

MINUTES
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 8, 1998
DOVER CITY COUNCIL
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
7:00 P.M.

1. MOMENT OF SILENCE

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilor Reese led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

Members Present: Councilor Reese, Councilor Wilson, Councilor Berry, Councilor Jalbert, Councilor Johnson, Councilor Landry, Mayor Pro Tem Perry, Councilor Rawding, Mayor Wil Boc

4. PUBLIC HEARING

None.

5. CITIZEN'S FORUM

Edith Holly, 245 Pickering Road, spoke regarding Exit 10. Ms. Holly is in opposition to Exit 10. She spoke about revising the Tax Structure versus continuing to bring in Industry and destroying the Ecosystem on Sixth Street.

Ed Murphy, Chairman of Recreation Advisory Board, stated the Board endorses the Longhill Park proposal. The one acre proposal is a non-used section of the park. Proceeds from the sale of the land will go to the park development. Middleton Lumber's offer of \$75K is very generous. Middleton's offer also includes over \$30K of in kind services over and above the \$75K. Ed stated the City gains tax revenue, the neighborhood wins by improving the park. The value of surrounding properties will likely rise due to park upgrades. Ed stated the neighborhood will be involved with the final decision of the design of the park. He concluded, it is not the practice of the Recreation Advisory Board to endorse the selling of any park property. They do, however, urge the City Council to grant permission to sell this property. This is a win-win for all.

Jim Jewell, Sixth Street. Mr. Jewell addressed Exit 10 East and West (passed out flyer). Exit 10 East will serve Somersworth. However, he stated Exit 10W does not serve Northern Dover, Gonic, Barrington or Rochester. He suggested eliminating Exit 10W. Wants to propose a suggestion, proactively eliminate Exit 10 W from the plan.

Rick Spurlin, 76 Glenwood Avenue. Spoke on behalf of the Dover Football Boosters, as President. Mr. Spurlin spoke in favor of the lights at Dunaway Field. He stated over \$100K has been raised over the last ten years due to fund raisers. The funds raised help

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reduce the athletic budget. He stated Dover has the best possible setting for the sports competitions. As President, he urged the Council to approve this resolution as quickly as possible.

William Allen, 33 Longhill Road. Mr. Allen stated he is in favor of selling the land at Longhill Park. He wants the money to go to the park and wants neighbors to be on a committee for the plans. This park is needed for the kids that live on the north end of town. He stated \$75K will go farther than nothing. Requests the council votes in favor of this resolution.

Gary Cyr, Landing Way. Mr. Cyr stated herepresents 260 parents who support the track activities. Our students are important. He stated what is important is the track and after 18 years, it is a priority. In Class L, the City of Dover can not host one meet in the State of New Hampshire. Please give this some serious thought as far the dollar allocations. We have an excellent coach and we need to give him the tools to do his job.

Bob Hannan, School Board Chairman. Mr. Hannan spoke in favor of the lighting for Dunaway Field. He added that in 1966, \$50,500 was specifically designated for the lighting. Thirty-one years later we have to replace the lights. He urges council members to support this so the City can move forward on the planning so the lights can be in place for July 4th.

Don Mitchell, Representing DMEA. Mr. Mitchell stated there was much discussion in 1989 to bring in flex time and expand hours. In 1990, the flex committee was never formed. In 1994, flex time was supported by employees by 79%. In 1995, a Customer Information/Relations Action team was created and a survey was conducted, however, nothing matured. He stated if there is a perception that DMEA does not support this; that is wrong. Mr. Mitchell also stated implementation is exclusive to the City Manager. The policy decision is made by the Council. Our failure to use technology has been due to: reduction of staff, privatization, elimination of training funds, hiring freeze, lowball consulting contracts, and telephones that are antiquated.

Mitchell continued by stating, what we would like is for the Council to consider the following items if we are to go into extended hours: Welfare needs some type of security, we need to ensure security for handling money, the police department must be open to handle the citizens who have had their auto's tagged before they are able to register them. He also noted there might be some problems with state/local offices not being open, and work with State and Federal laws for breaks.

