Enfield Board of Selectmen Enfield NH

Non-Public Meeting Minutes October 4, 2004

Following appropriate vote in regular session, the Chairman convened a Non Public Session at 6:00 PM under the terms and conditions of RSA 91-A: 3 II (d). Present were:

Keith Oppenneer Dominic Albanese Steve Goldsmith

Nancy Scovner Chief Peter Giese Captain Crate Justin Benna

The board welcomed the new principal of EVS, namely Justin Benna, and Steve Goldsmith, a member of the Parent Teacher Association.

Mr. Goldsmith advised that they were before the board to solicit their support of an idea for the town to purchase abutting land to the school to allow for alleviation of the traffic problem at the village school. Said parcel in question belonging to Richard Colt with a current asking price of about \$120,000. The land acquisition would not only provide egress onto Flanders Street, but would also provide for a much needed parking area. General discussion ensued re the financial position of the owner in question

Captain Crate advised of the problems with morning and afternoon pickup of children together with the bussing problems basically advising that the entrance also serves as the exit. The acquisition of land would provide for a distinct exit onto the upper portion of Route 4, which would be more manageable than the current arrangement.

Everyone agreed that traffic congestion and the resulting problems would, in all likelihood, lead to a tragedy involving a child or parent.

Mrs. Whittaker advised within the current conceptual planning for a Tax Increment Finance District that some thought had been focused on such land acquisition to ease infrastructure traffic, and therefore acquisition funding could be through the TIF concept.

Mr. Goldsmith advised that if the Town were to provide an easement to the School then the School Board would fund the cost of parking lot construction.

The Board supported the concept of pursuing land acquisition through the TIF districting route and Mrs. Whittaker will arrange a discussion of the same with the owner and school board in due course.

Motion Scovner to return to regular session at 6:40 PM, second Albanese, vote 3 – 0.