

**Newington Board of Selectmen
Meeting**

**July 18, 2005
Newington Town Hall
6:00 p.m.**

approved 7/25/05

The meeting was called to order at 5:59pm.

Selectman Stuart moved for the meeting to go into non-public session under RSA 91-A:3, II (a & e) Personnel/Legal. Seconded by Selectman O'Reilly. ***Motion passed 3-0 with a roll call vote.***

Jan Stuart made the motion to come out of non-public at 6:26. Seconded by Jack O'Reilly, on a roll call vote ***motion carried 3-0***

Jan Stuart made the motion to seal the non-public minutes of the meeting held June 18, 2005. Jack O'Reilly Seconded. ***Motion passed 3 – 0***

In attendance in the public session: Chairman Cosmas Iocovozzi, Selectman Jack O'Reilly, Selectman Jan Stuart, Chief Roy Greenleaf, Wilber Goins, Thomas McQuade, Dot Noseworthy, Brian Haberstroh, various members of the public, and Administrative Assistant Bea Marconi

Visitors: Jim Kerivan, Altus Engineering, Clifford Abbott, Dot Noseworthy, Pete MacDonald, Barbara McDonald, Recreation Committee members and Vincent Frank.

Pledge of Allegiance

Selectman O'Reilly made the motion to accept the minutes of July 6th, 2005. Seconded by Selectman Stuart. Roll call vote; Stuart- yes, O'Reilly-yes, Iocovozzi- yes. ***Motion carried;*** none opposed.

The opening of the bids for the **chimney caps and flashing repairs** at the Town Hall was **tabled**.

Two bids were submitted for **the paving** of Little Bay Road. The results are as follows;

Pike Industries	\$39,800 (including striping)
Bayside Paving	\$40,800 + striping (3,600)

Selectman O'Reilly made the motion to accept the bid for the paving of Little Bay Road from Pike Industries not to exceed \$39,800 (striping included). Seconded by Selectman Stuart. Roll call vote; Stuart- yes, O'Reilly- yes, Iocovozzi- yes. ***Motion carried;*** none opposed.

Tennis Court Update

Mr. Jim Kerivan from Altus Engineering, gave the Selectmen an update on the tennis court project. Mr. Kerivan gave an overview of the bids that they have received so far. Advantage was the lowest bid received. Advantage changed some details on the contract. Altus looked into Advantage's references. There are good reviews and bad. Selectman O'Reilly asked that Mr. Kerivan go back

and negotiate with Advantage to meet the contract standards. Mr. Kerivan agreed and said that he will take care of it and bring his results back to the Board.

Chairman Iocovozzi asked if any members of the Recreation Committee present had any questions for Mr. Kerivan. Resident Keith Frizzell asked about the slope and the height of net and asked about the gage of the fence and drainage. Resident Helen Maldini asked if electrical conduits will be run. Chairman Iocovozzi answered yes. Resident Pete MacDonald asked if the cost includes the cost of lights. Mr. Kerivan answered no, but there is an option in the contract of a 6 pole, 8 fixture light system. Resident Jack Anderson asked about under court drainage versus perimeter drainage. Mr. Kerivan explained that the perimeter drainage takes water from the soil and the top water drains to swales. The under drainage just takes water from the soil. Mr. MacDonald voiced his concern about the slopes of the hills nearby.

Darryl Brown and Mr. Frizzell spoke of the road drainage versus road drainage under the court.

Chairman Iocovozzi moved things along to the next topic, *the Exeter Environmental Assessment of Shattuck Way*. This was referred to the Selectmen by the Planning Board after they authorized to pay. Selectman O'Reilly made the motion that the Chairman sign the environmental survey in the amount of \$1,600. Seconded by Selectman Stuart. Vote 3-0. *Motion carried*

Selectman Stuart made the motion that part of the *tennis court be opened* and allow people to play on it for the remainder of the summer. Seconded by Selectman O'Reilly. Roll call vote; Stuart- yes, O'Reilly- yes, Iocovozzi- no. *Motion carried; one opposed.*

Library Trustee Dorothy Noseworthy spoke to the Board about the *library floor*. Timing for this is not settled yet. Ms. Noseworthy asked about the *bathroom tile* in the library. It needs to be tested. Selectman O'Reilly said that the Board will have to look at the budget to determine if it can be done this year or next. Ms. Noseworthy then asked about the screens and the *proposal from Glass Routes*. She had spoken with Building Inspector Charles Smart and he suggested that a dehumidifier be used because of the moisture in the basement, which is coming up the walls of the library, affecting the floors. He also suggested air conditioners for a couple of the windows. Selectman O'Reilly made the motion to have the Library purchase one or two air conditioners or a dehumidifier not to exceed \$750. Seconded by Selectman Stuart. Roll call vote; Stuart- yes, O'Reilly- yes, Iocovozzi- yes. *Motion carried; none opposed.*

Selectman O'Reilly moved to *modify the existing floor motion* of July 6th, 2005 to increase from two coats to three coats at an increase of \$450, which would change the total not to exceed \$5,067 for the library floor. Seconded by Selectman Stuart. Vote 3-0. *Motion carried; none opposed.*