As we move forward and expand services, merely leave the fourth part that allows the City Manager to decide.

George Liset, Lexington Street. Mr. Liset stated he coaches and teaches at the Middle School. He spoke in favor of the lights and track at the High School. He stated since we are relocating the Middle School, this is the perfect opportunity to utilize the best of

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two worlds. We are doing ourselves a disservice by not keeping up our facilities. He stated Dover is a great city; lets get the track and lights fixed this year.

Dave Abbott, Longhill Road. Mr. Abbott would like to see Longhill Park fixed up it, he stated it is currently not safe. He would also like to invest in lights and the track at the High School. Let's invest some money so everybody can benefit from it.

Seeing no one else wishing to speak, the Mayor closed the Citizen's Forum.

6. MINUTES

- A. Minutes of March 11,1998 – Regular Meeting
- B. Minutes of March 18,1998- Workshop
- C. Minutes of March 25, 1998 –Workshop

Perry moved to accept as amended, seconded by Berry.
Motion passed on a 8-0 vote.

7. MAYOR'S REPORT

On 3/22 the Mayor attended the Greek Independence Celebration, and he stated it was a huge success and he learned a great deal about Greek culture and Greek independence. On 3/25, Mayor Pro Tem Perry attended the Flag Raising ceremony for Greek Independence Day. On 3/31, the Mayor attended a ribbon cutting ceremony for the Dover office of the Prudential Rush Realty on Central Avenue. On 4/4, the Mayor presided over the opening of the Special Olympics swim event at the Butterfield Gym.

The Mayor commended Police Chief Fenniman and George Wattendorf for bringing to the nation's attention that the City of Dover does not tolerate domestic violence. This was televised on Dan Rather's **48 Hours**.

He commended the Dover Little Green Cheerleaders who are preparing for the national competition in Myrtle Beach on 4/25. He stated last year, in their first appearance, they placed second against difficult competition from as far west as Indiana and as far south as Florida. He asked everyone to support them in their fund raising efforts.

Perry moved to accept the report, seconded by Jalbert.

Motion passed on an 8-0 vote.

8. REPORTS OF STANDING AND SPECIAL COMMITTEES

- A. Solid Waste Advisory – Councilor David Landry

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Landry stated that the Solid Waste Advisory met on 3/19. He stated that the minutes of the 2/12 meeting were accepted. Guests included Councilman Bill Wilson and Marc Fortier from **Foster's**. He stated they discussed changing the color of the garbage bags from orange to green. He added, curbside collection of brush will be the week of 4/13. Only tree limbs and brush will be picked up. Household Hazardous Waste Day is scheduled for 4/26 at the Recycling Center on River Street. Notices were sent to residents. He noted, expanded hours for the Recycling Center are noon to 4 p.m. beginning Sunday, 4/12 for a couple of months – then again in the fall. He stated the next meeting will be held on 4/16 at 6:00 PM. The public and members of the council are welcome.

B. Planning Board – Councilor Jerry Reese

Reese stated that the Planning Board has had 2 meetings. On 3/24 there was a regular Planning Board meeting. The bulk of the meeting was on approving Gravel Pit Renewals. Brox, Industries, Tolend Road, Griffin, Mast Road Sand and Gravel (Mast Road), Mast Road Sand and Gravel, Spruce Lane were all approved.

Also, discussion was continued on the Capital Improvements Program (CIP). The second meeting was held on 4/7 which was a Workshop. He stated the Planning Board will vote next week on their CIP Recommendation.

C. Joint Building Committee – Councilor W. Scott Rawding

Rawding stated that the JBC had 3 meetings. On 3/17 they had the first Citizens Forum. We reviewed clay problems and changes in the building from brick and block to steel construction. On 3/31, after reviewing the clay data, it was decided to move the site to hard rock, which has minimum clay impact. They also, changed the design from a two-story building to a partial three-story. Councilor Rawding displayed the redesign of the school.

