

Board of Selectmen  
October 15, 1997  
Town Hall Meeting Room  
Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 4:07 p.m. by Chairman David Ernst. Selectmen present included Jeffrey White, Lawrence Gallagher, Carolina Kiggins and John Ryerson.

The Board interviewed Warren Rutherford for the position of Acting Town Administrator.

At 4:32 p.m. the Board interviewed Edward McCann for the position of Acting Town Administrator.

The Board discussed Fire Department positions. Fire Chief Alan Hight and Town Accountant Pat Eagar were in attendance. On a motion by Kiggins, seconded by Ryerson, the Board voted 3-2, with Gallagher and White voting against, that Sections 1,2,4 and 5 of the Letter of Agreement with the Firefighters' Union dated 10/29/96 be extended until 11/15/97, with section 3 and 6 being excluded. Chief Hight requested that section 6 be extended as well. On a motion by Ryerson, seconded by Kiggins, the Board voted unanimously to rescind the previous motion. On a motion by Ryerson, seconded by Kiggins, the Board voted 3-2, with Gallagher and White voting against, that Sections 1,2,4,5,6 of the Letter of Agreement with the Firefighters' Union dated 10/29/96 be extended until 11/15/97, with section 3 being excluded.

The Board reviewed the candidates for the position of Acting Town Administrator. On a motion by Ernst, seconded by Ryerson, the Board voted unanimously that Mr. Edgar Gadbois be appointed as Acting Town Administrator for a period of up to 90 days at a salary of \$175/day contingent upon satisfactory contract negotiations and background checks.

The Board discussed Special Town Meeting transfer requests:

- a) from Ambulance Fund to #220 Fire Dept. Capital Outlay for a copier and three computers - \$10,059 (Fire Chief) - on a motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted 3-2, with White and Kiggins voting against, to include the transfer on the Special Town Meeting warrant.
- b) from Shellfish Fund to #179 Shellfish Dept. Capital Outlay for a used 4-wheel drive pickup truck - \$7,500 - on a motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted 3-2, with White and Kiggins voting against, to include the transfer on the Special Town Meeting warrant.
- c) free cash to #210 Police Dept. Overtime - \$25,000 - on a motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted unanimously to include in Special Town Meeting Article 2 funding for the portion of departmental compensatory time accrued as of 6/30/97 as an unpaid bill. The Administrative Assistant was asked to request a breakdown from the Police Chief.
- d) request to transfer \$44,398 from the SEMASS Fund to purchase a

transfer trailer and retire the existing debt on the old trailer - on a motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted unanimously to place an article on the warrant.

The Board discussed article requests:

a) request to transfer funds to pay for two school choice students attending Provincetown schools - on a motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted unanimously to place an article on the warrant.

b) article to fund testing of wells in downtown Wellfleet - on a motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted unanimously to place the article on the warrant in the amount of \$3,000, or any other sum, to include the list of streets effected as submitted by Ben Gitlow of the Water Commissioners Advisory Board, and to recommend the article and refer it to the Board of Health, Planning Board and Finance Committee for recommendation.

The Board discussed article recommendations and referral to Town Boards/Committees/Commissions for recommendation as follows:

a) article for transfers - on a motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted unanimously to recommend the article and refer it to the Finance Committee for recommendation.

b) article for unpaid bills - on a motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted unanimously to recommend the article and refer it to the Finance Committee for recommendation.

c) article for contract settlements - on a motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted unanimously to recommend the article and refer it to the Finance Committee for recommendation.

d) article to increase the size of the Police Dept. - on a motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted unanimously to recommend the article and refer it to the Finance Committee for recommendation.

e) article to address termite problems at Police/Fire Station - on a motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted unanimously to recommend the article and refer it to the Finance Committee for recommendation.

f) article for architectural fees for improvements to Police Department building - on a motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted unanimously to recommend the article and refer it to the Permanent Building Needs Committee and Finance Committee for recommendation.

g) article to dispose of Town property valued over \$500 - on a motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted unanimously to recommend this article and forward it to the Finance Committee for recommendation.

h) article to fund schools by the Regional Agreement - on a motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted unanimously to recommend the article and refer it to the Finance Committee for recommendation.

i) article regarding resolution to seek lower electric rates - on a motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted unanimously to recommend the article and refer it to the Planning Board.

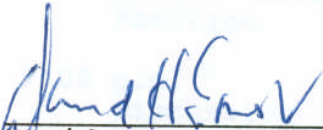
j) standard article regarding any other business - the Board voted unanimously to recommend the article.

On a motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn at 6:30 p.m.

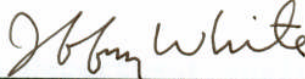
Respectfully submitted,



Linda Smulligan  
Administrative Assistant



David Ernst, Chairman



Jeffrey White



Lawrence Gallagher

Carolina Kiggins

John Ryerson