

Newington Board of Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
Monday, March 7, 2011 Town Hall 6:30pm

Chairman Jan Stuart called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

Present - Chr. Stuart, Selectmen Cosmas Iocovozzi and Jack O'Reilly, Administrative Assistant Beatrice Marconi, John Klanchesser and Justin Richardson (with two beautiful daughters in tow).

Pledge of Allegiance

Selectman O'Reilly moved to accept the minutes of February 22. Selectman Iocovozzi seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Health Inspector's Stipend - With the retirement of our former full time Health Inspector, the Board agreed to value the stipend at \$ 800 as that is the rate it started at.

Communication Tower in Rye - With the tower in Rye needing repair, the area Fire Departments were asked if their towns could contribute collectively to the cost. The Selectmen agreed to participate and stated that the costs would come out of the Communications line in the Fire Department. Selectman O'Reilly will speak to the Chief. If, at year end the Fire Department's bottom line runs shy, they should approach the Board.

Selectman Iocovozzi moved to approve and to come out of the Fire Dept Communications line. Seconded by Selectman O'Reilly. Motion passed 3-0.

Highway Communications Base - Currently Newington's local frequency is shared by Fire, Police and Highway. This radio base would be specifically for communications between highway staff trucks to garage.

Selectman O'Reilly moved to approve and not to exceed \$ 2,384. Selectman Iocovozzi seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Nimble Hill Gate Clicker Program - Selectman Iocovozzi suggested that the road on the Arboredum side of the gate be engineered and hot topped correctly. Before initiating the Clicker Program, the Board felt this was necessary. Our Road Agent will be maintaining that portion of the road.

Workers Comp Supplement - As discussed at the February 22 meeting, the selectmen signed the personnel policy that reflected a town paid supplement of 20% over the 60% workers comp pays individuals who get hurt on the job. This and the other changes discussed at the Feb 7th meeting will take effect April 1, 2011.

Computer In House Person - Corrius charges \$120 p/hr. Certified Computer Solutions charges \$100 p/hr. Dennis O'Brien charges \$ 85 p/hr. Selectman Iocovozzi feels it is important that we get a certificate of insurance from whoever we hire. The AA was asked to consult with our insurance carrier regarding certificates of insurance.

Investment Policy - ***Selectman O'Reilly moved to approve the Town's Investment Policy. Selectman Iocovozzi seconded. Motion passed 3-0.***

Facility Use Requests -

Old Town Hall – Police Dept requested for a training meeting – March 23

Town Hall Audi – Ports Symphony – March 16 for rehearsal

Town Hall Audi – Southeast Water Shed Meeting – March 9

Selectman Iocovozzi moved to approve – waive fee – waived damage deposits. Seconded by Selectman O'Reilly. Motion passed 3-0

Altus Little Bay Road Ext Engineering Proposal - *Selectman O'Reilly moved to approve Tasks 1 – 3 on the Altus Proposal not to exceed \$ 5,000. Selectman locovozzi seconded. Motion passed 3-0.*

Coleman Drive Hot Top - John Klanchesser launched concern for the cracking and buckling of the edges of the new hot top on Coleman. Selectman locovozzi stated it was because the wings were not used when plowing. John also commented on the amount of dirt in the yard due to the path of the plow. Selectman locovozzi said he'd take a look at it.

Town Meeting Day - Justin Richardson asked the Board if the DeRochmont Room could be used for children sitting while the adults were in the auditorium. Board felt that was a great idea and remembered past Town Meetings where this had happened.

Thank You Jan Stuart - Both Justin and John, in addition to the Board and AA thanked Jan for her years served. Cos and Jack noted what a pleasure it was serving with her and in thanks, brought out a cake to celebrate the evening.

At 7:15, a motion was made to adjourn and with a knock from the gavel, the meeting was closed.

Respectively Submitted,

Beatrice Marconi
Administrative Assistant