He stated they went into non-public session and amended the construction manager's contract. Amendments were made on paragraphs 2.23, not to exceed an amount of \$125K for a total amount of \$425K including fixed fee of \$300K. That vote was passed 5-0.

At the 4/7 meeting, they moved closer to getting a Clerk of Works and reviewed Parking. He stated the Planning Director addressed the 230 parking spaces which met only the minimum requirements. They also looked at the different types of brick. The Construction Manager feels we can save a number of weeks labor time using the larger brick. There will be another JBC meeting on 4/14 at 7 PM. The Mayor asked if occupancy was still scheduled for 9/99. Councilor Rawding stated we are still on time.

The Mayor asked if there was a building that could be viewed to see what the brick looks like. P. Johnson stated, not the color but the size and that is at Woodside Apartments at UNH.

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Reese asked if the three JBC members are comfortable with the trade off of parking versus playing field? Rawding stated the council members and his #1 concern is a sound building, then we need parking space, then playing fields.

Berry stated currently the plan is to use this building as a full service community building and to be used as an emergency building for the City. We are all in favor of playing fields, but foremost the building should be adequate for the public to be able to use that facility.

Johnson stated the location helps to offset the loss of the second field.

D. Ad Hoc Electrical Partnership Committee – Mayor Pro Tem Otis Perry

Perry stated that the committee last met on 4/2. They heard a presentation from Public Service Company of New Hampshire regarding problems and pitfalls if we decide to go to a municipalization process. They also heard from Carl Palmer who is from Utah and is involved in municipal electric systems. He discussed how to avoid stranded cost. Next meeting scheduled for 4/16 – RKG will make a short presentation.

E. Parking and Traffic Committee - Councilor David Landry

Landry stated Parking and Traffic was formed earlier this year. There will be a meeting 4/15 at 6 PM in the Council Chambers. The Public is invited; the topic on the agenda is the Exit 10 issue. He encouraged residents to come.

F. Coast Bus – Councilor James Jalbert

Coast Board met on 3/18 and discussed a number of items. 1st Item – The Director has resigned and no new director has been hired. 2nd Item – The University and Coast has changed their relationships. Jalbert stated UNH has been the official operator and Coast designed the route system. What has happened now is that UNH wants to run Routes 3, 4, 5 independently of Coast. UNH will redesign the routes to be more accessible for students. He stated, at this time there is a chance to make some wholesale changes in the remaining routes. He stated we may have a chance to move up Coast 2000. He asked the Mayor to schedule a Workshop for Coast. The City Manager stated the Workshop is scheduled for 6/24. Jalbert briefly discussed House Bill 647 which allows for a user fee to be charged ,based on car registration.

Landry discussed the bus service for Waldron Towers. Jalbert discussed the way the routes are slated, he added there will be a lot of routes from downtown to Shaw's Plaza. Landry offered his assistance.

Perry moved to accept the report, seconded by Reese.
Motion passed on an 8-0 vote.

9. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

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The City Manager reported that our Revenue collection is at 87%; expenditures are at 79%. He noted this spending is due to the storms. On the Economic Development front for the month of March, we issued 40 building permits for a total value of \$1.7 million. Five new single family home permits.

He also asked the Council to consider an abatement request for Bob Hannan through an oversight of his. It was not on the agenda. He asked Council to grant the abatement and pay his average monthly payment of \$72.49.

Rawding raised a concern regarding the Brush Pile. He stated the lacrosse players are starting to use Maglaras Park and the brush pile is in the way. When will it be taken care of? The City Manager stated, if you pass #7, we will be grinding by next week.

Perry stated he was concerned with passing Mr. Hannan's abatement without discussion. He asked if the meters have been tested? The Mayor stated we will deal with this under Council Matters.

Reese moved to accept the report as given with the deletion of R. Hannan, seconded by Jalbert.

Motion passed on a 8-0 vote.

