Trustee of Trust Funds for Paul Beswick.

Renewed Game Machine permit for Dream Machine, Fox Run Mall.

Approved vacation schedule for Tom Morgan (6 days).

Peggy reported that she had consulted the NHMA re: the Town Secretary's position and has scheduled a meeting for June 12 at 9 a.m.

Board received copy of Highway Departments proposed Capital Improvements Program submitted by Rd Agent Don Beals.

Read notice of inspection of the McIntyre Rd bridge by State DOT. Signs are recommended - Don Beals will be asked to place the signs.

Cos gave report on the Recreation Committee: Old Home Day is planned for July 13. Committee is asking to have work done on the basketball courts at both the school and South Newington. Cos will look into needed paving and Roseann Clark will be asked to get some costs of poles, hoops and nets. Custodians will be asked to install the practice board at the tennis court which has been stored at the Carriage House.

Cos also reported on the proposed drainage work on Hannah Lane. A proposal is in the works. Board agreed that if proposal is acceptable by the residents involved, Cos could give the order to proceed with the work.

Peggy reported that she had attended a public hearing in Wells Maine, on the proposed gas line and everything, so far, seems too be on track. The Historic District Commission was assured that the project will meet all of their requirements re: the Town Forest.

Peggy reported that the driveway and steps at the Old Stone School need attention. Board will look into the best method of repair.

Board discussed plans to continue with their work on the proposed Capital Improvements program and scheduled an inspection of the Town buildings on Wednesday June 11 at 4:30 p.m.

Pat Main
Sec'y.

Board of Selectmen

Town of Newington

June 16, 1997

Present: Chairman Paul Kent and Cosmas Iocovozzi.

Absent: Peggy Lamson

Meeting was opened at 6:30 p.m.

Correspondence:

Letter from Sprague Energy describing some of the changes at their facilities since acquiring additional from Fuel Storage Corp.

Copy of minutes of Police Commissioners meeting of 5/12/97.

Copy of minutes of Pease Development meeting held 4/3/97.
All placed on file.

Received request from Recreation Director for an outside water source at the Old Stone School - will review.

Received notice that cost of payroll processing through ADP will be increasing effective July 1.

Received notice that there will be a slight decrease in the cost of the town's Property Liability insurance with the NHMA Insurance trust.

Board signed abatements of '95 & '96 resident taxes.

Board approved use of the town hall requested by:
Douglas Reed for 9/18/97 - pot luck supper.
Laura Coleman for 6/21/97 - baby shower.

Discussed the possibility of purchasing gasoline from Sprague and eliminating the need for the town's in-ground gas tank. Will check cost and availability.

Received notice from Tax Collector that a parcel of land will be deeded to the town for non-payment of 1994 taxes.

Cosmas reported on the meeting with the Recreation Committee and the cost of replacing the basketball equipment at the elementary school and south Newington - no action taken at this time.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Pat Mann
Sec'y.

Present: Paul Kent and Peggy Lamson

Also Present: Cameron Wake (SABR), Fred Smith, Cliff Sinnott (RPC), David Ahrnet (RPC), and Tom Morgan

Commencement: The meeting opened at 4:00 PM.

Seacoast Area Bike Routes: Cameron Wake provided background information on SABR's proposal to establish a bike route running from Portsmouth thru Newington to Dover & Durham. Presently, SABR is trying to raise \$30,000 to match federal and municipal grants for the construction of a bicycle/pedestrian bridge over the Spaulding Turnpike just north of the traffic circle.

Lamson moved to hold a public hearing on July 21 at 6:30 PM to consider contributing \$10,000 from Newington's air quality mitigation fund. Kent seconded the motion. All in favor. Morgan will post a notice.

Municipal Tax Maps: Cliff Sinnott and David Ahrnet of the Rockingham Planning Commission gave a progress report on the digitization of the Town's tax maps. They are about half way through. Sinnott asked if the Town's assessing program is compatible with Geographical Information System software. Morgan recalled the Trio salesman stating that it is compatible. Sinnott stated that the digitization should be complete by August 15.

T. Morgan
Acting Sec'y

Board of Selectmen Meeting

July 7, 1997

Chair Kent opened the meeting at 6:40 P.M. with full Board present.

In attendance Don Beals Hwy Agent, Jan Stuart, Luanne O'Reilly, Patti Borkland and Chris Cross. Also in attendance Reporter Lydia Frink.

Chair Kent recognized those in the audience first as follows;

Luanne O'Reilly and Patti Borkland requested from the Board of Selectmen the use of the function room every Monday nite Second Monday in Sept. 1997. They explained to the Board that they are forming a Seacoast Community Chamber Orchestra. At present there are three members of the Orchestra who are Newington residents. After much discussion the Board stated they had no problem with the Chamber practicing in the function room but could not guarantee the space for every Monday Nite. The Board directed Luanne O'Reilly to check with Pat Main each week to see if space is available in the function room.

Chair called for a vote--Moved by Co~~g~~ seconded by Lamson to allow the newly formed Seacoast Comm. Chamber Orchestra the use of Town hall function room as agreed. Motion carried in the affirmative.

Luanne O'Reilly representing the Portsmouth H.S. Football boosters requested a donation from the Town of Newington in the amount of \$25.00. Last year the town donated the same amount. We have several students from Newington on the team.

Moved by Kent seconded by Co~~g~~ to donate \$25.00 to the Portsmouth H.S. boosters club. Motion carried in the affirmative.

Luanne also questioned if it would be a problem if the team tagged in Newington. Board of Selectmen stated no problem. We do not require a permit. Chairman Kent asked where they would tag. LuAnne stated it will be held at Home Quarters.

Jan Stuart of Fox Point Rd. reported to the Board of Selectmen of the recent problems at Fox Point and the Boat Landing. Non-Residents parking and using the Town's Facilities. Plus the Vandalism. Much discussion was held. Moved by ~~Co~~g~~~~ ^{CoS Inavatt} seconded by Kent that non-resident family members can only Fox Point with permission of the Board of Selectmen with date of use ie fishing, hiking or just enjoying the beauty of the area. Copy of permission to the Police Dept. Motion carried in the affirmative. Peggy Lamson will contact Chief Stimson to review the Boards Policy.

Chris Cross questioned neighborhood assessment of Fox Point Road in the area of the Cooley and Bouchard Property. Why was the land 50% higher than residential property in the area with more land. Chairman Kent will contact Charlene of the George Sancoucy Office who did the update.

Chris gave an update re: Pipeline. He stated there would be a Meeting with Portland Natural Gas on July 15, 1997 in Exeter at the R.P.C. office. Chris would like if members from the B.O.S. would attend. He also wants the Board to know that he supports the Bike Path but questions the dollar amount the Sabra Bike Group are requesting from the town. Chairman Kent stated there would be a Public Hearing on July 21, 1997 at 6:30P.M. at the Town Hall.

REQUESTS:

John Frink employee, requested Vacation time as follows--July 14th to July 18th and July 28th to Aug.1, 1997.

Tom Morgan Town Planner request Vacation time as follows July 16, 17 and 18 1997.

Nativity Lutheran Church use of the Town Hall Function on August 30, 1997.
Members will be having a Going Away Dinner for Pastor Snyder.