Chairman Iocovozzi asked if volunteers have been found to help move the books out the weekend of August 19th. Selectman Stuart made the motion to have a *community service opportunity* for kids. Seconded by Selectman O'Reilly. Vote 3-0. *Motion carried; none opposed.*

There was discussion on *Morton Salt's contract price*. Selectman O'Reilly made the motion to accept the Morton Salt contract of \$43.70 per ton for salt. Seconded by Selectman Stuart. Vote 3-0. *Motion carried; none opposed.*

Selectman Stuart motioned to appoint Town Planner *Tom Morgan to the Seacoast MPO*. Seconded by Selectman O'Reilly. Vote 3-0. *Motion carried; none opposed.*

Cemetery Chairman Cliff Abbott, Sexton John Frink and Mr. Richard Sullivan came before the Board representing the *Cemetery*. Mr. Abbott updated the Board and told them that the brush clearing is about half way done, since using about 12 hours of John Frink's time. Selectman Stuart commented that the wall that Mr. Sullivan did at the Parsonage is beautiful and he did a great job. There was discussion on the grant and money owed by the trustees. The Cemetery committee is asking for the balance of the rock wall (approximately \$1250) to help the Cemetery. Selectman Stuart said that the Selectmen are planning to meet with the Trustees of the Trust Funds. Selectman Stuart made the motion to front \$1250 out of the appropriate line item to supplement the cost of the rock wall. Seconded by Selectman O'Reilly. Vote 3-0. *Motion carried*; none opposed.

Mr. Abbott mentioned his concern with the 123 posts to be installed by the end of August. Mr. Sullivan says that although he wants to work with the cemetery, he can not make guarantees as he won't know what he'll run into (gravel, etc.). Chairman Iocovozzi suggested that Mr. Sullivan and Mr. Abbott work on providing a price of labor to the Board to consider later. At this time the topic is tabled. Mr. Abbott agreed that he would be at the next meeting and Mr. Sullivan will continue work on the rock wall.

There was discussion on the grant and the fact that the Cemetery committee had told the Board that they would use volunteers, but now they need money.

There was discussion on the water leak at the Cemetery. Chairman Iocovozzi said he spoke with someone at the City of Portsmouth that has equipment to locate leaks, but it is very expensive. Chairman Iocovozzi suggested that the Cemetery budget for a proper water system next year. Selectman O'Reilly and Mr. Abbott agreed. Mr. Abbott will report back regarding the water line and will also bring in a price from Mr. Sullivan for the rock walls and posts. Mr. Frink will fill the hole that was dug by the Meeting House.

It was decided that the Selectmen will meet on Monday the 25th at 6:30 instead of August 1st because of vacations.

Selectman O'Reilly said that the School Supporters would like to change the **start/finish line of the Road Race on September 10th** to avoid a parking conflict with the church supper at the current Town Hall. The road race will begin and end in the vicinity of the Old Town Hall and Old Stone School. Selectman O'Reilly said that the School Supporters need to remember to clean up afterwards. We also need a certificate of insurance. Selectman O'Reilly moved to approve the revised Road Race map for September 10th pending the conditions mentioned above, including getting the okay from the Chief of Police. Seconded by Selectman Stuart. Ms. Gail Pare suggested on behalf of the H.D.C. that the School Supporters look into porta-potties. Vote 3-0. **Motion carried**; none opposed.

A **Town Hall use** form for Jennifer Carter for August 21st to use the hall was approved and signed. Selectman O'Reilly moved to approve this Town Hall Use application contingent that the fee is paid upfront. Seconded by Selectman Stuart. Vote 3-0. **Motion carried**; none opposed. AA Marconi was instructed to inform those applying for Town Hall Use that checks must accompany applications.

Ms. McDonald asked if the Selectmen could provide **minutes** of non-public sessions that were not sealed and asked when these could be provided to her. AA Marconi received a letter from Ms.

McDonald requesting these minutes in writing. Chairman Iocovozzi said that the Board will provide her with a letter. She also inquired about Warrant Article #5 regarding the Old Town Hall and Austin Architects. Chairman Iocovozzi will look for the minutes where Austin Architects was accepted. Ms. McDonald asked if the Frink closing has been confirmed yet. AA Marconi replied that it has not been confirmed yet, but the closing will occur at some point during the week.

Selectman O'Reilly made the motion to **recognize the hard and excellent work of Building Inspector Charles Smart and award him a \$200 bonus.** Seconded by Selectman Stuart. Selectman O'Reilly clarified that BI Smart goes over and above what an employee does and has had to deal with a lot. Ms. McDonald took exception at this, assuming it was because of her "incident" last week and feels the Selectmen should not award bad behavior. Chairman Iocovozzi ended the discussion. Chairman Iocovozzi feels that BI Smart has done a lot of good for the Town and the Selectmen and has done a great job. He deserves a bonus and Chairman Iocovozzi is very happy with the job BI Smart has done. Roll call vote; Stuart- yes, O'Reilly- yes, Iocovozzi- yes. Vote 3-0. *Motion carried;* none opposed.

Being no further business before the Board;

Selectman O'Reilly made the motion to adjourn at 8:18pm. Seconded by Selectman Stuart. Vote 3-0. *Motion carried;* none opposed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Beatrice Marconi
Administrative Assistant