

Westborough Board of Selectmen

Public Hearing 18-20 Charles Street

Tuesday, March 31, 2009

5:30 p.m. – 5:48 p.m.

Members Present: Chairman Thompson, Vice Chairman Emery, Selectmen Goldblatt, Dodd and Jane´

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

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Chairman Thompson. Town and School payroll and expense warrants were approved and signed.

Pledge of Allegiance

Town Counsel Franks requested that the Board declare the property (barn) located at 18 & 20 Charles Street as public nuisance in accordance to Chapter 139 of the Massachusetts General Laws.

Mr. Donald Moquin, Assistant Building Inspector, informed the Board of the steps that was taken to have the property owner, Kristine Nazzaro, have the barn demolished. Ms. Nazzaro tried her best to hire contractors to come and demolish the building; however, during that time Ms. Nazzaro found herself in a very difficult health situation and could no longer continue the town's request. Mr. Moquin said that during the process the barn roof collapsed (timeline materials attached).

Selectman Jane´ moved to declare the property (barn) located at 18-20 Charles Street owned by Kristine Nazzaro a public nuisance in accordance to Chapter 139 of the Massachusetts General Laws. Vice Chairman Emery seconded. 5-0

Hiring Freeze Discussion:

Selectman Goldblatt said that she does not feel that there should be a hiring freeze and that the vote that was taken at the Board's previous meeting be kept in place. She did say that if it is the Board's consensus to have the Department Heads, Committees, Commissions and Boards come, as a courtesy, to inform the Board of their "new hires" she would not be opposed to that.

Vice Chairman Emery said that she was in favor of announcing a hiring freeze; however, since the original discussion she is now consenting to having just the Department Heads, Committees, Commissions and Boards come, as a courtesy, to inform the Board of their "new hires".

After a brief discussion the Board agreed on requesting the Department Heads, Committees, Commissions and Boards come, as a courtesy, to inform the Board of their "new hires only".

Adjourn Open Session

Selectman Goldblatt moved to adjourn the Board of Selectmen meeting at 5:48 p.m. Selectman Dodd seconded.

Submitted by Nidia L. Ruberti

Chairman George Thompson

Vice Chairman Leigh Emery

Selectman Lydia Goldblatt

Selectman Timothy A. Dodd

Selectman Rod Jané