

**Town of Newington  
Board of Selectmen  
February 2, 2002 Meeting Minutes**

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Present: Board of Selectmen (BOS) Chairman John (Jack) O'Reilly, Selectmen Cosmas Iocovozzi & Jan Stuart & Administrative Assistant (AA) Susan M Newcomer.

*Pledge of Allegiance*

The Board of Selectmen discussed town business including the following:

- Accept minutes of January 22, 2002
- Signatures and Approvals
  1. NewingtonEnergy LLC
    - a. Extension of permission to use PSNH property for parking
    - b. Release of Escrow Funds for Industrial Corridor Road (ICR)
    - c. Additional parking request from January 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting.
  2. Monthly meeting request / Building Inspector
  3. Town Warrant
  4. United States Geological Survey (USGC) Project \$5,000

Chairman O'Reilly called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m.

Minutes

Selectman Jan Stuart made a motion to accept the minutes of January 22, 2002; seconded by Chairman O'Reilly, no discussion – Motion carried with none opposed.

NewingtonEnergy LLC

The Board approved a requested parking extension from NewingtonEnergy LLC to May 31, 2002 by a motion from BOS member Stuart; second by Iocovozzi, vote 3-0.

NewingtonEnergy LLC's request to release Escrow Funds for the ICR in the amount of \$780,500 was discussed. Chairman O'Reilly read a letter from George Sansoucy, PE dated January 18, 2002 requesting information from ConEd for Attorney Upton. BOS member Iocovozzi was not sure that the money should go back to NewingtonEnergy since the road was not done. O'Reilly made a motion to release the Escrow Funds, providing that Attorney Upton receives the requested information. BOS member Iocovozzi seconded the motion; vote carried 3-0.

AA Newcomer notified the BOS that the parking request addressed at the January 22, 2002 BOS meeting had been turned over to the Planning Board per request of Town Planner Tom Morgan.

Building Inspector Training

Building Inspector Charlie Smart requested that he be allowed to attend monthly meetings for the New Hampshire Building Officials Association. All BOS members agreed that employees should have training. Stuart made a motion to approve Smart's request; second by Iocovozzi, vote carried 3-0. BOS member Iocovozzi made a comment that the Building Inspector was doing a great job organizing the department.

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USGC

Iocovozzi reviewed his meeting at Portsmouth City Hall on January 29, 2002 regarding the "Sustainability of Ground Water Resources in the Seacoast Region of New Hampshire". Iocovozzi explained that the program was for 3 years and, if the group gets a grant, it will study municipal and owner water supplies. He recommended the prospect of the idea. The plan involves the southern tier of the State. The State will put up the first \$25,000, but they need a verbal commitment from communities for \$5,000. Although Iocovozzi said the issue is a State problem, he feels the Town really has to become involved or there could be future water issues.

Iocovozzi explained the breakdown of the USGC and how they work with the Department of Environmental Services (DES). The Selectmen agreed to send a letter to the USGC confirming the Town's commitment to the \$5,000, providing an invoice is sent to the Town. Also, the Planning Board will receive a memo on the vote. A motion to commit to the \$5,000 project fee, as discussed, was made by Selectman Iocovozzi; second by Stuart. Vote carried 3-0.

Payment Request

A payment request in the amount of \$7,501.82, from Treasurer Laura Coleman, to re-open an Escrow account that was closed in error in May 2001 was approved by a motion from Selectman Iocovozzi; second by Selectman Stuart. Vote carried 3-0.

Town Warrant

Warrant Articles were voted on as follows:

- Article 2 – *Fire Communications* – Motion to accept by BOS Iocovozzi; second by Stuart. Vote carried 3-0.
- Article 3 – *Revaluation* – Motion to accept by Iocovozzi; second by Stuart. Vote carried 3-0.
- Article 4 – *Town Ambulance and Major Medical Equipment* – Motion to accept by Iocovozzi; second by Stuart. Vote carried 3-0.
- Article 5 – *Replacement/Repair of Fire Department Vehicles* - Motion to accept by Iocovozzi; second by Stuart. Vote carried 3-0.
- Article 6 – *Conservation Fund/Open Space* - Motion to accept by Iocovozzi; second by Stuart. Vote carried 3-0.
- Article 8 – *Fire Department Positions (3)* - Motion to accept by Iocovozzi; second by O'Reilly. Vote was Iocovozzi, **yes**; O'Reilly, **yes**; Stuart, **no**.

It was noted that Chairman O'Reilly would be in Concord on Tuesday February 5, 2002 to speak for the Town at the House Ways and Means Committee.

Selectman Stuart made a motion to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Iocovozzi; vote to adjourn 3-0. **Meeting was adjourned at 12:45 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Newcomer  
Administrative Assistant