On a move by Lamson seconded by Cog Iocovoch to approve the above requests.
Motion carried in the affirmative.

Board of Selectmen approved Resident Tax Warrant as presented by the Tax Collector.
Moved by Lamson seconded by Kent to approve Tax Warrant in the \$1,291,200.17.
Motion carried in the affirmative.

Board of Selectmen received a Noise Complaint from a Dover Point Resident re: Noise from Sprague Oil unloading of Gypsum Rock. Peggy Lamson will send a letter to Frank Day of Sprague to rectify the Noise Situation.

Chair Kent announced that Public Hearing re; request for Money for completion of Bike Path will be held On July 21, 1997 at 6:30 P.M. Rep to the Recreation Comm Cog Iocovoch announced that new Basketball hoops, backboards will be ordered. 10/00/97

Chair Kent announced to the Board that a meeting at Coakley Landfill with Congressman Sununu on August 1, 1997 in North Hampton.

Chairman Kent reviewed Communications with the Board.
Request from Recreation for an outside water fountain at the Old Stone School.
Peggy Lamson will contact Hart Plumbing to see if it feasible for the connection. Plus give cost.
Board reviewed Specs for Newington Combination Pumpers as approved at March 1997 Town Meeting. All Bids will be submitted to the Board of Fire Engineers.

Chairman Kent reviewed recent communications from Atty. John Alhgren re: Coakley Landfill.

P.S.N.H. wrote to the B.O.S. that they would like to meet with the Board re: Deregulation.

Chair Kent signed the ^{PROPOSAL} Specs as presented by C.R. Thompson Trucking re: Hannah Lane Project.

B.O.S. discussed Plumbing Inspections. Peggy Lamson will contact R. Hart to see if Mr. Hart would be interested in the position Call ^{Basis} ~~Bases~~ as Newington's Plumbing Inspector. Mr. Hart is a licensed Plumber in the state of New Hampshire. Peggy Lamson will report to the Board.

Newington Board of Selectmen will not meet on July 14, 1997 unless call of the Chair.

Respectfully Submitted,

Peggy Lamson
Peggy Lamson

Meeting Adjourned at 9:30 P.M.

Board of Selectmen's Meeting July 21,1997

Chairman Kent opened the Board Meeting at 6:30P.M. On a motion by Peggy Lamson to reconvene the Board Meeting after the Public Hearing to consider contribution from Air Quality Mitigation fund towards the construction of a bicycle/pedestrian bridge over the Spaulding Turnpike in Portsmouth. seconded by Cos. Motion carried in the affirmative.

Chairman Kent opened the Public Hearing at 6:35 P.M. Lamson made notice to those in attendance at the Public Hearing that this hearing was Printed in the Portsmouth Herald and Posted at the Town Hall and South Newington Board.

In attendance as follows Chris Cross, Barb Hill Don Beals Hwy Agent, Marlon Frink, Lydia Frink reporter Fosters and Cameron Wake, president of Sabr.

Chairman Kent asked if there was anyone from the audience who wished to address the Board. Chris Cross spoke in favor of the Bike Path but felt the Board should look at Public Safety re: Nimble Hill Rd and Fox Point Rd. Plus the width of Nimble Hill Rd. Chris felt not as much money should be contributed to this project until Safety Issue is addressed or improvement to Nimble Hill and Fox Point intersection with the Blinding Hill that approaches the Intersection. Much discussion was held. Peggy Lamson asked Cameron where the dollars have come from for the project. He stated the construction of the route will cost \$600,000 but only five percent of that money still needs to be raised. Eighty per cent of the project is being funded by the Federal Government by way of the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act. Ten percent of the money needed has been given by Pease International Tradeport and five percent has been donated by Portsmouth. The other 5% is being raised by Sabr through fund raising. \$ 5,000.00 was donated by Portsmouth Rotary. Seacoast Area Bicycle Route was started five years ago. Cameron Wake agreed with Chris Cross in regards to safety and stated he would have SABR give input to the Safety of Nimble Hill Rd. Chairman Kent asked questions in regard to the General Sullivan Bridge if it becomes a feeder road as N.H. D.O.T. stated several years ago.

Cameron stated that SABR would lobby for a Bike Bridge. Chris Cross told the Board that he totally agrees with the concept but for the Board of Selectmen to look at the Picture of Safety.

Chairman Kent close the Public Hearing at 6:58 P.M.

Board of Selectmen reopened their meeting at 6:59P.M. with Chair Kent presiding and all board members present.

Chris Cross Planning Board Member and Town Rep to the Rockingham Planning Commission addressed the B.O.S. re: Meeting at R.P.C. and members of P.N.G.T.S.

on July 15, 1997. Barb Hill also a member of R.P.C. and Planning Bd. Alternate was present. Chris and Barb gave an overview as to the progress of the pipeline and the concerns of RPC and of the town. The Planners had many concerns of END-OF_Runway safety concerns. The company stated that all burial depths, pipe thickness, shutoff valve spacing , inspection etc would only meet the "Class of Service rating requirements.. Barb Hill stated the Company will observe a 30' corridor through the forest. Much discussion was held in reference to the Service Rd. through Simplex and the Newington Lateral.

Chris Cross will work with Don Beals Hwy Agent. Chris will send a memo to Jerry Dexter of the P.D.A. Engineering Dept at the Tradeport re: End of Runway Safety Concerns. Chris will also send a report to the Town's Rep Tony Smith of the P.D.A.

Chairman M. Frink of the Fox Point Committee reviewed with the Board of Selectmen the Sites Specifics of Fox Point:

1. October Beach Clean-Up
2. Plant Vegetation ie Flowers Beautification
3. Sept. 20, 1997 Brush Clean-Up
4. Grade Road to the Boat Landing
5. Grade area near Turn around to the Beach
6. Place a Boulder by the Bridge embankment. Paul Kent questioned if this would impede boat launching. Discussion held. Fox Point Com. would like sign carved in the boulder stating the historical significance of the area. Cos will check out for the best product for grading. Discussion re: signs Peggy Lamson will speak to Chief Stimson. Also ^Paul Kent further questioned environmentally can we put a Boulder at the end of Boat Landing. The Board thanked Marlon and committee for their input and work.

Chair Kent called for a vote of the Public Hearing held tonight. Cos moved to contribute \$10,000.00 from the Newington Air Quality Mitigation Fund toward the construction of bicycle/pedestrian Bridge over the Spaulding Turnpike in Portsmouth. Seconded by Paul Kent. Motion carried in the affirmative.

Cameron Wake President SABR thanked the Board for the contribution to make the connection in Portsmouth.

Barbara Hill announced that the Newington Historical would be sponsoring the Town Wide Yard Sale to held on Sept. 20, 1997.

Board Member Peggy Lamson ^{stated} that R.Hart would accept the appointed position as the Town's Plumbing Inspector. Mr. Hart will meeting with the Board of Selectmen and Building Inspector.

Hwy Agent Don Beals addressed the sign problem with vehicles turning around at Reclamation Technologies. They asked for the DEAD END sign be moved so trucks or cars would not use the drive way since PATTERSON LANE is a DEAD END ROAD.

Tom Morgan requested vacation time July 28th, 29th, and July 31,1997. Approved by B.O.S.

B.O.S approved request from Tim Field the use of the Town Hall on August 15, 1997 for a Family Reunion.

B.O.S appointed Peggy Lamson to the Seacoast MPO term expires June 1998.

Chairman Kent clarified a misprint in the Local paper that the Letter Sent to Home Quarters was sent by the Board of Selectmen. The Board are the Code Enforcers of the Town.

Board of Selectmen have recommended Doug Reed of Fox Point Rd. to the Noise Compatibility Study. Peggy Lamson will check to see if Doug would be interested.

Chairman Kent announced the Bonding approval.

Communications:

1. Public Hearing August 14, 1997 1:00P.M. Landfill Grant Project Priority List.
 2. Letter from Building Inspector Jack Mazeau re: Exxon Expansion (potty parity)
 3. Meet with Kathleen Lewis of P.S.N.H. Sept. 2,1997 at 4:30 P.M.
 4. Received thank you from Prescott Trustees for our \$1000.00 donation.
 5. Coast Ridership Meeting July 23, 1997 4:00 P.M.- 6:00 P.M. City Hall Portsmouth
- The Board of Selectmen approved of the Permission Form for bona fide guest who wish to use Fox Point for fishing or hiking etc. Individuals must understand that permission assigned by a Member of the Board of Selectmen.

Chief Stimson was very helpful in drafting up the form. After form is signed by the Board Member a copy is brought to the Police Dept. by individual who wishes to fish the Point who is a NON-RESIDENT. The Board also discussed the Compact Area which was voted on at March 1997 Town Meeting. Chief Stimson drew up a form which will be used as approved by the Board of Selectmen.

Hwy Agent Don Beals reported to B.O.S. re: Culverts Fox Point Rd. by Cliff Spinney's residence and Little Bay Rd. near Redden' driveway. Paul Kent also mentioned to Mr. Beals the Culvert on Gundalow Landing. Peggy Lamson told Don to check with Dennis Hebert whose property abuts the culvert.

Peggy Lamson announced that Mrs. LeClerc of Patterson Lane will be the Flag Bearer taking Robert Downs place. The Board of Selectmen thank Mrs. LeClerc for doing this job. At present John Frink is repairing the Flag Pole at Patterson Lane Point.

Cos reported that C.R. Thompson will be starting the Hannah Lane project in the middle of August.

Chair Kent reviewed Building Maintenance projects as follows Seal Town Hall, Shingle Carriage House. Discussion held. Peggy Lamson will contact the list.

Cos reported to the Board cost for doing the Basketball Court at the school and low spot of the one in So. Newington Rd. Moved by the Board to have Bayside Paving do the work on the Basketball court for the total \$5770.00 with Board approval.

Cos presented to the Board for CIP Hwy. Dept. Loader cost \$92,000.00

Peggy Lamson gave an update re: Clean up process at former Pease Air Force base McIntyre Brook and Pauls Brook. Air Force has sent letters to all abutting property owners of the work being done on the project.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Lamson
Acting Secretary

Town of Newington

Board of Selectmen

August 18, 1997

Present: Chairman Paul Kent, Margaret (Peggy) Lamson, Cosmas Iocovozzi.

Minutes of meeting held August 4, were accepted on a motion by Lamson, seconded by Iocovozzi.

Correspondence:

Letter from Shipyard Assoc., asking for a donation from the Town in 1998.

Letter from Mark Phillips, developer of Hodgdon Farm subdivision, asking the Town to consider trash pickup for new residents who are presently bringing their trash out to Newington Road. Noted that road, although not formally accepted, is built to town specifications and complete except for final top coat.

On a motion by Iocovozzi, seconded by Lamson, it was voted to instruct Len Thomas to pickup at the individual driveways on Hodgdon Farm Lane and adjust his expenses accordingly.

Discussed quotes from Pike Industries for road work on an unpaved section of Fox Point and the different materials offered. All agreed that natural color, not black, would be in keeping with the Point. Don Beals will get more info. on choice of crushed concrete or crushed gravel before making decision. Peggy Lamson noted that the parking area/turn around near steps down to beach, needs to be graded and asked if this could be included in the other work being done. Mr Beals will ask.

Copy of letter dated 8/7/97, from Attorney Cutler re: Scope of Services for Part 161 Study - placed on file.

Letter from Pam Blevins, Fox Point, asking that Selectmen consider abolishing the Resident Tax.

Board discussed and concluded that the approximately \$4,000 collected each year warrants keeping the tax. Also, non property owners can contribute somewhat to town expenses. Will notify Mrs Blevins and offer to discuss further if she wishes.

Chairman reported on the recent meeting between the town and State Plumbing Board. Newington requirements are over and above the State standards and therefore the Town must hold a Public Hearing prior to the amendment becoming effective. Planning Board will be asked to schedule a hearing.

Board approved the following uses of town facilities:

Margro's family party October 4.

Linda Khalsa family party October 3.

Paul Busque wedding reception on Fox Point September 20.

Portsmouth Police Dept. picnic September 28.

Received letter re: underground gasoline storage and noted that the town tank will need to be replaced in December 1998. Discussed other options - it is hoped that Sprague Energy will have a retail pump at their Avery Road site prior to the town deadline.

Discussed the request for new signage at the intersection of River Road and Patterson Lane. Asked the Road Agent, Don Beals, to procure a directional sign and install.

Reviewed quotes for work on the Fox Point Carriage Shed to include shingling, staining and some repair work. Agreed to accept the offer of Riverview Construction for a total of \$9,600. In addition will ask about painting the doors while scaffolding is in place.

Received request for disbursement from the Coakley Revolving Fund. Chairman signed.

Discussed the request to renew the Health Insurance Trust participation agreement. Peggy Lamson explained that this agreement agrees to comply with the Trust and also determines the type of reports the town will receive. Board agreed that the town only needs to see the number of claims - do not need the details of those claims. Chairman Kent will sign.

Peggy Lamson reported on a meeting with the a Health Insurance representative and stated that she will meet with the different department heads to describe the new programs being offered. Employees will be given a choice of options under the new plan.

Chairman Kent reported on a meeting on Pease with an Air Force representative. The Old Stone School is being offered to the Town. Appraiser George Sansoucy will be asked to appraise the building. GSA will also be appraising the building.

Kent noted that, in his opinion, the town would be better off purchasing the building, that public benefit transfer has a lot of strings attached.

The following building and land maintenance projects were discussed:

Agreed to get quote to shim just the low spots of the Town Garage parking lot. Will put off complete repaving until decision about underground gas tank is made.

Don Beals had received quote for replacement of two culverts and questioned which type (concrete or plastic) would be better to use. Iocovozzi stated that the State DOT now use plastic and have had no problems. On a motion by Lamson, seconded by Iocovozzi, it was voted to install 18" plastic culverts.

Received quote on a new salt shed. No action taken until further quotes are received.

Discussed winter road maintenance and agreed that, most times, using just salt can be more effective and less hazardous than the sand that accumulates at intersections.

Discussed the Great Bay Marina and the report that Griffin Construction equipment is parked on the property. Questioned if the Construction company is being conducted from Marina property in which case would be in violation of the zoning ordinance. Planner Tom Morgan will be asked to write to the owner of the marina for clarification.

