

Board of Selectmen

Town of Upton



Massachusetts

Meeting Minutes of March 16, 2010

*Location:* Fire & EMS Headquarters, 20 Church Street – 2<sup>nd</sup> floor training room.

*Present:* Chairman Kenneth E. Picard, Selectman Michael E. Goodwin, Selectman Robert J. Fleming and Department Coordinator Karen L. Varney.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm.

Appropriation Treasury Warrant in the amount of \$117,139.10 and Payroll Treasury Warrant in the amount of \$70,348.12 approved as submitted.

Motion #1: Selectman Fleming motioned to approve the March 9, 2010 meeting minutes. Second: Selectman Goodwin, unanimous: Chairman Picard.

In a discussion regarding moving forward with plans to revitalize the Town Common / Historic Village Center, the Board agreed with Mr. Gorman's overall concept. Selectman Goodwin questioned that the plan did not address any traffic lights. Also Selectman Fleming noted the cost to acquire additional land to make the plan come to fruition. This would also need communication from the townspeople. The Board agreed to move forward and Chairman Picard will contact Mr. Gorman and request a more definitive plan and then it will be forwarded to the CPC for consideration.

At 7:10pm Chairman Picard opened the Class 2 License hearing of the application of Timothy Cornu, New England Fleet Service Corporation to increase his Class 2 License from ten-cars to twenty-five. The Legal Notice was read, the description of the location and all abutters to the property have been notified of this hearing. Mr. Cornu addressed the Board by saying he has enough space to put the additional cars and confirmed the location is Commercial / Industrial.

The Board asked Mr. Cornu if he plans on adding additional outside lighting. He responded by saying no. The Board spoke of the possibility of adding a restriction about lighting. Resident Katherine Condon opposed the expansion and stated it may lower property values. While Selectman Fleming understands her concerns, commercially zoned property owners do have rights and privileges. After further discussion, the Hearing was closed.

Motion #2: Selectman Fleming motioned to approve the request of Timothy Cornu, New England Fleet Service Corporation to increase his Class 2 License from ten-cars to

45 twenty-five cars with the restriction: If in the future, additional outside lighting is  
46 requested, prior approval will be required by both the Board of Selectmen and the  
47 Planning Board. Second: Selectman Goodwin, unanimous: Chairman Picard.

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49 The Board welcomed members of the Fire Chief Search Committee, Jim Brochu  
50 and Framingham Fire Chief Gary Daugherty. The Committee members ask to come  
51 before the Board to address some questions that surfaced during their meeting of  
52 February 24<sup>th</sup>. Chief Daugherty sent the Board a *draft* job description for the Position of  
53 Fire Chief and asked for input as they do not want to interfere with the Town's by-laws.  
54 It was recommended that the job description be amended by adding *on call* Firefighters  
55 and EMT's. The Committee would like to proceed with advertising and asked for  
56 recommendations as to where to advertise this position. Selectman Fleming said it  
57 should be a State Wide publication and any others that relate to Firefighting  
58 organizations, (International Association of Fire Chiefs). Chief Daugherty said he has  
59 research electronic posting and would fall in the range of \$250.00. Chairman Picard  
60 said the Personnel Coordinator Jim Bates would do the internal posting.

61 Chairman Picard asked the Department Coordinator to check into posting the  
62 Town's Employment Application on the Board's web page. Discussion relative to a  
63 grade position and it was determined that it stand as a *contractual position*, the same as  
64 the Police Chief and the Town Manager. Salary will be negotiated and a residency  
65 clause will be inserted using the language, contiguous Town.

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69 *Motion #*        motioned to adjourn the meeting at        pm. Second: Selectman ,  
70 unanimous: Chairman .

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74 Karen L. Varney, Department Coordinator

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