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Present: Nicholas A. Hay, John F. Fairbanks, and Thomas P. O’Toole

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Hay called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Selectmen’s Office at Town Hall.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. O’Toole moved that the Board enter into executive session for the purpose of conducting collective bargaining negotiations, and that the Board reconvene in open session following negotiations. Mr. Fairbanks seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

7:15 p.m. – RECONVENED

APPROVAL OF WARRANTS

Board members reviewed and approved the following warrants:

May 26, 2009	
Payroll Warrant #67	\$160,493.61
Accounts Payable Warrant #68	\$119,506.16

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Fairbanks moved to approve the minutes of April 13, 2009 as printed. The motion was duly seconded and passed unanimously. Mr. Fairbanks moved that the minutes of April 27, 2009 be approved, with a minor correction. The motion was duly seconded and passed unanimously. Mr. O’Toole moved to approve the minutes of May 4, 11 and 18, 2009 as printed. The motion was duly seconded and passed unanimously.

PLANNING BOARD

Board members met with members of the Planning Board to discuss the proposed Mixed-Use Overlay District along the Route 2 corridor. Planning Board Chairman Andy Sears requested the Selectmen’s opinion as to whether or not the Planning Board should bring the zoning article back for a town meeting vote, considering it’s recent defeat at the May 2 Annual Town Meeting.

Mr. Fairbanks stated that he felt this was an important issue for the town, that more information needs to be obtained and provided to the voters, and that there should be a separate town meeting held at Oakmont for this one issue.

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Upon further discussion, it was agreed that the Planning Board will hold a number of workshops are various times (day and evening) to provide an opportunity for all residents to be heard. Mr. Sears pointed out that some residents feel that certain studies typically required during the permitting process should be conducted at this time.

Mr. Fairbanks requested that the Planning Board compile a list of questions and comments that have been brought forth during recent Planning Board hearings and at town meeting, and that the Planning Board meet with the Board of Selectmen again to review the list and decide which studies should be performed.

It was agreed to provide copies of the Mullin Report (“Final Report of the Economic Development Study Committee,” issued in June, 2007) to the members of both boards and to make a copy available at the library and on the town’s website.

Bud Taylor suggested that the Planning Board make an effort to find out what other towns have encountered in the implementation of Mixed-Use Overlay Districts.

BOARD AND COMMITTEE HANDBOOK

Board members reviewed a draft Board and Committee Handbook submitted by Mrs. Murphy, containing basic information on the Open Meeting Law, Conflict of Interest, Conduct of Meetings, Public Records Law, and administrative functions of town boards. Mr. Fairbanks moved that the Board accept the handbook, with minor edits, and that the Town Coordinator be authorized to make any future changes to the handbook, as needed. The motion was duly seconded and passed unanimously. All board and committee members will receive a copy of the handbook and will be requested to acknowledge receipt.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion duly made and seconded, it was voted to adjourn at 7:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas P. O’Toole, Clerk
(Prepared by K. Murphy)