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. ORDINANCES IN 2ND READING

None

B. ORDINANCES IN 3RD READING

None

C. RESOLUTIONS

1. Resolution RE: Acceptance of the Action Plan/ Proposed Expenditure for the fiscal year 1998 entitlement funds of the Community Development Block Grant Program. Sponsored by Mayor Wil Boc by Request.

Berry moved to adopt, seconded by Johnson. Perry abstained.

Mr. Beecher stated this was addressed last week.

Landry asked if CDBG funds can be used for design of engineering in part?
Rick Jones stated, yes it can.

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The Mayor asked what is the Program Administration fee \$110K? Administrative costs for the City to run the program. The Mayor asked if they are staff costs. Steve stated, yes, they are administrative costs for approximately three to 4 open program years.

Motion passed on a 7-0 roll call vote. Perry abstained.

11. NEW BUSINESS:

A. CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Resolution RE: Award of RFP#B98051 for Ammunition. Sponsored by Mayor Wil Boc, by Request.
2. Resolution RE: Award of Purchase Order for Professional Surveying Services, Deed Research and Preliminary Subdivision of the Existing Middle School. Sponsored by Mayor Wil Boc, by Request.
3. Resolution RE: To Accept 1997 Local Source Water Protection Grant Fund Sponsored by Mayor Wil Boc ,by Request
4. Resolution RE Award of Bid #B98060 for Reflectorized Pavement Marking. Sponsored by Mayor Wil Boc by Request
5. Resolution RE: Award of Bid #B98052 for Police Department Clothing Sponsored by Mayor Wil Boc, by Request
6. Resolution RE: Award of Bid #B97053 for Fireworks. Sponsored by Mayor Wil Boc, by Request
7. Resolution RE: Award of Bid #B98063 for Brush Grinding Services Sponsored by Mayor Wil Boc, by Request
8. Tag – Hope New England
9. Tag - Dover Little Green Cheerleaders
10. Wetlands Permit - City of Dover

Perry moved to adopt A1-6, Grant 8 and 9, and accept and place on file 10, seconded by Berry.

Rawding stated that he would like to remove 11A 2 to become 11B 10.

Motion, as amended to remove 11A 2, passed on a 8-0 roll call vote.

B. RESOLUTIONS

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1. Resolution RE: Award of RFP #B98046 for Professional Services Relative to Preliminary Engineering Services of a SCADA. Sponsored by Mayor Wil Boc, by Request.

Perry moved to adopt, seconded Johnson.

Mr. Beecher gave the background information.

Rawding asked if there are any other communities that already have this installed and is this a proven savings? City Manager stated that Rochester and other communities also utilize this system. Reese asked where this would physically be located. Bobinsky indicated it would be at the Griffin Well Treatment facility and the River Street pumping station and equipment will be installed in all pumping stations.

Motion passed on an 8-0 roll call vote.

2. Resolution RE: Award of Blanket Purchase order for an Environmentally Friendly Ice Melting Liquid. Sponsored by Mayor Wil Boc, by Request.

Perry moved to adopt, seconded Berry.

Mr. Beecher gave background information.

Rawding asked a question regarding the timing of this purchase. The City Manager indicated the price will hold for the whole year. The City Manager doesn't feel the price fluctuates that much.

Reese asked why we are purchasing this in this budget. City Manager stated, this is a Blanket Purchase Order to use as needed and hopefully, we won't need it until next December.

Motion passed on an 8-0 roll call vote.

3. Resolution RE: City Hall Hours. Sponsored by Mayor Pro Tem Perry and Councilor Bill Wilson.

Wilson moved to adopt, seconded by Landry.

Wilson stated basically we have arrived at a point where all affected have agreed to open City Hall. Reese stated the hours are negotiable and is concerned with the now therefore section. The City Manager recommended removing paragraphs 1 – 3 and leaving 4.

Reese moved to amend the time frame to 7/1/98 and delete items 1, 2, and 3 in the now, therefore, section.

