

**Newington Board of Selectmen  
Meeting Minutes**

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**May 6, 2002  
Newington Town Hall  
6:30 p.m.**

Monday, May 6, 2002  
6:30 p.m. – *Call to Order*

*Pledge of Allegiance*

**In attendance:** Lydia Frink, Dale Spainhower, Assistant Fire Chief Roy Greenleaf, Barbara Hill, Building Inspector Charles Smart, BOS Chairman Cosmas Iocovozzi, BOS members Jack O'Reilly and Jan Stuart, and AA Susan Newcomer.

**AGENDA**

1. Minutes of April 29, 2002
2. Bloody Point
3. Town Hall Use
4. Proposals
  - a. Grounds Care
  - b. Paving
5. Signatures and Proposals
6. Miscellaneous

Minutes: BOS Chairman Iocovozzi asked that the minutes of April 29, 2002 be read. Selectman O'Reilly made a motion to accept the minutes; second by Stuart. Vote 3-0.

Bloody Point:

Chairman Iocovozzi asked BI Smart to review, with the public, the content of the note from the DOT and his visit to Bloody Point regarding the grounds and the structure. Barbara Hill thought the roof had been repaired several years ago, but Smart disagreed after inspecting it closely. Smart noted that there was a lot of trash on the grounds. He recommended that the brush be cut back for better police visibility and that a street light be installed. Smart also indicated that the State would cut the brush and supply the necessary barriers.

Chairman Iocovozzi noted that Phillip Miles, from the DOT, was sending a "no cost" lease, but wanted the public to realize that the State can break the lease at any time. Iocovozzi asked the Board and Hill to consider the acceptance of liability on the property, knowing that the building could be taken away at any time. He also said that no work would be done until the lease was received from the State.

BI Smart estimated costs to the Town at about \$50,000 to get the property secure and cleaned up. Assistant Chief Greenleaf asked if the building would become a historic building, open to the public, and Iocovozzi responded that the Town would not be

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able to do that. BI Smart noted that lead paint was an issue and Greenleaf said he could not understand why so much money would be put in to it, with all things considered.

Selectman O'Reilly asked B. Hill the interest of the Historic District Commission. Hill said that the building was in the historic district and is eligible for the Historic Registry. Hill further stated that the State must take care of it and make it safe. She said that if the State widens the bridge, she would like the property to become a compliment of Hilton Park. Hill also indicated that the State has neglected the property.

Iocovozzi said the State wants a list of the Town's plans for the property and BI Smart said that if the roof repair was to be included, it should be matched for the time period and be put on to last 60 years.

B. Hill added that Sprague has complained and has a high concern for the disrepair of the building and the vandalism. Iocovozzi said that when the lease is sent, the property would be scrutinized. Hill said she is not looking for a liability for the Town, but she wants to see the property fixed up. Selectman Stuart indicated that she had a difficult time asking the Town to put anything in to it when the State could take it away at a moment's notice.

BI Smart noted that Police Chief Loomis was asked to submit recommendations to help keep the area secure. B. Hill added that a copy of the lease will need to be sent to the Commissioner of Historic Resources and that Sprague deserves respect. Iocovozzi said that barrier placement and brush removal was the extent of what the State would do, and the Town doesn't want the liability. B. Hill said she would take it further. It was agreed that when the lease and any other documents or letters arrived, Smart and Newcomer would put a packet of information together for Hill.

Miscellaneous Meeting Information:

Selectman O'Reilly noted that P. Lamson's "Outfall" meeting was on May 20<sup>th</sup>, a regularly scheduled Selectmen's meeting. Since Lamson would like the Selectmen to attend, O'Reilly recommended that the Selectmen's meeting be changed to the 21<sup>st</sup>. No decision was made.

Selectman Stuart noted that she would be meeting with the Fire Department at 1:00 on May 21<sup>st</sup> to review the items at the Carriage House.

It was also agreed that a Selectmen's workshop would be held on May 13<sup>th</sup> to finalize the review of carpet proposals.

Signatures and Approvals:

**Terminex:** O'Reilly made a motion to sign a \$300 p/year contract for the Town Hall; second by Stuart. Vote 3-0 and the contract was signed.

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**Great Bay Watch:** O'Reilly made a motion to grant access permission on to Fox Point to Great Bay Watch; second by Stuart. Vote 3-0.

**Fire Chief Retirement:** O'Reilly made a motion to accept and sign the unused pay documents submitted by Chief Wahl; second by Stuart. Vote 3-0 and documents were signed.

**Town Hall Use:**

O'Reilly made a motion to approve use of the Town Hall for J. Wentworth; second by Stuart. Vote 3-0.

Proposals:

**Grounds Care:**

Following discussion, a proposal for mulching shrubs from Fabyan Point Grounds Care was tabled until more information is received from the provider as to the time proposed for mulching each area.

**Paving:**

Chairman Iocovozzi explained the paving to be done on Little Bay Extension, McIntyre Road, the Police Department and the Town Hall parking lot. Iocovozzi noted that there was a big difference in bids and that it was important to make sure no mistakes were made.

J. Stuart made a motion to award the contract to Bayside Paving, contingent on meeting with Bayside to verify the differences in proposals; second by O'Reilly. Iocovozzi noted that each company had been notified to submit a proposal for the Town Garage paving. Vote 3-0.

**HVAC Proposals:**

BI Smart noted that he needed to get additional HVAC proposals before the Board could make a decision.

Miscellaneous:

BI Smart notified the Selectmen that he would be dealing with Dori Wiggin, from the State, and the Planning Board regarding a wetland issue at the Chevrolet Dealership.

Selectman O'Reilly noted that the Greenland Citizen's committee had invited him to attend a meeting to discuss the Mall issue.

BI Smart updated the BOS on the cemetery vandalism by the Fox Run Mall. J. Stuart mentioned that the Fox Run cemetery was previously a part of the cemetery care. Iocovozzi noted that he would visit the cemetery with Smart to review the issue.

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At 8:05 p.m. Jack Pare joined the meeting and said that he did not have anything new to report on the Meetinghouse repairs and that he would report back when he has all of the necessary information.

Selectman O'Reilly made a motion to enter non-public session to discuss a legal issue; second by Stuart. Vote O'Reilly-yes, Stuart-yes, Iocovozzi-yes. The BOS entered non-public session at 8:07 p.m. No votes were taken in session.

Selectman O'Reilly made a motion to enter public session; second by Stuart. Vote O'Reilly-yes, Stuart-yes, Iocovozzi-yes. The BOS entered public session at 8:25 p.m.

There was discussion regarding ordinances and RSAs on the requirements for Police Officers on premise during functions at the Town Hall or other buildings in town. It was agreed that AA Newcomer would look in to the requirements and report to the Selectmen.

Selectman O'Reilly made a motion to adjourn the meeting; second by Stuart. Vote 3-0.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Newcomer  
Administrative Assistant