BOARD OF SELECTMEN



JULY 29, 2002

1. Convene the meeting.

Chairman Pace convened the meeting at 7:00PM on the above date and proceeded to introduce the Board present: Paul Binette, Robert Eastman, William Campbell and Town Manager George Olson. Absent: Lionel Ingram.

2. Read and approve minutes of Selectmen's meeting of July 15, 2002.

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

3. <u>Bid Opening – DPW office building.</u>

Six vendors presented bids for the project (results attached). Chairman Pace asked what the budgeted amount was for the project – Mr. Olson replied \$300,000. Mr. Binette moved to pass the bid results along to the Town Manager, Public Works personnel & Engineer for their review and recommendation to the Board; second by Mr. Eastman. VOTE: Unanimous.

4. <u>Discussion of joining a coalition of "Receiver" towns.</u>

The attached letter was received from Danville Selectmen seeking other State Education Grant 'receiver' towns to form a coalition to represent their views in Concord in preventing future property tax increases resulting from State legislation changes on education taxes.

Mr. Binette quoted several times from a *Union Leader* article, noting Danville has received 25 responses but many towns are not interested. He stated the coalition was only 3 years old and he was not sure what Danville was looking for or why. Chairman Pace noted the purpose is to have an organizational meeting and, in his opinion, we should say 'thank you' but go our own way, adding that 'down the road' we could become a donor town, hence countering what we had been going for.

Mr. Campbell asked if the Town Manager could call and ask more questions concerning fees, meeting schedule, goals to be set — other than what's stated in the letter — before he is comfortable making a decision. Chairman Pace stated he is not comfortable with the Board stating how the Town of Exeter feels. He feels it is not wise to take action now.

5. Change to Town Fee structure – Planning, Town Clerk, Police, Public Works.

Mr. Olson reported the fee structure of the Town is periodically reviewed within Departments. Suggested changes include:

Town Clerk: MV Title Fee (from "listed" \$3 (though only charging \$2) and noting \$25 additional funds are sent to the State;

Voter Registration Checklist (disc), from \$65 to \$65 for one, \$40 each when the list requires 2 discs;

Police:

New - Polaroid \$5

New - Video tape copies \$30

Change:

CFS cards to read "FI Cards/Record

Public Works: Excavation permit from \$50/job + \$2 sq.yd. over 10 sq. yds., to \$100 flat fee; \$15 (not now listed) to \$20

PW Regulations Book

Planning & Building:

Abutter notices

\$4 to \$5

Town Office: Town Ordinances

\$20 (not now listed)

This is the first reading; second and final reading is at the next meeting (August 12).

6 Permits:

- > Don Matheson, representing the Exeter Firefighters, requested permission to hold their "Fill the Boot" drive for MS on Saturday, August 17th from 8AM to 12 noon and blocking off the parking spaces by the Bandstand. Mr. Eastman moved to approve; second by Mr. Campbell. VOTE: Unanimous.
- Lisa Corbin, on behalf of her husband, David Corbin who is running for the State Senate. requested use of the Town Hall for a public lecture on August 31st. The insurance certificate will be on file prior to that date and \$100 deposit will be requested (to insure clean up). Mr. Binette moved to approve; second by Mr. Eastman, VOTE: Unanimous.

7. Town Manager's Items:

- > Congratulations are in order for three members of the Exeter Police Department who recently received a Congressional Award from Congressmen Bass & Sununu for going above and beyond the call of duty. The award was part of the NH Congressional Law Enforcement Awards with the ceremony taking place on July 14th at the Police Academy in Concord. Sgt. James O'Neil, Officers Daniel D'Amato and John Petrosh received the award for their actions in subduing the man with a knife on Linden Street (Mike Amirault). The Board also extended their congratulations. Mr. Campbell suggested a letter to each from the Board, for their personnel files.
- Town Clerk Linda Hartson has announced the filing period for State Representatives will begin July 31st and continue till 5PM on August 9th. Exeter is now in District #83, along with Stratham and North Hampton. There will be eight slots available.

8. Selectmen's Committee reports:

Mssrs. Campbell, Binette and Eastman had no reports. Mr. Pace noted the Arts Committee will hold their next meeting at the Town Office building, noting their meetings are normally held at private homes.

9. **Public Comments:** None

Mr. Eastman moved to adjourn the meeting and to resume in a non-public session to discuss a personnel issue; second by Mr. Binette. Clerk Eastman conducted a roll call vote: Mr. Pace - yes; Mr. Binette - yes; Mr. Campbell - yes; Mr. Eastman - yes. VOTE: 4-0. Time: 7:20PM

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara A. Blenk AA/H. R. Dir.

attach

PUBLIC WORKS OFFICE BUILDING – BIDS, 7/29/02

15considered; 6 rec'd

Complete all work, lump sum

Bernier Corp, Exeter	* 283,072-
Careno Construction Co., Portsmouth	324, 811-
Ricci Construction, Portsmouth	256,790-
Dezan Construction, Inc., Sanbornville	238,6S2-
The Tyree Organization Ltd., Pembroke	332,000-
(No label) FERNALD CONSTRUCT, EPPING	269, 600-