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Motion to amend passed on a 7-1, Rawding opposed.

Main Motion as amended passed on a 7-1, Rawding opposed.

4. Resolution RE: Appropriation for FY 99 Capital Improvements Program and Authorization for Bonding. Sponsored by Mayor Wil Boc, by Request.

Perry moved to adopt, seconded by Berry.

Perry moved to substitute in the whole, seconded by Berry. Substitution passed on an 8-0 vote. Perry moved to refer the amended resolution to a Public Hearing on 4/15, seconded by Jalbert.

Motion to move substituted amendment to a Public Hearing passed on a 8-0 roll call vote.

5. Resolution RE: Award of Blanket Purchase Order for Professional Consulting Legal Assistance. Sponsored by Mayor Wil Boc, by Request.

Perry moved to adopt, seconded by Reese.

Mr.

Beecher stated we have incurred some additional legal expenses to pay and staff recommends approval of this resolution.

Reese asked if these expenses are part of monies to be recouped. City Manager stated, No.

Motion passed on 8-0 roll call vote.

6. Resolution RE: Award of Bid # 98054 for Sand and Gravel. Sponsored by Mayor Wil Boc, by Request.

Item Withdrawn

7. Resolution RE Award of Bid #98061 for Pavement Marking Services. Sponsored by Mayor Wil Boc, by Request.

Mr. Beecher explained it is time to paint the streets again. This year the price is actually cheaper.

Rawding asked if this included sidewalks and crosswalks.

City Manager stated, yes, this is for crosswalks and striping.

Perry moved to adopt, seconded by Rawding.

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Motion passed on an 8-0 roll call vote.

8. Resolution RE: Authorization to Purchase Land-Tolend Landfill Closure.
Sponsored by Mayor Wil Boc, by Request.

Perry moved to adopt, seconded by Berry.

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Peschel gave background on the of consent decree and explained the purpose for purchasing the fifty four (54) acres. The City Manager stated Dover is responsible for 36% of the cost. The City has set up an account and this goes against our cost towards the closure.

Berry asked Peschel to show the outline of the landfill.

Dean stated we currently own the landfill and the adjacent area.

The Mayor asked if we could use this as green space. Dean stated, yes, the City could.

Perry asked if we really can use this with it being posted? Dean stated it does not have hazardous waste on it unless your drink from a well dug on the land.

Landry asked if the land is private; does it have to be posted? Dean stated – No.

Rawding asked if the land we are buying is contaminated. Dean stated a little in the ground water.

Rawding asked what are the City's liabilities. City Manager stated very little; any proposed work should take care of it.

Perry moved to adopt, seconded by Berry.

Motion passed on an 8-0 roll call vote.

9. Resolution RE: Support for Athletic Field Lighting. Sponsored by Mayor Wil Boc, by Request.

The Mayor stated he would vote in favor of this, if he has to vote.

Reese is in support, he used an analogy of house equipment wearing out. These lights are 32 years old and believes this is a community asset.

Jalbert stated Judd Dunaway gave alot to this community (football field, pool, hospital) the least we can do is give back.

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Johnson indicated this is a community use facility. He also added thirty one year old lights is not a maintenance issue; they are just obsolete.

Perry stated he can not support this resolution because this only covers 28 to 35 events per year in relation to other needs of the City.

Landry stated three items need to be clarified for him, are these lights a safety hazard, are we jeopardizing July 4th activities, and does the football team play better at night?

The Mayor indicated safety is okay since the power for the lights is shut off; the July 4th activities will not be jeopardized because they are tentatively scheduled to be at Garrison Hill.

Landry asked is this a school priority? He also recommended that we consider Capital Reserve funds for these types of projects.

Hannan indicated there is a School Board meeting next Monday to prioritize CIP issues.

Rawding stated this is a feel good resolution, of course he supports the lights and track but this has no money attached. Rawding stated he doesn't feel this resolution is necessary and he is only supporting the things that need to be done. This item is #8 on his priority list of CIP.

