



**Town of Newington  
Board of Selectmen  
December 3, 2001 Meeting Minutes**

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Present: Board of Selectmen (BOS), Chairman John (Jack) O'Reilly (R) & Selectman Cosmas Iocovozzi (I); also, Executive Assistant Robert M. Belmore.

Chairman O'Reilly called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

The Board met with George "Skip" Sansoucy and one of his staff, Charlene Genest, also present was Jim Michaud of Century Consulting. The Board discussed what was needed to complete the town wide property revaluation. Sansoucy said he thought that next year's assessing services could be provided for by his firm's completion of the revaluation. He also asked what the Board wanted as assessing services needed by the town on a year to year basis. Michaud said the services were explained in the RFP.

Jim Michaud submitted a two page Revaluation Monitoring Report dated December 1, 2001 (copies were given to the Board members). Michaud explained the report. Sansoucy said he would submit a contract for the remaining work to be done on the revaluation (not past work) and a letter of credit for 2002 work to be done, and he would submit a bill for services provided up to December 1, 2001. Michaud recommended Sansoucy submit costs on 3 different items: the work to be done on the revaluation, work to be done on the power plant's assessment, and a cost to provided 2002 pick-ups and other town assessing functions. Michaud also said a timetable should be made part of the 2002 revaluation contract, and suggested July hearings at the town level to meet the DRA MS-1 submittal deadline of September 1. Sansoucy agreed to submit costs on the three different assessing items by the end of December.

1. The BOS voted 2-0 to accept the meeting minutes November 19, 2001.
2. Signature Folder.
  - a. The Board sign town hall use applications.
3. RFP – Bids: the Board deferred opening the bids (kept sealed).
4. New Business & Correspondence.
  - a. Chairman O'Reilly read a letter from resident Jan Stuart regarding appointment to the open Selectman seat. Motion by O'Reilly, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Iocovozzi to appoint Janice Stuart to fill the open Selectman position until the next annual town meeting. Discussion. BOS voted (at 6:55 pm) 2-0 to pass the motion and appoint Jan Stuart effective immediately upon her being sworn into office.
  - b. O'Reilly read a memo from Newington Deaconate Board Chairman Fletcher that the Church planned to paint the two remaining sides of the Meeting House next year.
  - c. The Board voted 2-0 to allow resident Jack Pare maintain the Meeting House Steeple & Bell.

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- d. Chairman O'Reilly agreed to attend the next Coalition meeting.
- e. The Board announced that they had "2001 Application for Education Property Tax Hardship Relief" property tax forms.
- f. Resident Chris Cross discussed the update received from the NH DOT on the Spaulding turnpike Exit 4 interim improvements.
- g. Selectman I said the School SAU had told him that the Mott Cove - Fox Point road improvement work was adequate in meeting the bus company concern.

(Belmore left the meeting – notes by Chairman O'Reilly)

- h. Chairman O'Reilly explained his research on a property tax abatement application. Motion by R, 2<sup>nd</sup> by I, 2-0 vote to grant Edna G. Mosher of 97 Nimble Hill Road a property tax abatement and to issue her a refund in the amount of \$800.00.
- i. Motion by R, 2<sup>nd</sup> by I, 2-0 vote to award new Selectman Stuart a prorated Selectman pay in the amount of \$700.00.
- j. The Board discussed an outstanding check matter with the Treasurer and Deputy Treasurer.
- k. The Board discussed criteria being used to fill the administrative assistant's position with members of the public including Town Treasurer Coleman and Deputy Treasurer George Fletcher and Town Moderator/Sewer Dept. employee Ruth Fletcher.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Robert M. Belmore*