

**Newington Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes**  
**Monday, July 18, 2011 6:00pm Town Hall**

Chr. Iocovozzi called the meeting to order at 6:10pm.

**At 6:10pm, Selectman O'Reilly moved to go into nonpublic under RSA 91:A-3, II (a) Personnel. Selectman Stern seconded and on a roll call vote, the motion passed 3-0.**

*The Board discussed the removal of a tree on Fox Point Road, which was determined to be a misunderstanding.*

*Appropriate disciplinary action was taken and compensation to the town will be made.*

**At 6:13 there was a motion to come out of nonpublic, which was seconded and on a roll call vote, passed 3-0.**

The Board then moved to the DeRochmont Room.

**Present:** Chairman Cosmas Iocovozzi, Selectmen Jack O'Reilly and Rick Stern, John Lamson of the HDC, Administrative Assistant Beatrice Marconi, Road Agent Len Thomas and Chairman of the Conservation Commission Justin Richardson at 7:09pm.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Minute Approval:** S O'Reilly moved to accept the minutes of June 14, July 5 (public and non), July 7 nonpublic, and minutes of July 12. S. Stern seconded. Motion passed 3-0 on a roll call vote.

**Manifest Approval:** S O'Reilly moved to approve the July 14 and 21<sup>st</sup> manifest for payment. S Stern seconded. Roll call 3-0 passed.

**Mott Pond Drainage & Restoration Project:** With about \$ 30,000 in the Mott Project Capital Reserve, the estimate on engineering is approximately \$ 15,200. The DES may advise along the way even after permitting. Road location issues, grade and water line issues, etc are to be considered, however will be an opportunity to restore eel grass. Will be a multiphase project. ***S O'Reilly moved to approve the Altus Engineering proposal not to exceed \$ 15,200. Seconded by S Stern. Roll call – motion passed 3-0.***

**CLG Grant:** John Lamson of the HDC was on hand to answer the Selectmen's questions. This is a multi phased grant process – archeological dig for Goat Island. ***S O'Reilly moved to authorize the Chair to sign the necessary documents for the Division of Historical Resources and Fish & Game. Seconded by S Stern. Motion passed on a roll call vote 3-0.***

**Bid Openings – Cruisers & Printer:** Grace Quality Used Cars bid \$ 4,256 on Car 1 (2008 crown vic 77,364 miles); Yousef Dabbagh bid \$ 2,668. Grace Quality bid \$ 4,656 on Car 2 (2008 crown vic 58,286 miles); Yousef Dabbagh bid \$ 3,168; Grace Quality bid \$ 456 on Car 3 (2001 crown vic 123,714 miles). No Oki printer bids received. ***S Stern moved to accept Grace Quality Used car bids on all three vehicles and S O'Reilly seconded. Motion passed 3-0 on a roll call vote.***

**Shrub/bush/and maintenance proposal for Town Hall:** The Selectmen suggested that building inspector Stowell do a walk around and come up with a spec sheet for equal bidding.

**Stipend Adjustments:** Former Sewer Commission Treasurer will be cut a stipend for a 6 month period based on what the Commissioners requested for their 2011 budget. Our Municipal Treasurer will receive the other half for 2011 when the time comes for payment (March 2012). With the support staff

bookkeeping, sewer accounts payable and booking the deposits, etc on the town's BMSI system, approx. \$70 p/month will be allocated to her work and billed to Sewer. The Sewer Commission Stipends now fall under the Selectmen. The Commissioners and their clerk will be paid their stipend in September and will cover 9 months. Then, they will be paid in March for 6 months which covers them up to elections.

**Selectmen's Access to Town Buildings:** After a discussion, it was determined that a Key Box be set up in the Selectmen's Office for access to all Town Buildings. The Administrative Assistant was asked to draw up a memo to the Chiefs and to include a copy of the legal opinion from the LGC. It was discussed that the secure (records) area at the Fire Station be locked.

**Nimble Hill Gate Warning Sign:** Banner will not work. On a proposal from Portsmouth Sign for a Yellow and Black aluminum style 30" x 60" sign, ***S Stern moved to accept the proposal not to exceed \$ 395.00. S O'Reilly seconded. Motion passed on a roll call vote 3-0.***

**Nimble Hill Road/Arboredum Connector and Little Bay Road Extension:** As discussed, the change orders for both projects were signed to proceed. Regarding PDA approval as they had gate access concerns, ***S O'Reilly moved to rescind the vote of January 24, 2011 establishing the resident clicker purchase policy to now state that the sale of all clickers must be requested of the Board of Selectmen and will be considered on an individual basis depending on need. S Stern seconded. Motion passed 3-0 on a roll call vote.***

**Correspondence:** The Board received a thank you letter from Julie Smith regarding the Town's Donation to the Walk-a-thon.

**Rail Road Depot:** S Stern discussed the notice from the NH Div of Historical Resources regarding a walkthrough of the RR Depot with HDC chairman Gail Pare. The Selectmen felt the Board of Selectmen should be the entity for discussions regarding the State's intent. Meanwhile, Selectman Stern will attend the sitewalk.

**School Planting:** Justin Richardson, Chairman of the Conservation Commission spoke of their intentions regarding the handling of the dearly departed tree. The contractor has offered to replace it but the Con Comm would rather have that simply removed and keep the 2 remaining trees. S Stern asked since it is under warrantee, can the town have it planted elsewhere. In the end, our Highway crew will remove the tree and the town can take the \$500 to \$700 credit for non-replacement at this time.

**Hislop Easement:** Chairman Richardson reports that the verbiage on the easement is being reviewed. The act will be utilizing both Town and State funds. As this project nears its end, it will again come before the Selectmen.

***S O'Reilly moved to adjourn. S Stern seconded and on a roll call vote, the motion passed 3-0.***

Respectively Submitted

Beatrice Marconi  
Administrative Assistant