Berry stated this is going to support the community.

Wilson stated he supports the resolution, supports the lights, but feels this would be a good community fund raiser. He added there should be a better way to fund the lights.

Johnson suggested that Councilors who don't plan to support this in CIP should vote against it tonight.

Reese stated if we use Perry's figures, this comes out to \$123 per event for 30 years or \$191 per event for 20 years.

Landry stated he is in favor of these items (lights and track), but supports a Capital Reserve. It is more than costs per event, there is also interest over the 15 years.

Jalbert feels a user fee should be pushed toward, he too, supports using Capital Reserve Funds but added we are increasing the use of our assets.

Perry stated we could also use the same principal as putting off the purchase of the fire truck.

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Berry stated there are some funds already from gate receipts that go into maintenance.

Hannan explained we have used funds from the gate receipts to fix the auditorium carpet, Lacrosse nets, etc.

Johnson stated it is not the School Board's fault. Capital Reserves are not allowed or have never been established.

Hannan indicated the school has pursued Capital Reserves with the council before.

Rawding stated he would support establishing a Capital Reserve account.

Motion passed on 5-3 vote. Landry, Perry, and Wilson opposed.

10. Resolution RE: Award of Purchase Order for Professional Surveying Services, Deed Research and Preliminary Subdivision of the Existing Middle School. Sponsored by Mayor Wil Boc, by Request.

Perry moved to adopt, seconded by Berry.

Rawding asked why we have to go outside to get consultants? City Manager stated this was to do survey work and the research to allow the City to transfer the Middle School to the State for the consolidated court. The City was under time constraint to make that commitment to the court accreditation committee to put the court in that building.

Rawding asked if it is possible to get some of the monies back from the State that we incurred. This is the taxpayers monies and we should try to get some back from the State. City Manager stated we won't get cash back, however, the City should get opportunities for capital type improvements.

Motion passed on an 8-0 roll call vote.

Perry moved to suspend the rules to introduce a Resolution regarding Household Hazardous Waste Collection Services, seconded by Berry. It did not make it on the Agenda. This will become Item 11B 11 on the Agenda.

Motion passed on an 8-0 roll call vote.

11. Resolution RE Award of RFP #B98011 For Household Hazardous Waste Collection Services.

Perry moved to adopt, seconded by Johnson.

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Landry stated he had not seen this resolution. He stated this resolution will award the bid to Clean Venture to do the hazardous waste collection for \$12,215 which is Dover's estimated share. Other shares come from Madbury and State of NH DES. Landry stated this is the same company we used last year, and were very pleased with their services.

Motion passed on an 8-0 roll call vote.

The Mayor asked if the Council was interested in any discussion regarding the Longhill Park. He stated the item is not on the Agenda and it was previously tabled.

Wilson moved to remove from the table, seconded by Berry.

Motion passed on an 6-2. Landry and Perry opposed.

12. Resolution RE Authorization to Sell Surplus Real Estate Property, Longhill Park. Sponsored by Mayor Wil Boc, by Request.

Wilson stated he will support this resolution, he noted, Middleton Lumber has agreed to a privacy fence across the back. Wilson stated he wants to be sure Middleton agrees to the fence not only in the back, but to the street on the left of their property.

Bobinsky stated there are conditions that have to be met prior to the sale.

Mayor suggested we need to amend the resolution to also add provided that the City complies with all the Federal, State, and local laws and regulations that would cover the requirement to trade off another acre of land.

Wilson restated he wants an appropriate fence added to the amendment.

Perry stated he wants us to find more than a piece of land. He also stated he would like some of the money to go into an account to be used for this park for the life of the park.

Rawding stated he would like added that there should be a formal neighborhood committee for design of the park.

Berry moved to adopt, seconded by Wilson.

Johnson stated we have a lot of recreation land. He displayed a map showing all our Green Space. He further stated he supports the resolution.

Berry would like \$15K in Capital Reserve for maintenance.

