

Members present: Kevin McCormick Christopher Rucho
Valmore H. Pruneau Steven Quist
Allen R. Phillips

Mr. McCormick convened the meeting at 6:20 p.m. in the cafeteria of the Middle/High School.

Consider signing MOU on Earthday Project

Mr. Gaumond explained that the document has been reviewed by Town Counsel and Gregg Corbo is satisfied with the document in its current form. Mr. Phillips pointed out the fact that the language, which would allow other communities to participate is still in the MOU. He reminded everyone that DCR said this would be for the Wachusett Communities only and in the first paragraph it states 'and such other Massachusetts Towns that may be permitted to join this Agreement.' The answer, according to Mr. Gaumond is that the MOU was written because they hoped that West Boylston was going to join and there needed to be a mechanism for that. He suggested striking that language, however, this is the language contained in the MOU all the other communities sign. Mr. Phillips voiced his concern that fifty other communities could sign on and with West Boylston getting only one vote those other communities would not care about what would happen in our town.

Motion Mr. Phillips to strike #5 of Phase II: Operation which reads "If a town wishes to join the collection program, it may be admitted by majority votes by both the Earthday Town Representative Committee and by Wachusett Earthday, Incorporate. Wachusett Earthday, Incorporated shall recommend the fee to be assessed to said Town to enter them into this agreement. By majority vote, the Town Representative Committee shall approve or amend the assessment and shall determine whether the funds received from Towns added to this agreement shall be reimbursed to those Towns which have contributed to the development of the Site or shall result in a corresponding reduction in the participating Towns' assessments going forward,' and strike the language in the opening paragraph 'and such other Massachusetts Towns that may be permitted to join this Agreement,' and then sign the MOU as he feels it is contrary to what was discussed with DCR. Mr. Gaumond agreed that the Commissioner of DCR indicated that no other communities would be allowed to join. Mr. Phillips questioned whether DCR is aware of the fact that the language is in the MOU. Mr. Gaumond believes they do and noted that this was written one year ago. Now that West Boylston intends to join, Mr. Phillips believes there is no need for that language. Motion seconded by Mr. Rucho. Vote on the motion – Messrs. Phillips, Rucho and Quist yes; Messrs. Mr. McCormick and Pruneau no.

Motion Mr. Phillips to strike any reference to allowing other communities to join this Collaborative, seconded by Mr. Rucho, all in favor.

Motion Mr. Phillips to sign the agreement with the two amendments, seconded by Mr. Pruneau. Vote on the motion – Messrs. McCormick, Pruneau and Phillips yes; Messrs. Rucho and Quist no.

Consider Amending & Revoting the Schedule & List of Items for Surplus Auction

Mr. Gaumond asked the Board to re-vote the schedule by moving everything up one week.

Motion Mr. Rucho to amend the Schedule for the Surplus Auction by moving up all the dates up by one week, seconded by Mr. Phillips, all in favor.

Mr. Gaumond asked the Board to re-vote the list of items as the two portable jail cells are used by the DPW for storage of signs and other materials.

Motion Mr. Pruneau to amend the surplus list by removing the two portable jail cells, seconded by Mr. Rucho, all in favor.

Approve & Sign Successor Agreement with Police Chief Minnich

Mr. Gaumond informed the Board that Chief Minnich has agreed to and signed the contract.

Motion Mr. Phillips to sign the agreement with Police Chief Minnich, seconded by Mr. Pruneau, all in favor.

Motion Mr. Phillips at 6:30 p.m. to adjourn the meeting, second by Mr. Pruneau, all in favor.

Motion Mr. Phillips to rescind the motion to adjourn and recess the meeting until later in the evening following town meeting vote, seconded by Mr. Rucho, all in favor.

The Board reconvened its meeting at 9:00 p.m.

Motion Mr. Phillips to disband the Municipal Buildings Committee, second by Mr. Pruneau. Vote on the motion – Messrs. McCormick, Pruneau, Phillips and Quist yes; Mr. Rucho no.

With no further business to come before the Board, motion Mr. Quist at 9:00 p.m. to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Rucho, all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved: September 2, 2009

Nancy E. Lucier

Kevin M. McCormick, Chairman

Valmore Pruneau, Vice Chairman

Allen R. Phillips, Clerk

Christopher A. Rucho, Selectman

Steven Quist, Selectman