

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
REGULAR SESSION MEETING MINUTES
September 17, 2007**

CALL TO ORDER: Chm. Woods called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. The following persons were present: Chair Julie Woods, Vice Chair Kevin Kuros, Clerk Michael Potaski, Sel. Jim Dwyer, Sel. Dan Stack, Town Manager Jill Myers and BOS Assistant Tracy Leavitt.

PUBLIC HEARINGS/SCHEDULED APPOINTMENTS:

Andre Either Proclamation: Chm. Woods read the Proclamation noting the retirement of long-time employee Andre Either. DPW Superintendent Larry Bombara introduced Mr. Either and stated that he was one of the best employees he has ever worked with. Mr. Either thanked the Town of Uxbridge.

NEW BUSINESS:

7:30 p.m. Joint meeting with the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals: Expedited Permitting Process (43D): Discussion of 43 D process and proposed warrant article(s) for the Fall Annual Town Meeting Warrant - Attorney Mark Bobrowski and Director of Planning and Economic Development Megan DiPrete: Director of Planning and Economic Development Megan DiPrete reviewed the two proposed warrant Articles. Ms. DiPrete introduced Atty. Mark Brobowski. Sel. Dwyer noted a few minor corrections. Mr. Steve O'Connell of the Bylaw Review Committee asked that definitions be included. Town Manager Jill Myers asked that the BOS allow Atty. Brobowski to re-submit his document by Friday prior to the closing of the warrant and place the two articles on the warrant. Chm. Woods asked who the sponsor of the Article should be. Planning Board Chair John Morawski informed the BOS that they prefer not to sponsor the Article. Ms. Myers suggested the Board of Selectmen. Chm. Woods thanked the ZBA and the Planning Board for their participation.

OLD BUSINESS:

Final Review of FATM Warrant: Ms. Myers reviewed the petition put forth by Sel. Potaski regarding the adoption of a new bylaw. The BOS then reviewed the warrant.

MSDV by Sel. Dwyer, seconded by Sel. Stack, that the Town replace the text of the General Bylaws, Section II, Subsection A (§ 125-1 of re-codified bylaws) with the following: The annual Town election for the election of Town officers and for the determination of all other matter to be referred to the voters shall be held on the fourth Tuesday in May, except in those years when the immediately preceding Monday is a holiday, in which years the subject election shall be held on the third Tuesday in May. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board discussed the Recall Provision article. Ms. Myers reviewed the response from Town Counsel. The Board mentioned possibly having special legislation.

The Selectmen noted a few minor updates. In regards to the "Affidavit and Petition for Re-Call" article, Sel. Kuros asked to change the number from 5% to 10%. Sel. Dwyer feels as though he cannot support the article. Sel. Kuros feels everyone should be held to the same standards. Sel. Dwyer said he would have no objection if specific categories of behavior were included. Sel. Potaski feels this would create a popularity contest.

MSDV by Sel. Dwyer to not include this in the Warrant. There was no second.

MSDV by Sel. Kuros, seconded by Sel. Stack, that we include the Article with Section B amendment included and not include ballot section 2. The motion passed (4-1-0). Sel. Dwyer opposed.

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Chief Ostroskey addressed the Board in regards to two warrant articles he is proposing to purchase a new Fire Truck. He explained that the reason behind the two articles is to allow for every available financing option. Chief Ostroskey stated that if one article passes then the second would not be presented/ voted. He explained that there is a critical need for a new Fire Engine. Chief Ostroskey provided the Board with a copy of the second article which is not listed on the 9/17 version of the Warrant.

MSDV by Sel. Kuros, seconded by Sel. Stack, to include both Fire Engine Articles on the Warrant. The motion passed unanimously.

Chm. Woods completed a final review of the 20 Articles.

MSDV by Sel. Potaski, seconded by Sel. Stack, that those 20 articles that we discussed tonight which are in draft form on the 9/17/07 document, with the amendments that we discussed tonight, constitute the Warrant for the November 20, 2007 Annual Town Meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE/ OTHER BUSINESS: Chm. Woods asked if it would be possible sometime in the future to have a matrix of capital spending for the next 3-5 years. Sel. Potaski asked that the next time a Water Commissioners meeting takes place that conversation continues regarding possibly extending water and sewer service through South Uxbridge.

ADJOURNMENT: At 9:31 p.m.,

MSDV by Sel. Kuros, seconded by Sel. Dwyer, to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.

*Minutes respectfully submitted by,
Tracy Leavitt, Assistant to the Board of Selectmen*

Minutes approved by Board of Selectmen:

Chairman Julie A. Woods

Sel. James F. Dwyer

V. Chairman Kevin J. Kuros

Sel. Dan Stack

Clerk Michael Potaski

MSDV: Moved, Seconded, Discussed & Voted
RCV: Roll Call Vote