Made note that the use of the property on the corner of Beane Lane is still not resolved, that even more trucks, equipment and materials are being stored on the site.

Received notice that the funds received from the U.S. Fish & Wildlife in lieu of taxes for the wildlife preserve, will now be directly deposited to town account.

Approved vacation day on 8/20, 8/27, 8/29 for Tom Morgan.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Pat Main
Sec'y.

Board of Selectmen

Town of Newington

August 4, 1997

Present: Chairman Paul Kent, Margaret (Peggy) Lamson, Cosmas Iocovozzi.

Minutes of meetings held June 16, July 7, July 21, 1997, were accepted on a motion by Lamson, seconded by Iocovozzi.

Alan Smith, Greenland, was present to ask the Board for a letter stating that the Town had agreed to participate in the Land Conservation Reserve program, with Mr Smith operating the program for the Town (see minutes of 5/4/97). Board agreed to sign a letter.

Board discussed a letter from owner of the warehouse on Patterson Lane. The complaint is about large trucks missing the turn onto River Road and turning around in the warehouse parking lot. Owner requests changes to signs and has agreed to pay for the new signs. Selectmen will visit the site to see what could be done to alleviate the problem.

Received notices from Department of Environmental Services re: Gary Michaels, Fox Point Road and Richard Ford, Captains Landing. Letters placed on file.

Approved use of the Town Hall by Neslab for various dates in August and September. Noted that there is still concern about parking and Neslab should be reminded to encourage car pooling.

Received quote for work on the road on Fox Point. Board agreed to accept the quote for the grading and compacting portion - Cosmas will discuss the amount of Blak Pak to be used but no more than 50 tons.

Board approved and issued permit to Rockingham Electric for a tent sale August 7,8,9. Will notify Police Dept.

Received notice from State Dept. of Transportation that the plans to alter the curb cuts at the Exxon Station on Spaulding Turnpike were approved on 8/3/97.

Selectmen signed appointment of Robert Hart Jr., as the Plumbing Inspector. Will meet on 8/6, to discuss the duties.

Chairman signed letter to David Murray advising that his property had been deeded to Town for non-payment of taxes. A partial payment was received too late. Selectmen will deed the property back if all outstanding taxes and interest are paid in full.

Read notice from NHMA Health Trust re: Renewal Application. Board has questions and Peggy Lamson suggested that a Health Insurance representative be invited to meet here in Newington.

Board approved the use of the Hall requested by Cheryl Estes.

Cosmas noted that the basketball equipment for the School yard and South Newington had been ordered and should be delivered soon.

Discussed the application form for guests of residents to use facilities on Fox Point. Agreed that dates requested should be specific. Reviewed form and agreed to make some changes.

On a motion by Peggy, seconded by Cosmas, it was voted to allow the son of Norman Myers to use the facilities during the month of August.

Received quote for some shingling on the Carriage House on Fox Point. Will await other quotes before making decision.

Reviewed list of other building maintenance projects proposed in this years budget.

Chairman Kent advised that a meeting was scheduled to discuss the town's taking ownership of the Stone School - will need an appraisal.

Discussed the need for some signage at the end of Patterson Lane to state that the landing is for use of residents only and there should be no parking.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Pat Main
Sec'y.

Board of Selectmen

Town of Newington

September 8, 1997

Present: Chairman Paul Kent, Margaret (Peggy) Lamson, Cosmas Iocovozzi.

Meeting was opened at 6:30 p.m.

Minutes of meeting held August 18, were accepted on a motion by Lamson, seconded by Iocovozzi.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Notice of Public Hearings to be conducted by the State DOT to discuss their 10 year Transportation Program - hearings to be held at various locations throughout the State.

Peggy Lamson reported that the Planning Board are concerned that the drainage on Hodgdon Farm Lane is not built in accordance with approved plan. Chairman signed letter to Mark Phillips requesting information about a drainage swale in the Hodgdon Farm subdivision.

Signed addition to the 1997 Resident Tax Warrant.

Received refund of \$182.76 from funds given to the DOT for construction of the Bike Path. Will deposit to General Fund.

Received request for donation from Richie McFarland Center. Placed in 1998 budget folder.

Voted on a motion by Iocovozzi, seconded by Lamson to accept, from Great Bay School, \$1.00 in lieu of taxes.

Read note from Clifford Spinney advising that he would retire in December as operator of the Transfer Station. No action taken.

Received approval, with conditions, from State Wetlands Board, the reconstruction of the pond on the Hetzler/Cauvet property Hodgdon Farm Lane.

Approved request from Dick Rines to work Columbus Day & Veterans Day and take November 12 & 13 off.

Signed appointment of Mary Beth Breault to the Budget Committee to fill position vacated by Dolly Russell.

Noted that representatives of the Air Force will visit the Stone School on September 9, at 8:30 re: offering the building to the Town. Paul Kent and Dick Rines will accompany him.

Discussed the road work on Fox Point. All agreed that it is a great improvement. Cos asked the Road Agent to get total tonnage of material used for the record.

Board reviewed some quotes to replace the town salt shed. No action taken pending answers to questions raised re: materials and style. Also noted that eventually the pile could be relocated to the Gravel Pit on Little Bay Road and therefore should consider a portable structure.

Board signed applications for Current Use submitted by Dorothy Watson and Randal Watson. These applications combined, replace land on Nimble Hill Road that was previously in Dorothy's name.

Board reviewed draft of letter from Attorney McNeill re: airport noise and agreed to discuss with the town's representative to the PDA. On a motion by Cos, seconded by Peggy, it was voted to authorize Chairman Kent to sign the letter once it has been approved by all concerned.

Lydia Frink asked when the tepee will be removed from the area near the Old Town Hall - will discuss with Recreation Director.

Peggy Lamson reported on her conversations with the NHMA re: the position of Town Secretary - Pat Main has given notice that she wishes to retire from full time and work part time for a transition period of 6 months to 1 year. Reviewed the draft of an ad. to be placed in the local papers. NHMA is recommending a change in title of position to "Assistant to Board of Selectmen"

Members of the Fox Point Committee: Marlon Frink, Camille Upson, Jan Stuart talked to the Selectmen about the various items they are recommending for the Point.

One being the relocation of a boulder to a place on the Point to mark the old bridge crossing - discussed placing either a plaque or having the stone etched. Will check into costs for plaque.

Iocovozzi agreed to have the boulder, presently beside the Fire Station, moved to the Fox Point location.

Marlon reported on the dates for various planned activities.

September 13th and 27th are scheduled for cleanup of the waterfront and buildings. Selectmen agreed to supply a town truck to haul debris.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Pat Main
Sec'y.

Board of Selectmen

Town of Newington

September 15, 1997

Present: Chairman Paul Kent, Cosmas Iocovozzi.

Absent: Margaret (Peggy) Lamson.

Meeting was opened at 6:30 p.m.

The minutes of previous meeting will be considered at the next meeting.

Barbara Hill was present to discuss various subjects:
Discussed the town yard sale sponsored by the Historical Commission and if the Police Dept. should be notified. Board agreed to bring to the Chiefs attention.

