

Board of Selectmen
Library Meeting Room
September 16, 1996
Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairwoman Carolina Kiggins. Selectmen present included John Ryerson, Cynthia Paine and Ira Wood. Selectman David Ernst was absent. Town Administrator John Hinckley was also present.

Open Session:

• Mrs. Dutra addressed the Board regarding the draft minutes dated September 9, 1996. Chairwoman Kiggins suggested that Mrs. Dutra submit an addendum to be attached to the minutes.

On a motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted 3-0-1, with Paine abstaining (she had not attended the meeting), to approve the minutes of September 3, 1996 as submitted.

On a motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of September 9, 1996 as submitted.

The Town Administrator discussed with the Board:

- a) Hamblen Park Update - it was noted that should the Cape Cod Commission submit a plan which is unacceptable to the Town, the Town may not be able to accept assistance from the Commission
- b) Cape Cod Land Bank - discussion included whether or not there would be any financial benefit to the Town. There was consensus that this is a changing event and that the Board does not favor it at this time.
- c) CCNS Draft Management Study Materials - on a motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted 3-0-1, with Ryerson abstaining, that the Town Administrator draft a letter for signature by the Board indicating agreement with the Town of Provincetown and requesting an extension of the deadline for comment on the CCNS Draft Management Study Materials.
- d) Long Pond Restroom - discussion included availability of alternative units to the Dr. Play restroom and the lack of sink facilities in the Romtec unit. There was consensus that the Town Administrator will develop an RFP.

At 7:30 p.m. the Board met with Town Counsel who gave a seminar on confidentiality and liability issues, conflict of interest and the Open Meeting Law. Topics discussed included posting of meetings, minutes, executive sessions, categories of employment, liability for committee members and public records.

On a motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted unanimously at 8:21 p.m. on a roll call vote (Kiggins, Ryerson, Paine, Wood - yea) to enter executive session to discuss strategy in preparation for contract negotiations and to reconvene in open session.

The meeting reconvened in open session at 9:18 p.m.

The Town Administrator continued discussion with the Board. Discussion included:

e) Cooperative Fire Protection and Emergency Services Agreement with the Cape Cod National Seashore - the Town Administrator noted that the document extends the previously accepted agreement. He recommended that the Town adopt the agreement amendment and renegotiate for subsequent terms during the next Federal budget cycle. Board members did not indicate any objections.

f) Certification of Highway monies - on a motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted unanimously to approve and sign the Town Clerk/Treasurer's certification of votes and appropriations for construction, maintenance and policing of Town streets as voted at the April 22, 1996 Annual Town Meeting in the amount of \$861,927.75.

The Board discussed the FY 1998 Initial Budget Policy Statement. Discussion included the FY'96 and FY'97 statements, ramifications of maintaining level funding and the tax rate. On a motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the FY'97 Budget Policy Statement for FY'98.

The Board discussed the Lung Association's Bicycle Event which took place on Sunday, September 15th. Discussion included the lack of notice and request for permission for the event and the use of the White Crest parking lot and bathroom facilities for a water stop. There was consensus that the Town Administrator draft a letter to the group explaining Town requirements for such an event.

The Board discussed Special Town Meeting matters. Discussion included articles per draft warrant #2 dated September 16, 1996. Selectman Ryerson left the meeting at 10:52 p.m. On a motion duly made and seconded the Board voted unanimously to include the following articles on the warrant and to refer them to committees for recommendation as follows:

Article 1 - transfers. It was suggested that the proposed transfer from free cash to Accountant Salary & Wages be deleted and addressed at Annual Town Meeting as part of the reclassification of non-union employees. Referred to Finance Committee.

Article 2 - payment of bills from a prior fiscal year. Referred to Finance Committee.

Article 3 - wage adjustments. Referred to Finance Committee.

Article 4 - Senior Citizen Real Estate Tax Payment Program. Referred to the Finance Committee and Council on Aging.

Article 5 - Town Hall Renovations. Referred to the Finance Committee.

Article 6 - amendment to Section IV, Paragraph E of the Nauset Regional School District Agreement. Referred to the Finance Committee.

Article 7 - acceptance of MGL Chapter 71, Section 16B as it relates to the Nauset Regional School District. Referred to the Finance Committee.

Article 8 - acceptance of MGL Chapter 71, Section 16B as it relates

to Cape Cod Regional Technical High School. Referred to the Finance Committee.

Article 13 - Tower Bylaw. Referred to the Planning Board and Bylaw Committee.

Article 14 - authority to transfer or convey by auction Assessors Map 35, Lot 36. Referred to the Open Space Committee.

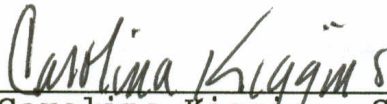
Articles submitted by the Cemetery Commissioners regarding the First Burial Ground and an amendment to the General Bylaw Article VII, Section 25; an article regarding establishment of a Fire Station Building Committee and two articles submitted by the Housing Authority were deferred to Annual Town Meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 10:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Linda Smulligan
Administrative Assistant



Carolina Kiggins, Chair



Cynthia Paine



John Ryerson

Ira Wood