

**Newington Board of Selectmen  
Meeting**

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**June 21, 2004  
Newington Town Hall  
6:30 p.m.**

**In attendance:** Chairman Board of Selectmen Jan Stuart, Selectman Cosmas Iocovozzi, Selectman Jack O'Reilly, AA Cynthia Gillespie, Cemetery Committee Rep Clifford Abbott, Recreation Committee Rep Keith Frizzell.

***Pledge of Allegiance***

The meeting was called to order at 6:31 p.m.

Selectman O'Reilly made the motion to accept the minutes of June 7, 2004. Seconded by Selectmen Iocovozzi. Vote 3-0.

**Miscellaneous**

Keith Frizzell from the Recreation Committee addressed the Board about the proposals for the purchase of back stops on the ball fields. Selectman O'Reilly asked Mr. Frizzell if the back stop is a request from the Recreation Committee. Mr. Frizzell confirmed. He stated that the Recreation Committee would like to replace the 8' X 16' X 8' X 10' chain link backstop in the upper field. Proposals from AAA Fence and Four Seasons Fence were reviewed. Selectman O'Reilly noted that the sizes on the quotes are not the same. Chairman Stuart asked AA Gillespie to get a new quote from Four Seasons Fence using the same size as AAA Fence. Selectman O'Reilly stated that he spoke to Dr. Cushing and that the school would pay to replace the upper field backstop. He added that the money to replace the lower field back stop should be budgeted for under Recreation Fields in next year's budget. Selectman Iocovozzi made a motion to accept the lowest bid on the back stop and to authorize the purchase of the back stop for the upper field. Seconded by Selectman O'Reilly. Vote 3-0.

Keith Frizzell stated that the lower field needs in-field grass. This will decrease the amount of dirt that needs to be kept weed free by about 80%. Mr. Frizzell stated that he knows of a guy from Maine that goes around to other Towns, maintaining Ball Fields. He said that he could find out what the guy charges. Chairman Stuart said that would be a good thing to know and maybe it could be budgeted for next year. There was discussion about the field being wet. Chairman Stuart said that a small foot bridge would help with access to the field. She said that she would ask the custodian, Rick if he could build a small foot bridge.

Mr. Frizzell said that the Recreation Committee has already bought vinyl siding for the shed at the tennis courts. However, he and Peter MacDonald have not had time to do the siding. He asked the Board if Rick could put the siding on the shed. Chairman Stuart said that she would ask Rick.

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Mr. Frizzell asked if there is a field that could be used for a Home Field for the fifth grade soccer team. The field would be used seven days a week during September and October. Because it is seven days a week the Selectmen expressed concern that Newington children will not be able to use the field. They suggested that it would be better to use the field behind the Old Town Hall for the soccer team. Mr. Frizzell agreed. He asked about a portable toilet. Selectman O'Reilly suggested that the League pay to provide for the portable toilet. Mr. Frizzell said he would ask. Chairman Stuart said if that fails the Board would find the money someplace in the budget.

Selectman O'Reilly told Mr. Frizzell that the Seacoast Wind Ensemble has offered to give a concert for the Town during September Fest for half price. Mr. Frizzell said he would relay this to the Recreation Committee.

Selectman O'Reilly asked for an update on the road repairs. Selectman Iocovozzi asked that a Purchase Order be sent to Bayside Paving to have the culvert work done on Fox Point Road. He also asked that a Purchase Order be sent to Altus Engineering for work to be done on the drainage problems at Brickyard Way.

A report from Cliff Abbott, updating work at the Cemetery was reviewed. Mr. Abbott brought in a box of Cemetery paperwork that was given to him by Christine Beals. It was decided that he will organize all of the paperwork and then bring it into the Town Hall for storage. There will be a drawer available for Cemetery paperwork in the vault. Mr. Abbott asked the Board for their thoughts on the idea of resurveying and re-mapping the newest section of the cemetery. He feels that by doing this, there will be less waste of land and allow for more graves in the future. Chairman Stuart asked that the Board be given a chance to discuss the idea. The Board agreed to get back to Mr. Abbott.

Selectman O'Reilly made a motion to issue an RFP for a contract with an appraisal company to provide the Town with assessing services. Seconded by Selectman Iocovozzi. Vote 3-0.

**Signatures and Approvals**

A Memo from Fire Chief Greenleaf was read. Chief Greenleaf asked the Board for permission to repair the floor in Bay #5 at the Fire Station. Selectman O'Reilly said that the money to repair the floor was encumbered from last year. Selectman Iocovozzi said that if the price is the same as quoted last year it was alright to do the job. However, if the price has changed the Chief will have to get new bids.

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A Memo from Planner, Tom Morgan was read. Mr. Morgan stated that the Planning Board voted to recommend the release of escrow funds held by Attorney Peter Loughlin to ConEd. The total of the funds is \$7,118 and are not related to Shattuck Way. Selectman O'Reilly made a motion to authorize the release of the funds to ConEd. Seconded by Selectman Iocovozzi. Vote 3-0.

The Board unanimously approved a Coalition Communities' survey supporting a lawsuit against the new State education tax funding formula, Senate Bill 302.

A Proposal from Brulotte, Inc. for a new HVAC system for the police station, in the amount of \$57,750 was reviewed. Selectman Iocovozzi made a motion to authorize Brulotte to do the job. Seconded by Selectman O'Reilly. Vote 3-0.

A Current Use-Land Use Change Tax Lien Release-RSA 79-A form for Fox Point Realty Trust was reviewed and signed.

An application for Current Use-RSA 79-A form for Connie & Paul Clark was reviewed and signed.

Selectman O'Reilly made a motion to sign an abatement as recommended by the Town Assessor's agent Wil Corcoran for Clifford Abbott for year 2003. Seconded by Selectman Iocovozzi. Vote 3-0.

Selectman O'Reilly made a motion to sign an abatement as recommended by the Town Assessor's agent Wil Corcoran for Paul & Sheryl Bagley for year 2003. Seconded by Selectman Iocovozzi. Vote 3-0.

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Selectman O'Reilly made the motion to sign an abatement as recommended by the Town Assessor's agent Wil Corcoran for Gagner Family LTD Partnership for year 2003. Seconded by Selectman Iocovozzi. Vote 3-0.

Selectman O'Reilly made the motion to sign an abatement as recommended by the Town Assessor's agent Wil Corcoran for JC Penney for year 2002. Seconded by Selectman Iocovozzi. Vote 3-0.

Appointments (as follows) to Deputy Forest Fire Warden from the State of New Hampshire, Forest Protection Bureau were reviewed and signed:

Shean Gray  
Paul St.Cyr-Butler  
Shawn Leathers

Brain Jacques  
Philip Sutton

Chairman Stuart stated that Ken Pickering needs a radio on Saturdays while the Transfer Station is open. She asked AA Gillespie to contact the Fire Department to have a radio programmed for him.

**Town Hall Use**

A Town Hall Use form for Barbara Hill for a September 4, 2004 memorial service was approved.

There being no further business before the Board Public Session was:

Adjourn 8:15 p.m.

Non-Public in accordance with RSA 91 A:3 II Legal. No votes were taken.

Non-Public adjournment 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cynthia Gillespie  
Administrative Assistant