Also - Barbara had attended a meeting of the Rockingham Planning Commission and learned that there is a third gas pipeline much larger in diameter, proposed from Sable Island to Seabrook (majority under water). To date no municipalities have been contacted and no permits issued.

Also - Noted that the State Dept. of Transportation has scheduled Public Hearings to discuss their ten year plan. Barbara asked if the Selectmen intended to attend and if not would suggest that Chris Cross attend and possibly discuss his proposed changes for exits 3 and 4 off the Spaulding Tpke. Board had no objection to Chris attending.

Also - discussed the plaque identifying the bridge crossing from Fox Point. The Fox Point Committee asked if the State Historic Resources could assist. It was noted that Fox Point is not on the Historic Register and is not open to the general public and therefore the town would most likely have to cover the cost of the marker.

Fire Commissioners Leonard Eames and Guy Young and Fire Chief Larry Wahl were present to discuss the status of the order for the new Fire truck.

Chief advised that they were close to signing a contract - would like one more meeting to go over last minute details and would like a Selectman to attend. Meeting was scheduled for 9/19, and Cosmas agreed to attend.

Also discussed the costs of trips to inspect the truck during the construction - estimated to take 9 months. Chief stated that this is the only way to be sure the truck is built to specifications. Estimate \$850 per trip. Selectmen suggested that this expense be included in the '98 budget and not be paid from bond proceeds. Proposal includes a \$5,000 trade-in and various methods of payment. Board will study the payment schedule before making decision.

Town Treasurer Lulu Pickering was present to bring to the Selectmen's attention her discussions with the School District Administrator Jim Katkin re: payments for construction of the new addition and a schedule of payments to the school district. Lulu noted that construction costs were included in manifests to the School District Treasurer and she suggests that the construction costs should be paid from the bond proceeds, administered by the School Treasurer. Paul Kent agreed to discuss the matter with Jim Katkin.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Pat Main
Sec'y.

Board of Selectmen

Town of Newington

October 6, 1997 ✓

Present: Chairman Paul Kent, Margaret (Peggy) Lamson, Cosmas Iocovozzi.

Meeting was opened at 6:30 p.m.

Minutes of meeting held 9/15/97, were accepted on a motion by Lamson, seconded by Iocovozzi.

Fred Smith, Little Bay Road, was present and asked when the signs would be in place at those areas designated as "Compact Areas" which prohibits the discharge of fire arms without written permission. Peggy Lamson stated that the police chief was being consulted about wording and locations.

Mr Smith also asked about status of the 161 Study (Pease noise issues). Mrs Lamson stated that Attorney Malcolm McNeill continues to stay on top of this issue. Also advised that a Public Hearing to discuss aviation operating standards is scheduled at Pease on October 23 at 8:30 a.m. and the Town will be represented at that hearing.

Mr Smith also asked about the proposed Tyko office building on the Newington side of the Tradeport and what services Newington is providing. Mrs Lamson advised that the municipal services agreement covers only police protection, that Portsmouth provides all utilities and building inspections - she advised that the Newington Planning Board were given the opportunity to review building and landscaping plans.

Mr Smith stated that he is concerned that some time in the future the land formerly belonging to Newington will be annexed to the City of Portsmouth.

Curtis Pickering, Little Bay Road, was present and submitted a letter stating that a rock recently placed on Fox Point as a historic maker, is, in his opinion, in the wrong location, that it interferes with boat launching and also prohibits parking to enjoy the view. Chairman Kent agreed about the boat launching. Concluded that the Fox Point Committee will be asked to review and possibly pick a new location. Cosmas agreed to help in relocating the rock.

Judy Poulin was present and requested the use of the Old Stone School for 4H meetings. Advised that approximately 26 students participate, meeting on Fridays from 3 to 5:30 and Tuesdays from 3:30 to 5:30.

Stated that one of the planned projects is construction of picnic tables with the various age groups involved in various stages, including painting.

On a motion by Lamson, seconded by Iocovozzi, it was voted to allow the use of the Old Stone School with the stipulation that any painting of furniture would be done either outside or in the basement.

Board approved the following requests to use the Town Hall:

Kay Akerley - family wedding September '98

Donna Kelly - birthday party December 13.

Kathy Reinhold - family party December 7.

Al Margro - Christmas Dinner (Sons of Italy) December 6.

Al Margro - Thanksgiving Dinner November 27.

Chairman noted that a request from a non resident to 'metal detect' on town land has been denied.

Chairman read letter from the roadside mowing crew expressing their appreciation for the help given them by Road Agent Donald Beals.

Peggy Lamson reported that the Planning Board have scheduled a site walk of the Hodgdon Farm subdivision to review some drainage problems and construction conflicts with approved plans.

Chairman signed letter to the Portsmouth Water Department expressing dissatisfaction with the restoration of the town roads following water line crossings.

On a motion by Peggy Lamson, seconded by Cosmas Iocovozzi, it was voted to appoint Doug Reed, Fox Point Road, as the town's representative on the Noise Compatibility Committee, Pease Tradeport.

Read letter from PDA Director George Meyer in reply to the Town's letter regarding the activity of Swiss Air at the Tradeport. Mr Meyer stated that Swiss Air are reviewing the complaints and will most likely make some adjustments in their scheduled training flights.

Planner Tom Morgan asked that the Selectmen continue with the input for the Capital Improvement program. Board scheduled a tour of town buildings and land for Sunday October 26th.

Chairman announced that the 1997 Tax Rate had been set as follows: Town \$3.25; School \$1.48; County \$1.04 = Total \$5.77 per thousand.

Peggy Lamson reported that modifications had been made to the signs at the intersection of River Road and Patterson Lane.

Read letter from Attorney Upton, Concord, asking if town wishes to join a cooperative effort to oppose litigation by Public Service Co. Will advise Mr Upton that the town will join, agreeing that this method is more cost effective.

Discussed the building maintenance jobs: Don Pearl has scheduled work on the Town Hall (seal bricks & paint lamp poles). Culvert work on Hannah Lane should be accomplished soon; Job of constructing a salt shed was given to R.G. Young & Son for a cost of \$10,393.

Cosmas reported that the Fire Truck has been ordered. Board discussed the manufacturer's request for down payment. Concluded that there is no need to pay up front but will agree to pay the chassis portion when it is finished.

Peggy Lamson stated that she would like to see the recycling bin in a different location (less conspicuous) Board have no objection to it being relocated.

Peggy reported on a meeting with the Police & Fire Chiefs re: health insurance. It is agreed to recommend that the town stay with the Comp 100, for 1998. Have received notice that premiums will increase 12.7%. Peggy suggests that the Selectmen recommend that in 1999 employees will be offered optional plans with the employee covering any additional cost over and above the Comp 100 plan. Peggy also noted that both Chiefs have agreed to attend a health insurance rate meeting at the Pease Tradeport on October 15.

Peggy also reported that Richard Hebbard, Patterson Lane, was resigning as Alternate member of the Board of Adjustment and Dolly Russell was resigning from the Budget Committee. Will wait for resignations in writing.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Pat Main
Sec'y.

Board of Selectmen

Town of Newington

October 20, 1997 ✓

Present: Chairman Paul Kent, Margaret (Peggy) Lamson, Cosmas Iocovozzi.

