

**SPECIAL MEETING
BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN
(ROAD HEARING)**

April 26, 1999

5:30 PM

Mayor Wieczorek called the meeting to order.

Mayor Wieczorek called for the Pledge of Allegiance; this function being led by Alderman Shea.

A moment of silent prayer was observed.

The Clerk called the roll.

Present: Aldermen Klock (late), Clancy, Pinard, O'Neil, Shea, Pariseau, Cashin, Thibault, and Hirschman

Absent: Alderman Wihby, Klock, Reiniger, Sysyn, Rivard, Girard

Mayor Wieczorek advised that the first purpose of the road hearing was to hear those wishing to speak in favor of or in opposition to proposed street discontinuance petitions; that each petition shall be addressed individually at which time the Public Works Director shall be requested to make a presentation following which those wishing to speak in favor will be heard, followed by those wishing to speak in opposition; that anyone wishing to speak must first step to the nearest microphone when recognized and recite his/her name and address in a clear, loud voice for the record; that each person will be given only one opportunity to speak and any questions must be directed to the Chair.

**A. Petition for Discontinuance
Lake Avenue South Back Street**

Mayor Wieczorek requested that Frank Thomas, Public Works Director, make a presentation.

Mr. Thomas stated Lake Avenue South Back Street that was being requested for discontinuance was discontinued by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen on May 20, 1930. Our records had indicated that it was discontinued, however, we couldn't locate the minutes of that meeting to verify that. However, Tom Arnold and the City Clerk's Office did locate those minutes and, in fact, there was a formal action taken to discontinue the road.

**B. Petition for Discontinuance
A portion of Sumpter Avenue**

Mayor Wieczorek requested that Frank Thomas, Public Works Director, make a presentation.

Mr. Thomas stated a portion of Sumpter Avenue, 100' southerly from Titus Avenue was petitioned for discontinuance by Daniel and Deborah Hall of 29 Titus Avenue. The Board of Mayor and Aldermen accepted Sumpter Avenue from Titus Avenue, this 100' southerly on May 14, 1969. Sumpter Avenue has never been really built open and traveled by the public per se. If you go down and take a look at it you will see it is a leveled off graveled area. We support the discontinuance. The remainder of Sumpter Avenue, approximately 110' beyond that was released from public status by RSA 231:51 which basically says that after 20 years a street that is platted that is not open loses its public status. So what you will be viewing tonight is the first 100' that was accepted by the Board on May 14, 1969 and we support the discontinuance.

Mayor Wieczorek called for those wishing to speak in favor.

Mr. Daniel Hall, 29 Titus Avenue, Manchester, NH stated I do not believe that Sumpter Avenue is necessary for travel. The rear portion of Sumpter Avenue as this other gentlemen had said was discontinued. Trees and growth exist in the right-of-way. The trees are getting old and falling into my yard. Nobody is taking care of it. It is not maintained by the City and if it is discontinued, I would maintain it.

Mayor Wieczorek called for those wishing to speak in opposition.

There were none.

TABLED ITEM

**C. Petition for Discontinuance
Southerly unused portion of Page Street**

This item remained on the table.

On motion of Alderman Cashin, duly seconded by Alderman Pariseau, it was voted to recess the meeting to proceed to the areas of the petitions for viewing.

Mayor Wieczorek called the meeting back to order at the site of the first petition:

B. Petition for Discontinuance
A portion of Sumpter Avenue

Members of the Board viewed the area of the petition. On motion of Alderman Pariseau, duly seconded by Alderman Klock, it was voted to discontinue a portion of Sumpter Avenue.

There being no further business to come before the road hearing, on motion of Alderman O'Neil, duly seconded by Alderman Klock, it was voted to adjourn.

A True Record. Attest.

City Clerk