

1. Convene the meeting.

Chairman Campbell convened the meeting at 7:03PM and introduced the other members present: Vice Chairman Lionel Ingram, Clerk Paul Binette, Joseph Pace, Robert Eastman and Town Manager George Olson.

2. Minutes of Selectmen's meeting of April 26, 2004.

Mr. Binette moved to accept the minutes as submitted; second by Mr. Ingram. VOTE: Unanimous.

3. Proclamation – National Bike/Walk to Work Week.

Clerk Binette read the proclamation for "Bike to Work Day" as Friday, May 21, 2004 in Exeter (attached).

4. Bid award – Water Line Replacement – Court St.

This item is postponed till the May 24th meeting.

5. Third & final reading of 1-hour parking during school hours – Lincoln Street.

Kathryn Roberts, ECCA, noted the spaces would not always be for dropping off students but for parking, as she conducts musical classes for 3 year old children and their parents stay at the class. She noted at the last meeting, the Board discussed 4 diagonal parking spaces. Mr. Olson stated the Board discussed creating more diagonal spaces going down the street. He and Chief Kane measured the area and the road is not wide enough to substantiate those spaces, only the area by ECCA. Part of the space in question was originally designed as a bus stop by the train station but has become diagonal parking without the striping. The recommendation is now to have one diagonal space on each side of the driveway serving 52 Lincoln Street.

Ms. Roberts asked what the reasoning was to lesson the spaces from four to two? Mr. Campbell noted the board must limit spaces, otherwise all the businesses will be in to block spaces in front of their sites.

Mr. Pace reminded the Board this problem will continue over the next two years till the opening of the new high school. We will then be getting requests from the various neighborhoods to remove the one and two hour parking signs in the areas, allowing all day parking for residents. He feels what we are now doing is a good compromise.

Mr. Eastman moved to adopt the one-hour parking as proposed for Lincoln Street; second by Mr. Ingram. VOTE: Unanimous.

6. Third & final reading of amendment to Town Ordinances 1204 – Sanitary Production & Distribution of Food.

The amendment will change the wording in the parenthetical last line of Section 1204 to read: “With updates approved by the Board of Selectmen dated through May 10, 2004”. **Mr. Pace moved to approve the amendment as proposed; second by Mr. Eastman. VOTE: Unanimous.**

7. Third & final reading of addition to Town Ordinance 103, Restricted Parking – Harbor Master.

The proposal is to amend 103.10 to add “Restricted Parking – Harbor Master. Robert H. Stewart Park – parking space at island adjacent to boat launch – to be reserved for the Harbor Master”.

Mr. Binette moved to approve the amendment for restricted parking at Robert H. Stewart Park; second by Mr. Ingram. VOTE: Unanimous.

8. Request to address the Board – Edward C. Duncan, E & Co-Op.

Edward Duncan, President of the Board of Directors for The Exeter-Hampton Cooperative invited Robert Morency to explain the Co-Ops concerns (see attached letter). Mr. Morency will be working with the Co-Op through the application process for a Community Development Block Grant to improve the infrastructure of the mobile home park. As with his efforts with Sherwood Forest, Mr. Morency will help determine if they are eligible for funding but the application process gets handled through the Town.

Lynn Booth, representing NH Community Loan Fund, explained there are 63 co-operatives in NH and she works with assisting low to moderate income dwelling areas (“workforce housing”), child cares, etc., with building and infrastructure work. The Park was purchased in 1999 and the Co-Op has had continuous problem with the pipes since that time. A grant writer is hired and those funds are included in the grant application, so no out-of-pocket funds come from the Town. The money comes to the Town and goes out to the vendors.

The Board agreed they should continue with the application process.

9. First reading of Fire Impact Fees.

Mr. Campbell reminded the Board this is a review of early discussions and a chance to agree with which of the five options recommended they wish to pursue.

Mr. Eastman asked which report of Bruce Mayberry was being considered: August 21 or October 24th, 2003. Mr. Campbell recommended October 24th.

Mr. Eastman stated he does not support an impact fee for the fire at this time. He feels the Fire Station Committee should be charged with a timetable of bringing new information as a proposal for Town Meeting vote. There is currently no data to support the need of a sub-station, noting Mr. Mayberry’s report shows a recommendation of having 1.3 stations in 2025. The Board needs to work with the Committee to determine which direction to go, prior to any impact fees being implemented. With the Water, Sewer and Recreation impact fees, the additional cost to date is \$7,698 for new construction. With the fire, it would rise to \$9,200. The median cost of a lot in Exeter today is \$83,000.