Meeting was opened at 6:30 p.m.

Dave & Kris Low were present to discuss the status of the new road on Fox Point, Mott Cove Road. The Low's would like the school bus to pick their children up at their driveway by using the new road as a turn-around; there is no turn around on Fox Point at present except an unpaved area. Terri Spinney, representing the School Board was present and advised that the school bus will not make a U turn on any unpaved road or any road not town accepted. Selectmen advised, that to their knowledge, the new road was not complete and it would probably be after the '98 Town Meeting before it could be accepted as a Town Road.

Eliza Smith, Emergency Management, was present to discuss the new State requirements to maintain participation in the State's Emergency Planning at the present level. The changes will also require increasing the budget for next year. Selectmen agreed that the town should stay with the program and Ms Smith agreed to work up a budget to meet the requirements and submit the budget to the Board.

John Frink was present to ask if the Selectmen would approve of him using his own equipment to cut the pampas grass along the ditch on Nimble Hill Road. Board had no objection.

Chairman reported that the City Manager had responded to the town's letter to the City of Portsmouth regarding water line crossings, and the matter was being reviewed by the City engineers.

Received the '97 County Tax Warrant in the amount of \$559,000, 7% decrease from '96.

Board signed Property Tax Warrant in the amount of \$1,713,129.27.

Received a property appraisal report from the Great Bay Marina, also a notice from the State Tax Dept. re: a hearing on their request for abatement. Attorney Ratigan will be given copies for his action.

It was agreed that a down payment of \$2,500 would be made on the new fire truck.

Signed letter to Mr McMenamin, State DES, re: Coakley Cleanup. Town is requesting an extension of the deadline for borrowing from the State Revolving Fund as the completion of the cleanup has been extended.

Received notice from Dorothy LaBonte that she has assigned her cemetery lot to relatives. Copy will be sent to the Cemetery Superintendent.

Considered a request from Judy Poulin for keys to the Old Stone School for the 4H group. Board agreed to issue a set of keys. Will notify the Recreation Director - both groups must coordinate their activities.

Discussed the plans to finish the upper floor of the police station. Young Construction has submitted a quote. Cosmas will review the quote. Peggy will discuss plumbing costs with plumber Bob Hart.

Noted plans to meet at the Town Garage with Don Beals and Bob Young to review plans for a new salt shed.

At 8:10 on a motion by Lamson, seconded by Iocovozzi, it was voted to go into executive session to discuss a schedule of interviews for the position of Assistant to Selectmen. Closed Executive session at 8:55 and noted that six applicants had been selected to be interviewed. Peggy Lamson agreed to call. No further business was discussed.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Pat Main, Sec'y.

Newington Board of Selectmen's Minutes

Work Session Sunday October 26, 1997

Chairman Paul Kent called the Work Session to order at 10:30 P.M. with the full Board present. Tom Morgan, Town Planner was present to advise the Board on the Capitol Improvement Program. Tom stated that the CIP was an advisory document. The Board reviewed Land, Town Buildings and Vehicles. The C.I.P. is a six year program.

The work session adjourned at 3:00 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,



Peggy Lamson, Acting Secretary

Meeting of Selectmen

October 28, 1997

Present: Chairman Paul Kent, Margaret (Peggy) Lamson, Cosmas Iocovozzi, and Town Secretary Pat Main.

The Board of Selectmen convened at the Town Office on Tuesday October 28, 1997 at 6:15 p.m. for the purpose of conducting interviews with some of the applicants for the position of Assistant to the Selectmen.

All applicants chosen to be interviewed were advised of the benefits offered re: Health, Dental, Vacations and paid holidays (12) per year. Also, all those interviewed were given application for employment forms and asked to return them ASAP.

Interviews were conducted in executive session - so voted on a motion by Peggy Lamson, seconded by Cosmas Iocovozzi.

Selectmen asked each applicant to describe the duties of their present or previous jobs and the reason for applying for this position.

Discussed the general duties of the position and the work hours expected, noting that the Selectmen hold scheduled meetings two evenings per month which their assistant would be expected to attend and, during budget preparation in December, January & February, some evening and Saturday meetings would require their attendance.

Applicants interviewed on October 28, were Patricia Cross from 6:15 to 6:50. Rick Collier from 6:55 to 7:30. Diane Fritz from 7:35 to 8:00.

At 8:00 p.m. the meeting was recessed until 7:00 p.m. October 30, 1997.

Selectmen reconvened on Thursday October 30th at 7:00 p.m.
Present: Chairman Paul Kent, Peggy Lamson, Cosmas Iocovozzi and Pat Main.

Additional applicants interviewed were - Elizabeth McCaffrey 7:00 to 7:45. Susan Newcomer from 8:00 to 8:40 p.m.

Meeting was closed at 8:45 p.m. No action taken.

Board of Selectmen

Town of Newington

November 3, 1997

Present: Chairman Paul Kent, Margaret (Peggy) Lamson, Cosmas Iocovozzi.

Meeting was opened at 6:35 p.m.

Minutes of meetings held October 6th and 20th and work meeting held October 27, were accepted on a motion Peggy Lamson, seconded by Cos Iocovozzi.

Barbara Hill was present to discuss various matters:

1. Questioned the speed signs on McIntyre Road - 30 mph one way and 35 mph the other. The Highway Agent will be consulted.

2. Stated she was concerned about the recent action of the State placing a communications tower adjacent to the Spaulding Underpass near Trickey Cove - questions if the area is in the Town Historic Zone in which case different rules of land use would apply. Records will be checked to determine the zoning. It was also noted that a lot of these towers are expected to appear in the area to accommodate the popularity of cellular phones, and it is suggested that the municipalities adopt some kind of regulation to control locations. Planner Tom Morgan will be asked to draft something for Selectmen's review.

3. Discussed the activity of metal detection on town lands - noted that many people have participated in this activity without Selectmen's permission. Mrs Hill suggests that the Town adopt an ordinance, similar to the Federal Ordinance, prohibiting detecting and taking of artifacts from town land. It is possible that grant funds may be available from the State Historic Resources to explore and identify 'sensitive areas'. Mrs Hill agreed to work on the cost and submit budget.

Correspondence:

Signed application to extend the towns agreement to borrow from the State Revolving Fund for the Coakley Landfill cleanup.

Signed letter to Pam Blevins advising that the Selectmen agree to maintain charging Resident Taxes. Mrs Blevins suggested abolishing the tax.

Received notice from State Dept. of Revenue Administration of deadline dates for filing property tax appeals:

File with the Municipality - March 2, 1998.

Appeal to the State Board of Appeals or the Court - No sooner that July 1, 1998 and No later that September 1, 1998.

Signed letter to North Atlantic Energy Service, Seabrook, regarding the unnecessary noise during their use of the Town Hall for drills. Letter requests that the noise be kept down as municipal business is still being conducted during these drills.

Received notice of dividend from the NHMA Property Liability Insurance in the amount of \$14,127.44.

Received notice from School District Administrator advising a schedule for transferring funds from General Fund to School Account as requested by the Town Treasurer.

Signed Abatement of property taxes for two property owners due to errors in assessments.
Signed addition to the 1997 Resident Tax Warrant.

