

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES
MARCH 19, 2012**

Present: Thomas Creamer, Chairman
Mary Dowling
Mary Blanchard
Angeline Ellison
Priscilla Gimas
Shaun Suhoski, Town Administrator

The Chairman called the executive session to order at 11:00 p.m. under MGL Chapter 30A, §21, Paragraph #6: To consider the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real estate; not to reconvene in open session.

310 Main Street

T. Creamer said that at the most recent meeting, the Board had requested information, and had taken no formal vote, only a consensus.

M. Dowling said that she would support the purchase of 310 Main Street only if it were an “incredible deal” or if there were an immediate use for it, neither of which appeared present here. She raised the question of CPA investment and the impact on the Center Office Building.

T. Creamer discussed the assessed value of 310 Main Street (\$204,000) and Assessor’s appraisal (\$240,000). He stated that he was not in favor of pursuing this property, as he believed that the costs of purchasing, upgrading for municipal use, or demolition thereof were well beyond anything reasonable, and that the Town had spent a significant amount of taxpayer funds to upgrade the Town Hall and Center Office Building. He further stated that though previously in favor of exploring the purchase, he had arrived at a point to where he could no longer support same.

S. Suhoski noted that the Board had reviewed this matter in a number of prior executive sessions, in which he had been directed to discuss it with the property owner; the Principal Assessor had done a full appraisal; the Building Inspector viewed the site and submitted his comments.

It was the consensus of the Board to not actively pursue the matter, but continue to monitor developments.

MOTION: To adjourn, by M. Blanchard.
2nd: P. Gimas

**Roll call vote: M. Dowling in favor; T. Creamer in favor; A. Ellison in favor;
P. Gimas in favor; M. Blanchard in favor.**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Knowles

BOS Clerk

Date