After some discussion, **Mr. Ingram moved to refer the report to the Fire Station Committee and to the Planning Board for their recommendation; second by Mr. Pace. VOTE: Unanimous.**

10. Charge to and appoint Town Manager Search Committee.

Postponed till 5/24. Mr. Pace explained the Board will appoint a committee that will next select the next Town Manager but will narrow the field from any applications, to pass along to a different group for review, with a final decision by the Board of Selectmen. Interested residents and business people should contact the Town Manager's office to leave their name.

11. Authorization to enter into contract w/NH DES Waste Management Division to receive funds for Household Hazardous Waste Day, October 2, 2004

This is the annual authorization to secure 20 cents per capital from the State to assist paying for HHW Day. **Mr. Eastman moved to authorize the Town Manager to execute an agreement and all documents necessary to conduct Household Hazardous Waste Day in Exeter; second by Mr. Ingram. VOTE: Unanimous.**

12. Permits:

- American Legion Auxiliary requested permission for their annual poppy sale on Saturday, May 15th from 10-12;
- Gideon's International requested permission to pass out free New Testament booklets on Front and Linden Streets on May 19th and July from 9A-12 (in front of PEA and the High School);
- PEA requested permission to block off spaces to park 10 Coach buses on the south side of Front Street (between Elliot and Elm Street) on June 3rd for loading and unloading students attending their Senior Prom. This item was held till the 5/24 meeting for further information – Mr. Binette suggested blocking off the north side in order for allowing passage by vehicles when the buses are packed);
- PEA requested permission to block spaces for 3 coach buses on June 3rd on the east side of Elliot Street from 9-11 in order for students to depart for the summer. There will be no parking on the west side 100' south of Front to Court Street. Security officers of PEA will be present.
- ECCA requested the Town Hall on June 5th from 9-2 for a student musical recital;
- Bruce Taylor requested permission for a bike race on June 27th through Town, as part of a seacoast bike trail. The route has been approved by the Police Chief.
- Oyster River Players requested use of the Town Hall on July 5, 6, 7, and 8 from 12:30-4:30 for rehearsals and July 9, 10, 11 for performances.
- Young Life requested the spaces by the Band Stand to hold a fund raiser selling Krispy Kreme donuts on Saturday, May 15th from 8-2.
- EHS Music Boosters requested use of the Town Hall for their annual Christmas Craft Fair on Saturday, December 4th.

Mr. Ingram moved to approve all of the above requests except the PEA request to park buses on Front Street; second by Mr. Pace. VOTE: Unanimous.

13. Town Manager's Items.

- Conservation Commission, per RSA 36A, will hold a public hearing on May 11th at 7PM in the Nowak Room to discuss the purchase of land through conservation easements with Open Space funds as provided by Town Meeting vote. It was noted the Board will also hold a public hearing on the 24th concerning the parcels involved, but this is the first step. Residents are urged to attend.
- The Assessor's office continues to 'advertise' that Vision Appraisal is inspecting 1/3 of the Town's properties beginning this month (1/3 was inspected last year; the remaining 1/3 will be next year). He noted a concern of late is one of their employees bikes to work from Hampton, so is showing up at residents' homes on bicycle. He has appropriate ID's and paperwork with him.
- May 21st is Bike/Walk to Work day at the RPC will offer 'breakfast' goodies at the Bandstand for those participating, from 7-9AM.

14. Selectmen's Committee Reports.

Mr. Pace: Last Monday evening, the Exeter Cable TV Committee discussed proposed upgrades and changes for this year. Funds are accumulated each year to improve the Exeter Channel, including production, cameras, etc. Mr. Sam Bruno will return with a list of recommended equipment to be purchased, to assist with the transition to a DVD format. Once the new high school is on-line, management responsibilities will be split between the school and town regarding the Exeter Government/School channel.

Mr. Ingram: None.

Mr. Eastman: Planning Board this Thursday.

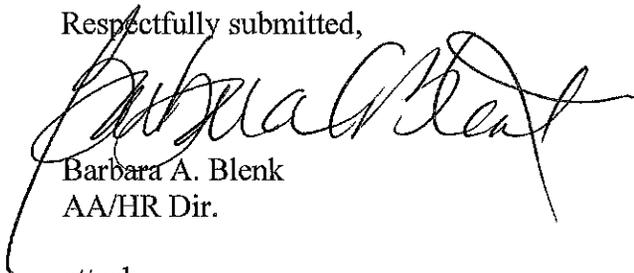
Mr. Binette: EDC meeting on Tuesday? Yes, with Mr. Campbell attending (Mr. Binette is alternate).

Mr. Campbell: Conservation Commission public hearing this Tuesday.

15. Public Comments: None.

Mr. Ingram moved to adjourn; second by Mr. Pace. VOTE: Unanimous. Time: 7:52PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Barbara A. Blenk
AA/HR Dir.

attach.