

**Selectmen's Minutes  
Library at 245 Western Avenue**

**February 25, 2016**

Present: Chairman Lisa J. O'Donnell, Selectman Susan Gould-Coviello, Selectman David A. Doane, Town Administrator Brendhan Zubricki, Town Counsel Gregg Corbo, and Selectmen's Assistant Pamela J. Witham.

Also Present: Board of Public Works Chair Scott DeWitt and BPW member Brian Feener, and Superintendent Paul Goodwin.

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:40 a.m. in the Library which is temporarily located at 245 Western Avenue during the Town Hall/Library Renovation Project. No one offered any Public Comment.

Citing the need to discuss the lease, sale, and value of real property at Conomo Point; pending litigation concerning the case of the Town of Essex v. William Allen, Essex Superior Court C.A. Nos. ESCV2002-00352, ESCV2006-00313, and ESCV2007-02096; Town of Essex v. Boston Business Services Inc., et al. Lawrence Superior Court C.A. No. 1577-CV-01310; and, anticipated litigation; the Chairman entertained a motion to move to Executive Session. She stated that discussing these matters in Open Session would be detrimental to the Town's negotiating and litigating strategies and said that the Board would only be returning to Open Session to adjourn the meeting. She invited Town Counsel and the Town Administrator to attend the Executive Session. She also invited Superintendent Paul Goodwin, BPW Chair Scott DeWitt, and BPW member Brian Feener to attend the Executive Session regarding anticipated litigation. The motion was moved and seconded. Following a unanimous Roll Call Vote by the Board members and the BPW members, everyone moved to Executive Session.

The Board, their Assistant, Town Counsel, and the Town Administrator returned of Open Session at 9:45 a.m. The BPW members and the Superintendent had left the meeting earlier.

The Board was reminded that the next regular Board of Selectmen's meeting will take place on Monday, March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. in the Senior Center on Pickering Street.

A motion was made, seconded, and unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting.

Documents used during this meeting include the following: None.

Prepared by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Pamela J. Witham

Attested by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Susan Gould-Coviello