

1. Convene the meeting

Chairman Binette convened the Board at 7:45PM on the above date following the two public hearings as posted. PRESENT in addition to Mr. Binette, Paul Scafidi, Joseph Pace, Robert Rowe and Wendy Stanley Jones. Also present: Town Manager George Olson.

2. Read and approve minutes of January 8th meeting

Mr. Scafidi moved to waive the reading and to approve as submitted; second by Mr. Pace. VOTE: Unanimous. Mr. Pace noted the statement he made concerning a meeting of the Historic District on the 18th to discuss their proposed expansion was in err. The meeting was last Thursday as part of the Planning Board meeting. He apologized for any inconvenience to residents.

3. Parking on Front and Elliot Streets – Update

No correspondence has been received from Phillips Exeter Academy concerning this issue. It was suggested the Board postpone the item for one more week and then begin action.

Martha Pennell, 69 Court Street, noted she has been “sputtering and fussing” over this dangerous situation on Elliott Street for some time and offered several suggestions for consideration.

- Suggests no parking in front of the two buildings on Front Street to the east side of Elliot Street (Admissions Building and adjacent house), just before the cross walk.
- Use of Gilman Street for loading of busses when leaving and arriving for school (Christmas break and start and end of school year). The busses now park on Elliot Street and, she believes, have been within the 30’ of the intersections.
- If the busses are not moved, she suggests they provide security to direct traffic.
- Review the parking in the area of the middle of Elm Street, at the intersection with Maple.
- Day students, now parking on the various streets, should be parking at the ‘Boiler Plant’ parking lot and the Academy should register their names and licenses.
- Many rumors are abound concerning the Academy’s plans for a parking garage on the current tennis courts (testing of soils on-going now?) and a proposed dormitory on Court Street between Cilley and Wentworth Halls. She suggested communications be set up between the Town and the Academy to review future plans, as well as to discuss mutual problems.

Mr. Binette noted the Board is frustrated with the lack of promised correspondence on this matter. Mr. Olson will contact them once more and the item will be scheduled for discussion next week.

4. Discussion and action on petitioned warrant article.

Mr. Rowe moved to support (Article 24) the Conservation Commission article for \$100,000; second by Mr. Scafidi. VOTE: Unanimous.

5. Action on amendment to Selectmen’ Policy 97-21 – Street Acceptance

Mr. Scafidi moved to approve the amendments to the Policy, which now becomes 01-21; second by Ms. Jones. VOTE: Unanimous. (attached)

6. Permits: None

7. Town Manager's Items:

a) The Town Clerk has announced a session of the Supervisors of the Checklist on January 23 from 7-9PM and Saturday, January 27th from 10-12 at the Town Clerk's office. These sessions are to register to vote and to make changes. No one may vote at the Deliberative Session or Town Meeting if they have not registered prior to the deadlines. b) Volunteers are being sought for Boards and Committees. Residents should send letters of interest to the Board of Selectmen. c) Candidates may file for office from January 24th through February 2nd. Positions open include: 2 selectmen, 3 Library Trustees, 1 Trustee of Trusts, 1 Robinson Fund, 1 Swasey Parkway Trustee, 2 Exeter School Board, 1 School Moderator, 1 School Treasurer, 1 School Clerk, 1 Co-op School member, 1 Co-op Moderator. d) Deliberative Session is February 10th at the Town Hall at 9AM. Town Meeting is Tuesday, March 13th, with polls open from 8AM to 8PM.

8. Selectmen's Committee Reports:

Mr. Pace reported on the Planning Board hearing regarding the Historic District proposed expansion. There was a large turnout and, because it was felt not enough details had been provided to those residents affected, the item was taken off the table for this year. They will discuss throughout the year via public forums and present it at next year's Town Meeting. He thanked the Board for responding to the residents' requests

Mr. Scafidi has a Parks Advisory meeting Tuesday, which he is unable to attend, and a Water/Sewer Advisory meeting on Wednesday.

Mr. Rowe noted, also, the Planning Board was well attended.

Ms. Jones has a Council on Aging meeting on Thursday, January 18th at 2:30 and all are invited to attend.

Mr. Binette stated he was unable to attend the Recreation Advisory Committee meeting re-scheduled for last Tuesday.

9. Public comments: None.

Mr. Scafidi moved to adjourn; second by Ms. Jones. VOTE: Unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,


Barbara A. Blenk

AMENDMENT TO SELECTMEN'S POLICY 97-21 (becomes 01-21)

Section 1. Application: paragraph (a), new sentence to read:

“Requests will only be accepted between April 1 and November 15 of each year.”

[Note: The purpose of this change is to re-establish a cut-off date for acceptance requests and to ensure the construction and legal work is completed at the time of the requests.]

Section 2. Requirements:

Delete para. (g) “Interim Maintenance”

[Note: The purpose of this change is to remove the option to the developer for Public Works to maintain the road until they complete all their remaining work and obligations.]

Signed this 15TH day of JANUARY, 2001.

Paul A. Gmitter

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