

Westborough Board of Selectmen

Special Town Meeting Minutes

October 20, 2008

6:30 p.m. – 10:10 p.m.

Members Present: Chairman Thompson, Vice Chairman Leigh Emery, Selectman Lydia Goldblatt, Selectmen Timothy Dodd and Rod Jane

Also, Present: Henry Danis, Town Coordinator; Maryanne Bilodeau, Assistant Town Coordinator; Gregory B. Franks, Town Counsel

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chairman Thompson.

The Town Coordinator reviewed modifications to:

Article 1, adding \$104,227 to be transferred for Water Retained Earnings to pay Water Treatment Plan electric bill;

Article 8, inserting a September 15th date;

Article 11, discussed restrictions on park (restriction of any vehicle structures, among other things). The BOS has a couple of options: 1. Recommend for Town Meeting to vote to give BOS decision as to when the restrictions are removed or acceptable to the Board or 2. vote to pass over.

Jim Robbins felt the final proposal is unacceptable.

Lydia suggested we wait until the Spring Town Meeting.

Leigh agreed with Lydia adding that it should send a clear message to the developer.

Rod asked if these are typical problems. Jim Robbins said there are always little items, but not right before a Town Meeting. Rod felt the Board should vote to give the BOS final say so as not to appear that we are developer unfriendly.

Leigh disagreed, citing the fountain issue. (The fountain was to be similar to the one in front of the Town Hall, not a miniature one.)

Jim Robbins said the Planning Board does not support the acceptance until the fountain is fixed.

Tim Dodd felt that the developer was accommodated.

Lydia moved to reconsider the Board's original vote of 3-0. Tim Dodd seconded.

Three voted in favor; 2 were against.

Leigh moved that the Board vote to defeat the article. Tim Todd seconded. All voted in favor to defeat.

The Board discussed who would discuss articles.

Article 2: Town Coordinator

3: Historical Commission

4: Rod

5: Municipal Bldg Committee

6: Personnel Board

7, 8, 9: John Walden

10: Town Counsel

11: Leigh

- 12: Leigh
- 13: Conservation Commission
- 14: John Walden
- 15: School Committee

Tim moved to reconsider the Board's vote on Article 15, Lydia seconded.
All voted in favor of supporting Article 15.

At this time, the Town Meeting convened and proceeded.

At 10:10 p.m. George Thompson moved to adjourn; Selectman Goldblatt seconded. All voted in favor.

Submitted by Maryanne Bilodeau

Chairman George Thompson Vice Chairman Leigh Emery Selectman Lydia Goldblatt

Selectman Timothy A. Dodd

Selectman Rod Jane'

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