

PUBLIC HEARINGS
JUNE 25, 2002 - 7:00 P.M.
TOWN HALL

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Art Goodrich	Doug Lyford	Jack Johnson	Cora Brooks
Bunny Flint	Larry Allen	Diane Mattoon	Brian Sanborn
Tim Lathrop	Brian Farnham	Rick Ackerman	Ed Kuban
John Upham	Frank Ricker	Dave Rochat	Barb Rochat
Jim Veneziano	Anne Carroll	David Leggio	Albert Barsch
Susan Morse	Phoebe Morss	Nancy Royce	Rufus Royce
William Royce	Shirley Streeter	Nick DeFrieze	Tim Thibadeau
Jane Cushman			

CHELSEA WATER DEPARTMENT ORDINANCE

This ordinance combines the previous water and sewer ordinance and adds the \$250 connection fee plus hourly rate for work done on any connections by the Water Department personnel. A question regarding the enforcement of this ordinance was raised. As in the past, the Selectboard, with the help of the water department employees, will be the enforcers. No objections were raised. The ordinance will be in effect on July 6, 2002.

ORDINANCE REGULATING ATVS

Diane read the revised definition of an "ATV". Discussion, both for and against the ordinance followed. Tim Thibadeau, an ATV enthusiast, from New Hampshire discussed several changes that it would be good to address. He recommended setting a weight limit of 1,000 lbs and to not allow closed circuit (racing) machines. He advised forming an ATV Club. One common complaint against ATVs is excessive speed. Tim feels opening the town roads to ATVs would help this problem. Those using the roads illegally, ride fast to avoid getting caught. The fact that adopting this ordinance does not give riders the right to ride on private property was stressed. Pursuant to Title 24 V.S.A., Chapter 59 § 1973, the citizens have the right to petition for a vote on an ordinance within 44 days of its adoption. Due to the confusion regarding the time frame for filing the petition, Jack recommended those unhappy with the ordinance, present a petition to the Board. He will check with the Secretary of State or VLCT Law Center to see what can be done to resolve this confusion. The ordinance is in effect on July 6th.

ORDINANCE REGULATING DISPOSAL OF SOLID WASTE THROUGH OPEN
BURNING AND INCINERATION

John Upham discussed the pros of the ordinance. Doug expressed his dislike for "rules" but acknowledged that it is necessary to prevent burning of solid waste. No further discussion. The ordinance will be in effect on July 6, 2002.

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

A true copy.
Attest: Heidi H. Chapman
Asst. T. Clerk