Landry stated he doesn't think anyone has stated they don't want to

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develop the park. He stated he asked at the last meeting; how much is this going to cost to fix?

City Manager stated about \$42K, plus in kind services.

Bobinsky stated we are looking at \$5K per year needed for routine efforts toward maintenance.

The City Manager suggested the following break of the \$75K
\$30K put in to trust fund, and
\$42K spent on the park; which does not include in kind services

Jalbert asked regarding the abutters. Is there any other interested parties who have inquired to the City Manager regarding this piece of property.

The City Manager stated – No.

Jalbert reclarified the statement that no other abutters has inquired with the City Manager on this specific piece of property. The City Manager responded again, no one has contacted him.

Mayor made a motion to amend, seconded by Landry.

Motion passed on a 7-1. Reese opposed.

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Berry motioned to suspend the rules to complete the agenda, seconded by Jalbert. Motion passed on an 6-2 roll call vote. Reese and Jalbert opposed.

C. ORDINANCES IN THEIR 1ST READING

1. Ordinance #4-04/08/98, Chapter 3, Administrative Code. Section 3- 4.1 City Hall Hours. Sponsored by Mayor Pro Tem Otis Perry

Perry moved to refer to a Public Hearing 5/13, seconded by Berry.
Motion passed on an 8-0 vote.

2. Ordinance #5-04/08/98, Chapter 3, Administrative Code,Section3-55, Cemetery Board. Sponsored by Mayor Wil Boc by Request.

Perry moved to refer to a Public Hearing 5/13, seconded by Jalbert.
Motion passed on an 8-0 vote.

D. COUNCIL CORRESPONDENCE

1. Letter from Media One – Adjustment of Monthly Statements

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Perry moved to accept and place the letter on file, seconded by Berry. Motion passed on a 7-0 vote. Reese abstained.

12. COUNCIL MATTERS OF INTEREST

A. Abatement Water RE Robert Hannan

Hannan stated the property is presently for sale; it is a duplex. He stated he went through the process and requested an abatement and it was turned down. He stated he went to two meetings held at 4:15 in afternoon. He explained that he received a document that stated the meter was stopped and needed to be repaired. Later he was told the meter was not stopped and didn't need to be repaired. But the meter was replaced anyway. Mr Hannan stated at the first meeting the abatement was turned down because the new meter was still reading high, so water usage must be up. Mr Hannan stated at his second meeting the meter was tested and was reading 223% higher.

Mr Hannan stated he is requesting to pay the average of the two prior bills of which it would \$72.49.

Rawding requested the DUC process be explained.

Wilson asked was the meter bad?

Bobinsky stated no, it was not bad. He stated the first meter tested out at 98%, which is within our standards. Bobinsky stated our standards are 95 to 100%. He added the second meter was bad.

Bob Hannan stated the meter was stopped.

Perry asked if the second bill is an estimated bill and Why didn't he go back to another actual bill. Hannan stated prior to this, there were different tenants.

Hannan stated in March 1997 it was estimated \$89

Berry feels we need to improve the process to be a more user friendly one.

Rawding stated he is still not clear if the meter was working properly. He also added that the process and the hours are not convenient for most residents.

Motion to grant passed on a 7-1 roll call vote. Perry opposed.

Berry stated he attended a symposium in Bedford on Claremont Educational funds issues. He added we should keep an eye on the Legislation.

Rawding concerned about Claremont Funding and effects on Dover. He stated the Governor and the Legislature needs to look at the ABC Plan very closely. He

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continued by stating he is opposed to Exit 10 W and is in favor of Exit 9 Cloverleaf.
Rawding added we need to look into alternatives for Exit 10.

Reese had a questions regarding the north end Fire Station and to keep regionalization in mind.

Reese stated if meetings are going to continue this late, then he would opt to go back to two (2) meetings per month.

13. **ADJOURNMENT**

Perry moved to adjourn meeting, seconded by all.

KAREN L. LARSON
CITY CLERK