

BELLINGHAM PLANNING BOAED
PLANNING BOARD ROOM-TOWN HALL
BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS

Executive Session of June 8, 1972

Members Present: James E. Hart, Chairman
Sergio Rotatori, Vice Chairman, Clerk
Wilfred P. Arcand
Joseph G. Cortes
Timothy J. Hannigan

Executive session was called during the regular meeting to discuss personalities.

Chairman Hart stated it was an underhanded act on Selectman's Leo Mayewski part to put topography maps on the warrant in the Planning Board's name. He would not vote for \$32,000 that he knew nothing about.

Cortese stated they were not simple topography maps and read a letter addressed to LaPlante of the Assessors Office, from Col-East, Inc. stating what type of maps would be provided. Hart stated Mayewski knew about the maps last April and that Rotatori and Cortese knew about it also.

Hannigan stated an article had been placed on the Warrant for topo maps sponsored by the Flanning Board without our knowledge and this was wrong.

Hart stated the first thing he knew about the article was when Larry Cibley told him at lunch today that he thought the Planning Board was sponsoring an article on the special. Doris Pickering was asked if the Town Warrant was ready, and she said no. Cibley then told Mrs. Pickering what he wants to know is if an Article is on the Warrant sponsored by the Planning Board, and told her Hart was Chairman.

Cortes explained that while at the Lions Club meeting Tuesday, he was approached by Mayewski about it. I had no knowledge about the maps before that time. Mayewski said the town would have to have drainage maps made of the town for sewerage study. They would be special maps made by infra red camera so that plans could be made on a gravity feed sewerage system. It would cost between \$13,000-\$15,000. All this was said in front of Lloyd Rhodes. Hart said he knew nothing at all about the maps as he had never been approached about this.

Hannigan stated he agreed with Hart and that the Selectmen should have come before the Planning Board first. If they want sewerage maps they should have the common courtesy to come to us first if they wanted us to sponsor it.

Hart said he could have caused trouble and called the Attorney General's office. Mayewski was not going to run the Planning Board.

Arcand stated he thought they overstepped their bounds. The Planning Board was elected to the Board by the people not the Selectmen. They should have had the common courtesy to come before us first, this is why I am objecting.

On a Hannigan-Arcand motion it was voted to send the Selectmen a letter asking for the Article sponsored by the Planning Board be recinded from the Special Town Meeting, and that the Planning Board would vote against any such Article. Hart voting for the motion, with Rotatori and Cortese abstaining. Rotatori stated he would not vote against something the Board didn't even know if there was an article on the Warrant. Hart said that Cortes knew about the maps before tonight, and that he should have told the othere members about them. Hart and Cortes held an argumentative debate. Hart told the Board he had told Mayewski earlier in the evening to keep his nose out of Planning Board business. Mayewski told Hart at that time he was just leaving a space open on the Warrant..

Executive session ended.

APPROVED AS READ: