

Meeting Date:
October 28, 2008

Location: Town Hall

Present:
Edward Maharay, Chairman
Mark Andrews
Peter Demers (arrived at 7:10)

Howard Fortner, Vice Chairman
Christine Horwath
Richard Young

1. MINUTES

Mark Andrews motioned to accept the 10/9/2008 minutes as written, and Howard Fortner seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

Rick Young motioned to accept the 10/14/08 minutes as amended, and Howard seconded. The motion passed 4-0-1 with Christine Horwath abstaining.

Mark Andrews motioned to accept the 10/21/2008 minutes as written, and Howard Fortner seconded. The motion passed 5-0-1 with Peter Demers abstaining.

Howard motioned to accept the 10/23/08 minutes as written, and Rick seconded. The motion passed 5-0-1 with Christine abstaining.

2. PUBLIC HEARING FOR FALL ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

Mark Andrews motioned to reopen the public hearings, and Christine Horwath seconded. The motion passed 6-0.

Article 26: Home Rule Charter Amendment; Elected Board of Health

The main issue of the article is whether the BOH should be appointed versus elected.

Article 8: Street Acceptance-Southwoods Estates Subdivision

Town Manager Jill Myers reported that town meeting had previously approved the subdivision but paperwork was not filed on time. Planning Board had voted favorably.

Article 9: Street Acceptance-Big Rock Road

Planning Board and Board of Selectmen both voted favorably.

Article 33: Citizen Petition for the Acceptance of Extension to Current Public Way; Commerce Drive

The BOS did not layout this street. Materials were not complete for acceptance.

The following articles, all of which are for street acceptances, were open for public hearing but no other information was available:

Article 35 – Lee Street
Article 36 - Glen Street
Article 37 – Kasey Court and Gary Lane
Article 38 – Julie Drive, etc.
Article 40 – Spinning Wheel Drive, etc.

3. FATM RECOMMENDATIONS

Article 5	Peter motioned, Christine seconded	Favorable 6-0
Article 6	Peter motioned, Christine seconded	Favorable 6-0
Article 12	Peter motioned, Rick seconded	Favorable 6-0
Article 13	Peter motioned, Rick seconded	Favorable 6-0
Article 14	Peter motioned, Rick seconded	Favorable 6-0
Article 15	No vote taken	
Article 19	Peter motioned, Mark seconded	Favorable 6-0
Article 20	Howard motioned, Mark seconded	UNFavorable 1-5, did not pass
	Peter motioned, Rick seconded	FAVORABLE 5-1, Howard against
Article 21	Peter motioned, Mark seconded	Favorable 5-1, Howard against
Article 22	Peter motioned, Rick seconded	Favorable 5-1, Howard against
Article 23	Howard motioned, Peter seconded	Favorable 6-0
Article 24	Howard motioned, Peter seconded	Favorable 6-0
Articles 31, 32	Howard motioned, Mark seconded	Favorable 2-4, did not pass
	Peter motioned, Christine seconded	UNFavorable 4-2, Howard and Ed against

4. NEW BUSINESS

The Finance Committee discusses the difficulties in reviewing Article and holding public hearings on these articles without receiving the appropriate information needed from other town boards. Boards must work in concert in order for information to the public be as complete as possible.

Howard asked about the Board of Selectmen Meeting about the Serendipidity property. The Finance Committee is looking for an explanation of what has happened about this property deal.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Christine motioned to adjourn and Rick seconded. The motion passed 6-0.