Curtis Pickering was present and discussed the work on the Carriage House. Curtis has been hired to stain shingles and paint trim. Noted that trim may have to wait until warmer weather in '98. Selectmen also asked Curtis to check the Town Hall roof which needs some repair.

Peggy Lamson noted that the Fox Point and Recreation Committees had done a great job of cleaning on Fox Point and she suggested that a proclamation be issued thanking all concerned.

Dennis Hebert, Gundalow Landing, was present and reported on a lecture he had attended where it was discussed that the taxation of federal properties, under certain conditions, could be allowed. He suggested that the Selectmen check on the possibility of taxing some of the buildings on the Newington side of the Pease Tradeport. Chairman Kent agreed to make enquiries.

Dennis also advised that he had enquired about the communication tower being erected near Trickey Cove and learned that it is a device to alert the State Highway crews of the temperature of the bridge in winter.

Peggy Lamson noted that Dolly Russell had resigned from the Board of Adjustment and a replacement should be appointed soon.

Meeting was adjourned at 8 p.m.

Pat Main
Sec'y.

November 7, 1997

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Newington Board of Selectmen met with Atty. Malcom McNeill at 4:P.M. on Friday November 7, 1997 to discuss Pease issues and the Part 161 Study. No action was taken. Meeting with Atty McNeill adjourned at 4:30P.M. Chairman Kent asked Board Members if their was any unfinished business. Peggy Lamson stated that with recent resignation of Dolly Russell from the B.O.A the Board might ask Alternate to the B.O.A Jack O'Reilly if he would finish her term. Chairman Kent asked Peggy to check with Jack. On a motion by Coz seconded by Peggy Lamson it was noted that Jack O'Reilly would fill Dolly Russell's vacant position. Motion carried in the affirmative. Peggy Lamson reported that Hwy Agent Don Beals wishes to meet with the Board to review the Hwy. Budget for 1998. Being the Town Office was closed in observance of Veterans Day the Board would meet on Nov. 12, 1997 at 4:00 P.M. with the Hwy Agent. Meeting adjourned at 5:00P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Peggy Lamson

Peggy Lamson, acting secretary

November 13, 1997

Chairman Paul Kent called the meeting to order at 4:15 P.M. ^{with} full Board present to review the 1998 Highway Budget with Don Beals and Len Thomas. It was noted that Len was in attendance for he is in charge of Snow Removal in Beals absence. Hwy Agent Don Beals presented a Budget of \$158,663. Board Members went line by line with each request and actual expense reviewed. Len Thomas gave the names of the seasonal snow removal crew stating they all have their CDL's and Health Certificates. Discussion was held re: consumption of Road Sand. Discussion on Surface Mgt. Chair Kent wished to have McIntyre Rd. addressed. The Board added \$6000.00 to Resurfacing line of the Budget. Cos questioned communication equipment for the Highway Dept. Vehicles. Don Beals explained that radios were ^{not} included for either truck. Cos stated it was very important for each truck to have this equipment for safety reasons. Discussion was held with the full Board in agreement to have the Hwy Agent add \$3000.00 for Radio Equipment to outfit the Hwy Departments Trucks. Hwy Agent Beals told the Board the new truck should arrive before Nov. 25, 1997. Moved by Lamson seconded by Kent ^{to} recommend the Highway Budget of \$167,663 to the Budget Committee for the ensuing year of 1998. Meeting adjourned at 5:30 P.M. Next ^{meeting} meeting of the Board of Selectmen will be Nov. 17, 1997 at 6:30 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Peggy Lamson

Peggy Lamson, Acting Secretary

17th
November 20, 1997

Chairman Kent called the meeting to order at 6:50 P.m. with full Board present. Chair asked for a motion on the acceptance of the Nov. 3, 1997 Board meeting. Moved by Lamson seconded by Cos to accept the minutes of Nov 3, 1997 meeting. Motion carried in the affirmative.

Board signed the appointment of Jack O'Reilly as a member of the Board of Adjustment to fill the vacancy by the resignation of Dolly Russell. Her term expires in April of 1998.

Moved by Lamson to recess the Board of Selectmens meeting until 4:30 P.M. on Tuesday Nov. 18, 1997, seconded by Cos . Motion carried in the affirmative.

Newington Board of Selectmen reconvened their meeting at 4:30 P.M. with the full Board present.

The Board discussed the recent work completed at the Carriage House by Riverview Construction. Lamson stated she communicated with RiverView and Mr. White would send a final bill stating what needs to be complete. Due to bad weather conditions in which we had cold and rainy days the three ^Romers at the Carriage House were not complete.

Communications:

Coakley Landfill Progress

Atty. M. Mc Neill re: Proposed Amendments to Zoning Regulations at Pease

N.H.M.A. Property Liability No Increase for 1998

Letter from C. Upson re: Electric Stove Newington Public School wishes to donate. Chair Kent explained to the Board that the Stove would not fit in the Old Town Hall. Cos will communicate with Ms. Upson of the Fox Point Committee.

Peggy Lamson reported on the recent Conservation Comm. meeting re Mott Cove Marine Facility. Commission sent a Letter to Dr. Frank Richardson stating a Marine Facility would not be in compliance with the Newington Zoning in a Residential District. The Board agreed and Peggy Lamson will send a reply to Dr. Frank Richardson of the Wetlands Board division of D.E.S.

Received Letter from Dept. of Agriculture -- Farm Service re: Farming Fox Point. Allen Smith of Greenland uses Town Land at Fox Point for farming purposes ie, Corn, Timothy plus Hay.

Peggy Lamson reported that she met with Cliff Spinney, Chief Operator Newington Transfer Station stating he would open the transfer station on January 17, 1998 from 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M. for disposal of Christmas Trees. He advised Peggy that Road Side Pick Up would not take the Christmas Trees per R.S.A. 149:27. No trees allowed to be buried in the Landfill.

The Board discussed Second Interviews. Meeting adjourned at 6:00 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Peggy Lamson

Peggy Lamson, Acting Secretary

Board of Selectmen

Town of Newington

December 1, 1997

Present: Chairman Paul Kent, Margaret (Peggy) Lamson, Cosmas Iocovozzi.

Meeting was opened at 6:30 p.m.

Minutes of meeting held 11/17-11/18 were accepted on a motion by Lamson, seconded by Iocovozzi.

Tom Dunne from the NHMA Property Liability Trust Insurance, was present to introduce the Board to the various loss prevention programs available through the Trust, including consultation on employment matters.

Also discussed a program PLT 2000, which asks that the Town commit to the Trust for two years and receive, in return, a reduction in rates. Board agreed to review.

Judy Poulin, member of the Recreation Committee, presented the proposed 1998 Recreation Budget.

Board reviewed budget and discussed those programs that reimburse residents a percentage of the cost (ski passes, theater tickets, etc.) Advised that Committee should supply the Selectmen with the names of those residents who volunteer to drive the van.

Discussed salaries and agreed that the Director should receive the same percentage of COL as other permanent full and part time employees. COL for '97 is yet to be established.

Iocovozzi asked if the budget could be reduced to zero increase from the 1997 budget without hurting the programs. Judy stated that it could be done by cutting some of the additional programs proposed.

