

Board of Selectmen
September 19, 1994
Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Vice-Chairman Robert S. Costa in the Library Meeting Room. Selectmen present included David Ernst, Cynthia Paine and Ira Wood. Chairwoman Carolina Kiggins was absent. Town Administrator Julia Enroth also attended.

Open Session:

- Ruth Rickmers submitted two requests to the Board regarding the Fire Chief's contract and payment of Article 11 of the 1994 Annual Town Meeting Warrant. She also noted sunken drains in the road at Commercial Street and Mayo Beach.

On a motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of September 12, 1994 with two corrections and requested that the Shellfish Constable's recommendation regarding Harvesting of Shellfish from the Navigational Channel be attached to the minutes for clarification.

On a motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of August 29, 1994 as corrected.

The Town Administrator discussed with the Board:

a) Special Town Meeting

- 1) The Town Administrator noted that setting the tax rate could be delayed if it becomes necessary to include interest for bonding for renovations to the High School in this fiscal year.
- 2) funds for a fireworks display - discussion included estimated costs, financing an event via a transfer from the Beach Fund and scheduling. There was a consensus of the Board to include an article for fireworks in the draft warrant and to readdress this decision next week.
- 3) reports to be included - 1) a brief informational session from the Local Comprehensive Planning Committee, 2) Senior Center survey results, 3) presentation of the Cape Cod Commission Review Task Force report
- 4) There was a consensus of the Board to accept the Town Administrator's recommendation and to schedule the special election for October 17, 1994.

The Board met with members of the Finance Committee. Discussion included:

- a) continuation of the Committee's report to the Town initiated at the previous Town Meeting to provide an overview of the Town's finances on an historical basis including demographic and comparative data
- b) article for fireworks - Committee will consider and make a recommendation at their 9/28 meeting
- c) High School building project - need to analyze maintenance costs and the project's effect on the tax rate - the Town Administrator

will request a cost analysis of the project's impact on the tax rate and future budgets (additional custodians and teachers) from the School Department

- d) budgets - coordinating Selectmen's budget meetings with the Finance Committee to streamline the budget process and the need for timely budget information from the schools
- e) a joint Board of Selectmen/Finance Committee session with the auditors
- f) establishing a policy for the addition of new positions or capital items
- g) The members of the Committee expressed their appreciation for the contributions of Larry Gallagher who has resigned.

The Town Administrator continued discussion with the Board:

- b) There was a consensus of the Board to sign and send the letter to the Plymouth and Brockton Bus Company regarding the Board's concerns for the hazardous conditions at the South Wellfleet bus stop.
- c) On a motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted unanimously to accept the amended Policy on Tapes of Selectmen's Meetings 1991-1 as drafted by the Town Administrator.

Selectman Ernst left the Board. The Board held a public hearing to consider the recommendation of the Shellfish Constable to amend Section V of the Wellfleet Temporary Shellfish Regulations. The Shellfish Constable read his recommendation to open Chipman's Cove for the taking of shellfish as of one half hour before sunrise on Sunday, October 16, 1994 until further notice except that two areas of the main flat along the mooring basin and the channel leading back to the inner harbor across from Shirrtail Point shall remain closed to the taking of all shellfish until further notice. On a motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted unanimously (3-0) to accept the recommendation of the Shellfish Constable. On a motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted unanimously to continue the hearing until their first meeting in November to reassess the status of the closed areas. Selectman Ernst rejoined the Board.

The Board interviewed Dr. Harry G. Rae for appointment to the Board of Health. Discussion included Dr. Rae's background and experience and his interest in health issues. The appointment was taken under advisement until next week.

The Town Administrator continued discussion with the Board:

- d) signage at Gross Hill Road and Lawrence Ave. - there was a consensus of the Board that due to serious safety concerns the DPW be requested to remove the cedar tree at the intersection to improve visibility and that stop lines be painted and STOP signs be maintained at both intersections.

The Board discussed recruitment to boards and committees. Discussion included:

- a) using Special Town Meeting to advertise openings and the rewards

of serving

b) past efforts - newspapers, posters, community television, Town Line - there was a consensus of the Board that due to past success, the next issue of the Town Line will concentrate on information on openings on town boards and committees.

The Town Administrator continued discussion with the Board:

e) harbor mapping - discussion included defining a public purpose for the study and financing the project. There was a consensus of the Board that Selectman Costa discuss the project with Dick Lay and report back to the Board next week

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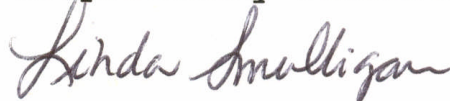
- There was a consensus of the Board to sign and send the letter to Diane Hussey regarding her resignation from the Commission on Disabilities.
- There was a consensus of the Board to sign and send the letter to Larry Gallagher regarding his resignation from the Finance Committee after one correction.

The Board discussed establishing the mileage rate for FY'96. On a motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted unanimously to raise the mileage reimbursement from 22 cents to 24 cents per mile.

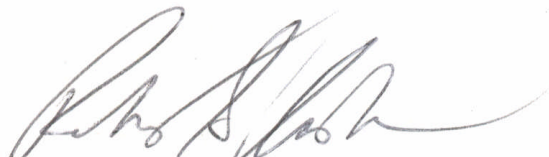
The Board discussed the request from Tim Dickey to install a utility within a public way (King Phillip Road, lots 217/218). Discussion included the lack of a performance bond. On a motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted 3-0-1, with Paine abstaining, to approve the request.

On a motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted unanimously at 9:19 p.m. on a roll call vote (Costa, Ernst, Paine, Wood - yea) to enter into executive session to discuss collective bargaining and not to reconvene in open session.

Respectfully submitted,



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Robert S. Costa



David Ernst



Ira Wood

Cynthia Paine