

**Newington Board of Selectmen
Meeting Minutes**

Approved 8/7/06

**July 24, 2006
Newington Town Hall
6:30 p.m.**

The meeting was called to order at 6:31pm by Chairman Jack O'Reilly.

In attendance: Chairman O'Reilly, Selectman Iocovozzi, Town Administrative Assistant Beatrice Marconi, Susan & David Philbrick, Lenny Thomas, Eric Weintraub of Altus Engineering, Duncan Mellor of Waterfront Engineering, Mike Goot of Fosters, Dennis Hebert, Dottie Watson (8:05). Absent: Selectman Jan Stuart

Pledge of Allegiance

Minute Approval

Selectman Iocovozzi moved to approve the meeting minutes of July 10th. *Chairman O'Reilly seconded* the motion. So voted 2-0, *motion passed*.

Altus Engineering- Tennis Court Repairs

Eric Wentraub of Altus Engineering met with Ray of Advantage Tennis, Selectman Iocovozzi, and John Newick. Prior to this meeting there was a decision by the Engineer to not pay the last 10% due from the tennis court contract for the work was not done exactly how they wanted regarding the terrain and landscaping – which as is, is impossible to mow. All came to an agreement that Advantage Tennis will hire a landscaper and pay him.

Coleman Culvert

Eric Weintraub stated that the town wide wetlands permit was believed to have included Coleman Drive however he later discovered that part of Coleman Dr. had not been included. The total cost for adding this will cost approximately \$500.00. Both Chairman O'Reilly and Selectman Iocovozzi agreed that this should be added.

Brick Yard Way Engineering

Eric met with Dennis Hebert and tried to work the neighborhood concerns into the Engineering. The pavement will be saw cut and parts of the road will be reconstructed, the grade will be raised and swales created. The center landscape will remain and Dennis gave the town authorization to install and pass over his property to create a 4 to 1 side slope across his property, because it's more manageable when doing the lawn mowing. Eric states that the water flow volume will not increase. He is merely creating a conveyance and lowering the water shed. It was decided after further discussion that when a contractor is picked - before the work is done, the Board of Selectmen, the affected residents and Eric will gather to have a preconstruction meeting. Eric will speak with the Haskells regarding the R.O.W.

Fox Point/ Boat Ramp

Eric has been talking to Duncan Mellor with Water Front Engineers in regards to the repairs to the pier, boat ramp and erosion of Fox Point. Mr. Mellor explained that the unknowns are what will be the cost factor when asked about money needed to dedicate to the job. The stones there at the erosion point may be apart of the Old Bloody Point Bridge and this is where the Department of Human Resources come into play. Coastal Zone management money or State

Money may be available via State or Federal but the Town would have to open up Fox Point to the public. Both Selectmen felt this was not a route to consider. Permitting will be at a minimum of 90 days. Wetlands permit is good for 5 years. Mr. Mellor stated that the project could be done in phases. After further discussion the Board decided to proceed with the permitting. The boat ramp construction is estimated at \$42,000.00 for pre-cast concrete planks 100 feet long.

Eric felt that the banking erosion problem was relatively stable; he added that a retaining wall could be built to help stabilize it. Duncan gave an estimate of \$140,000.00 to \$220,000.00 to rebuild the wall. Eric stated that if the job is done in phases it could potentially cost more money.

Chairman O'Reilly stated that he would like to see a capital reserve established to raise the money to pay for it all at once.

Selectman Iocovozzi asked Duncan what his fee was to get all of the permits and engineering. He stated that he figured around \$32,500.00. Of that, approximately \$3,100 would be dedicated to a topo survey.

Chairman O'Reilly stated that he will take a look at the finances, the Chairman felt that \$20,000.00+- will cover phase one of the engineering.

Selectman Iocovozzi made a motion to approve the funding for the ramp replacement and sea wall repair not to exceed the amount of \$25,000.00 to start phase I. ***Chairman O'Reilly seconded the motion.*** So voted 2-0, ***motion passed.***

Point person may be Selectman Stuart or Selectman Iocovozzi.

Road Race

The Newington School Supporters submitted a request to hold the annual road race on Sept 9. ***Selectman Iocovozzi moved to*** approve. ***Chairman O'Reilly seconded.*** So voted 2-0, ***motion passed.***

Salt

Morton salt submitted a proposal of \$42.82 p/t for 1,300 tons. ***Selectman Iocovozzi moved*** that the job be given to Morton Salt for the 2006-2007 season. ***Chairman O'Reilly seconded*** the motion. ***Chairman O'Reilly seconded*** the motion. So voted 2-0, ***motion passed.*** Both Selectman Iocovozzi and the road agent, Lenny Thomas, felt that the IceMelt treatment only be used when it very, very cold.

Selectman Iocovozzi stated that some type of upgrade should be done to the town garage due to that fact that the salt and other things will be stored there.

Shrub Maintenance

Chairman O'Reilly stated that he wanted a plan done for landscaping in a form of a recommendation of what should come out and what could be planted to enhance the beauty of each location. After a brief discussion, ***Selectman Iocovozzi moved*** to approve C&R to take care of the bush cutting and shrub maintenance in the amount of \$2000.00 for the Police Station, Fire Station and Town Hall. ***Chairman O'Reilly seconded*** the motion. So voted 2-0, ***motion passed.*** As far as the Library and Old Town Hall, it was suggested that Mr. Wheeler be in touch with representatives from the Library and Historical District Comm.

Piscataqua Drive Repairs

Selectman Iocovozzi stated that it's been 3 years and it is now the Towns responsibility. Selectman Iocovozzi stated he would like to get a price on overlay before they begin the striping. Lenney Thomas will look into getting prices.

Chapell Tractor

The Board wanted more information on the warranty of the tractor, so Lenny Thomas will find out what all is covered. ***Selectman Iocovozzi made a motion to approve Chapell Tractor to repair the tractor in the amount of \$2296.00. Chairman O'Reilly seconded.*** So voted 2-0, ***motion passed.***

Road Striping

After a brief discussion ***Selectman Iocovozzi*** moved to approve Markings Inc. for the road striping in the amount of \$9183.95. ***Chairman O'Reilly seconded.*** So voted 2-0, ***motion passed.***

Town Hall Use

School Supporters requests the use of the bathrooms & kitchen for the Road Race beginning at the Old Town Hall on Sept 9, The Newington Brownies for a sleepover at the Old Town Hall on Aug 11/12, Alfred Smith use of the Old Town Hall and Grove Aug 31. ***Selectman Iocovozzi moved*** to approve all three requests (all fees waived). ***Chairman O'Reilly seconded.*** So voted 2-0, ***motion passed.***

Special Event Permit

Beatrice Marconi suggested that the town charge a minimum of \$25.00 for people to hold events in town to cover administrative time to process. The application was reviewed and ***Selectman Iocovozzi moved*** to approve the new Special Event Permit application and fee. ***Chairman O'Reilly seconded.*** So voted 2-0, ***motion passed.***

Coleman Culvert

The Board of Selectmen discussed very briefly the culvert on Coleman Drive. They came to the conclusion that the culvert should be done and next year the town should fund for the drainage work.

Selectman Iocovozzi moved to adjourn. Chairman O'Reilly seconded the motion. So voted 2-0, motion passed.

Being that there was no further discussion before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:06 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Beatrice Marconi
Town Administrative Assistant