On a motion by Lamson, seconded by Iocovozzi, it was voted to recommend at 1998 Recreation Budget of \$42,500.

Acting Road Agent Len Thomas sent message that he and employee Tom Roy could remove the old salt shed. Selectmen have no objection.

Correspondence:

Quote from RG Young for removal of the old salt shed. Board agreed that employees Len Thomas & Tom Roy could do the job.

Correspondence from attorneys re: Great Bay Marine request for abatement of property taxes. A prehearing conference has been set by all parties concerned.

Letter to Simplex Technologies regarding a petition for rehearing of their request to rezone a part of their land. Selectmen have asked for some verification of signatures including a legible list with telephone numbers.

Application from Sprague Energy requesting tax exemption for air pollution control equipment installed at their Patterson Lane facility.

Letter from owner of a lot on Beane Lane requesting that Selectmen resolve an issue of zoning violations on the abutting lot.

Board received request to sign referral of an elderly resident to the County Home. Peggy Lamson will make enquiries before form is signed.

A resident of Hodgdon Farm Lane has asked that a fence be erected between the School and the Fire Station and would like to discuss with the Selectmen. Board noted that there has been no formal request but would not agree that a fence was necessary, that the fire station and school have been side by side for many years with no problems.

Board reviewed the NHMA Insurance Trust program and on a motion by Lamson, seconded by Iocovozzi, signed a resolution to stay with the Trust until June 2000.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Pat Main
Sec'y.

Board of Selectmen Town of Newington December 2, 1997

Present: Chairman Paul Kent, Margaret (Peggy) Lamson, Cosmas Iocovozzi.

Board met to interview final candidates for position of Selectmen's Assistant.

No action taken - Board will meet again on December 3, for final disposition.

Peggy Lamson

Peggy Lamson
Acting Secretary

Board of Selectmen

Town of Newington

December 3, 1997

Present: Chairman Paul Kent, Margaret (Peggy) Lamson, Cosmas Iocovozzi.

Meeting was opened at 4:30 p.m. to discuss the final recommendation for the position of Selectmen's Assistant.

Following long review and discussion it was moved to offer the position to Susan Newcomer of Newington, commencing January 5, 1998. Motion carried in the affirmative.

A starting salary of \$27,000, per year will be offered with review and a possible increase of \$1,500, after 6 months. A further review will be made in January 1999, and if job performance meets requirements a further \$1,500 will be offered. Employee will also be offered membership in the State Retirement system, health benefits and 2 weeks paid vacation after one year employment.

Chairman Kent agreed to notify Susan Newcomer of the town's offer and ask her to meet with the Board on December 8, 1997 at 4:30 p.m.

Peggy Lamson

Peggy Lamson
Acting Secretary

Board of Selectmen

Town of Newington

December 8, 1997

Present: Chairman Paul Kent, Margaret (Peggy) Lamson, Cosmas Iocovozzi.

The Selectmen met with Susan Newcomer, candidate for position of Selectmen's Assistant.

The Board discussed the various benefits ie: Salary, Vacation, Sick Leave. Mrs Newcomer stated that at present she did not require health insurance coverage as she is covered under her husbands policy.

The Board advised that the present Town Secretary will be available for training.

Other matters discussed were: Attendance at Selectmen's meetings held two evenings per month with occasional late afternoon work meetings; Budget preparation - Mrs Newcomer was advised that she will be expected to attend meetings of the Budget Committee to take minutes and answer questions re: expenditures from the accounts payable and receivable; File maintenance of property records.

Mrs Newcomer left the meeting stating that she would contact the Chairman before December 10th, with her decision.

Mr. Dan Westerlund, Lucent Technologies, was present to discuss the possibility of the Town updating the town office telephone system. Board asked for information on answering machines. Also asked about the features that allows incoming calls automatically switched to an unused line. Mr Westerlund advised the town to call Bell Atlantic to have this feature installed.

Concluded that Mr. Westerlund will submit proposals.

Board met with Town Clerk Phyllis Pickering to discuss her proposal for a salary increase. Board agreed to study her proposal - no action taken.

Peggy Lamson

Board of Selectmen Town of Newington December 15, 1997
Present: Chairman Paul Kent, Margaret (Peggy) Lamson, Cosmas Iocovozzi.

Meeting was opened at 6:30 p.m.
Minutes of meeting held 12/1, were accepted on a motion by Lamson, seconded by Iocovozzi.

Considered a proposal for lettering the "rock" on Fox Point. Text was written by the Fox Point Committee. On a motion by Lamson, seconded by Iocovozzi, it was voted to accept the quote in the amount of \$325.00.

Received letter from Simplex in reply to the Selectmens enquiry about signatures on petition to amend the zoning on Woodbury Avenue-placed on file. Still some unanswered questions but no action to be taken at this time.

Received notice from State that Peggy Lamson has been reappointed as the Town Health Officer - term to expire in 12/2/2000.

Board signed deeds for cemetery lots purchased by Richard Stern and Mr & Mrs Richard Burns.

Received request for donation from Sexual Assault Support Services. Board questioned if the donation should come from the school department. Will discuss with Mr Michaels.

Received notice that Sprague Energy have applied to the State for exemptions for Water Treatment devices installed at their River Road and Patterson Lane facilities..

Discussed offer from telephone company to supply town with a maintenance contract. Decided to take no action at this time while system is being reviewed.

Read letter of resignation as full time town secretary from Pat Main. Mrs Main will convert to part time after her replacement is hired.

Resignation accepted with regret on a motion by Lamson, seconded by Iocovozzi.

Young Construction has submitted an estimate of cost to bring the Stone School up to code. A copy will be submitted to the Air Force with a request that the building and land be given back to the Town.

Considered a change order from Young Construction for work being done at the police station. Board reviewed the original contract, approved the change and signed order.

Icovozzi reported on the drainage work on Hannah Lane. Concluded that no further work will be done until we know if the drainage is satisfactory. Also need to check with Portsmouth Water Department to determine the depth of the water line.

Board of Selectmen Town of Newington December 22, 1997

Present: Chairman Paul Kent, Margaret Lamson, Cosmas Iocovozzi.

Meeting was opened at 4:00 p.m.

Chairman signed letter addressed to Arthur Ditto, Pease Site Manager, re: the Stone School. Town is requesting that land and building be given back to the Town.

Marlon Frink and Tom Morgan presented the Planning Board budget for Selectmen's review.

Changed some categories and noted that budget for engineering consultation is almost fully reimbursed by applicants. Total to be submitted to Budget Committee \$33,175.

Reviewed the Historic District Commission budget submitted by Barbara Hill. Commission proposes applying for a Local Government Grant of \$12,000. Funds will finance archeological studies in various historic areas. Town will have to raise \$2,400 as a match. Board accepted the proposal and will forward to Budget Committee.

Board signed application for a resident wishing to be admitted to the Rockingham County home.

Signed letter authorizing the Sewer Commission Chairman to act for the Town in negotiating state aid for the sewer system.

Peggy Lamson reported that a Mr Wheelock, State Department of Environmental Services, will visit Newington on December 24th, to check the town's underground gas storage tank.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Pat Main
Sec'y.