Newington Board of Selectmen Meeting

May 31, 2005 Newington Town Hall 6:30 p.m.

Accepted 6/6/05

In attendance: Chairman Cosmas Iocovozzi, Selectman Jack O'Reilly, Town Planner Tom Morgan, Building Inspector Charles Smart, resident Lulu Pickering, Library trustee Meredith Hoyt and Administrative Assistant Bea Marconi.

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Iocovozzi at 6:33 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Miscellaneous

Selectman O'Reilly made the motion to accept the minutes of May 16th, 2005. Seconded by Chairman Iocovozzi. Vote 2-0.

Town Planner Tom Morgan gave a presentation to the Selectmen explaining the DOT/ Seacoast Land Trust easement. \$900 will go to the Seacoast Land Trust and \$1100 will go to the Conservation Commission. Selectman O'Reilly made the motion to sign a partial conservation easement release of the Trickey Cove parcel to DOT. Chairman Iocovozzi seconded. Vote 2-0.

The DOT also requested an additional 350' for \$500. This money will go to the Conservation Commission. Both Selectmen signed.

Town Treasurer George Fletcher asked about the repaving or graveling of the road near the church. Road Agent Leonard Thomas will take care of this. Mr. Fletcher also asked about the new furnace. The Board told him that they are moving forward with the furnace and plan to go forward with the painting of the ceiling.

Chairman Iocovozzi will also inform Mr. Fletcher when the Frink closing will be. AA Marconi will call both Mr. Fletcher and Chairman Iocovozzi.

The last question Mr. Fletcher asked was regarding his stipend. The current amount is \$4000. The Budget Committee had unanimously decided on \$5000. This year \$4000 was budgeted.

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Building Inspector Communication

A memo from Building Inspector Charles Smart regarding library floors was read. Mrs. Meredith Hoyt, Library Trustee, said that the trustees would like to see the wooden floors refinished and maintained. The ceramic tile floor should be repaired. Selectman O'Reilly said that money has been budgeted for wooden floors for this year and suggested that the bathroom floor be budgeted for next year. BI Smart added that to refinish the floors the library will have to be completely emptied out. Mrs. Hoyt said that the best time to do this is August. Administrative Assistant Marconi was instructed to put an RFP out for refinishing hardwood floors and tile/carpet replacement or repair. The Library will be responsible for moving everything. Administrative Assistant Marconi was also asked to add an estimate from General Linen for rug cleaning for the Library next year. This item will go under the Library Building maintenance line.

Mrs. Hoyt also asked that Town Custodian St. Laurent look at the ramp at the Library for repairs and the replacement of the front and back doors.

BI Smart also mentioned the repairs to the Carriage House. Selectman O'Reilly made the motion to accept Haas estimate not to exceed \$18,000 for renovation/ repair of the Carriage House. Seconded by Chairman Iocovozzi. This has already been discussed with the HDC. A certificate of insurance from Haas will be needed and if any subcontractors are used, the Town will need their certificates of insurance as well.

There was discussion on tree trimming and cutting. BI Smart toured the Town with Pace, an arborist. Selectman O'Reilly suggested budgeting for landscaping next year. There should be funding for replacement of dead or dying trees or bushes. A landscape architect should be called to look at the Town's property. Historic and Conservation Commission members should be involved.

There was discussion on painting the Town auditorium versus wallpapering the walls.

Because of the rain situation this season, the Town Hall has sprung many leaks. BI Smart feels the chimneys need to be repaired. He was instructed to call Murphy regarding these repairs and sealing of bricks. This money should have been budgeted for this year.

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Town Hall Use

A Town Hall Use form for Luanne O'Reilly for a Nov 12 event was approved and signed. (Noon til 10:00pm)

The Selectmen moved to go into Non-Public Executive Session at 7:22 p.m.

Adjourn non-public and 7:45 p.m. No votes were taken.

There being no further business before the Board of Selectmen;

Selectman O'Reilly made the motion to adjourn at 7:45. Seconded by Selectman Iocovozzi. Meeting Adjourned 7:45.

Respectfully Submitted,

Beatrice Marconi
Administrative Assistant