

BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING

April 4, 2000

The meeting was opened at 7:00 pm. with Lee Davis, Jennifer A. Dean, Kenneth Gikas, C. Althea Czarn, Lincoln Barber and Executive Secretary Aldon Jeffs attending.

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Gikas led the meeting until officials were elected. Dean nominated Davis as Chairman, Czarn seconded and the vote was unanimous. Czarn nominated Gikas as Vice Chairman, Davis seconded and the vote was four in favor with Gikas opposed. Czarn nominated Barber as Secretary, Gikas seconded and the vote was unanimous.

CORRESPONDENCE

introduce a gentleman to whom Smith will sell and who will be
Mr. James Smith is ~~to become~~ the new president and manager of the Pub, which he plans to run as a family style restaurant. Mr. Smith ~~introduced himself and~~ *requested a* public hearing ~~will be scheduled for 4/11/00~~ *at 7:00*

The street acceptances at Heritage Hill and Killiney Woods was postponed to the end of the meeting as there was no Planning Board member present.

The Special Town Meeting will be held at 6:30 on 5/8/00, the Annual Town Meeting at 7 p.m., which will be adjourned to 7 p.m. on 6/12/00, if necessary. Davis requested that Board members review both warrants and then finalize them at the next meeting. Dean requested that copies be forwarded to the Finance Comm. and the Capital Planning Comm. and to invite them to the next meeting.

Regarding the Town Hall closing on Fridays, Jeffs stated that the two part-time secretaries would have 4 hours each to make up and could do so by adding a 1/2 hour to each workday Mon. -Thurs. and then the other two hours would be made up by taking notes at the Selectmen's meetings. Jeffs would still take notes at the workshops and executive sessions, which the secretaries would then transcribe. As for the Treasurer, she could come in at 8:30 instead of 9:00 Mon. -Thurs. and work 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. on Wednesday, thus adding an hour to Wed. night. The assistant Treasurer could work 9 to 2:00 Mon. -Thurs. Gikas made a motion to have Jeffs come up with a proposed work schedule for the next meeting, Barber seconded and the vote was unanimous.

Gikas made a motion to reschedule Selectmen's meetings from the first and third Tuesday nights of the month at 7:00 p.m. to the first and third Mondays of the month at 7:00 p.m., Barber seconded and the vote was unanimous. 4/17/00 at 7 p.m. will be the next Board of Selectmen regular meeting.

The town of Mendon had approached Millville with a regional dispatch proposal. Jeffs had set up a meeting between Mendon's Board of Selectmen, Police and Fire Chiefs and Millville's Board of Selectmen, Police and Fire Chiefs on 4/10/00 at 7:00 p.m. to discuss this proposal. The MEMA director will be provided with a copy of this proposal.

A letter dated 3/27/00 was received from Ms. Gladys Frost praising Joe and Steve of the Fire and ambulance crew. Copies of this letter will be forwarded to them and the Fire Chief. A letter will be sent from the Board of Selectmen commending them for a fine job.

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY'S REPORT

The Board had conditionally granted a Class II license to Mr. Roger Rondeau, Sr. for 65 Main St. The Building, Plumbing and Electrical inspectors have not as yet turned in their approvals.

The animal control officer had voiced concern over not having an after hours location to take animals

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to. We are currently talking to Blackstone regarding a joint animal shelter. Jeffs recommended bringing this up at the Mendon meeting mentioned above, as Mendon has a shelter that the MSPCA has had concerns over.

Copies of the Town Report will be available at the Town Meeting. It will be bound exactly as the Board had requested. The cost will be approximately \$100 more than estimated because of the number of pages added for the lengthy new by-laws.

Jeffs had attended the Uxbridge Sewer Comm. meeting. Uxbridge will be putting an article on the town warrant allowing them to enter into negotiations and a municipal agreement. Jeffs feels that with the betterment changes, etc., the costs are too high for Millville. He also brought up that Blackstone is working on sewers with Woonsocket.

Jeffs mentioned that the Housing Assistance money should be watched carefully so as not to run out of money before the town does the ADA compliance. An elevator is needed to access the new rooms upstairs at the Town Hall. The restrooms and doors will have to be redone to accommodate it.

The cost for smoke detectors at the Town Hall will be approximately \$200 and Jeffs will be asking for a transfer of funds. *\$1300 only*

Czarn made a motion to dispense with two Good and Welfares on the agenda and just have one towards the end of a meeting with a time limit of 5 minutes per speaker. Discussion will be allowed on topics which the Chairperson will monitor. Gikas seconded and the vote was unanimous.

Davis requested that a section for old business and new business be put back on the agenda with items left on until they are resolved. He also stated that workshops are also meetings and that the video cameras should be welcome and an agenda posted prior to the meeting. The Board will still retain the right to limit input at the "workshop" meetings.

GOOD AND WELFARE

Ms. Colleen Curis said that the library is asking to change its toll road day from 4/20/00 to 5/6/00 due to the festival held by St. Augustine's church. The Board approved the change provided there is no conflict with another toll day already scheduled. The library is also putting together a Friend's Group; there is a meeting at 6:30 on 4/5/00 for anyone interested.

Mr. Richard Hurteau of 70 Quaker St. inquired about sidewalks along Central St. which the developer of Afonso Estates has agreed to install. Owners need to be contacted to get releases. Jeffs will be handling this. The Planning Board was asked to provide the minutes which state the exact location for the sidewalk. Heritage Hill and Killiney Woods are not quite ready for street acceptance as yet and the article may be stricken by the Planning Board at the Town Meeting if the developers still have not complied with all requirements.

Mr. Michael Pare stated that the Board of Health had already researched the Woonsocket sewer plan in depth. He also mentioned that the ~~Board~~ has no bathrooms or septic. Davis stated that the Board of Health would be given a sign-off sheet on the Class II license for the ~~Board~~. Mr. Pare also reminded the Board that he is still waiting for suggestions from them on the location for the basketball court that Mr. Afonso has volunteered to construct.

Mr. John Dean, Highway superintendent, stated that he hopes to begin street sweeping in about 2 weeks. He then updated the Board on the bridges project; if he can go through the P&W, then the start

date could be 3 to 6 months, but if he goes through the State, then he is not sure of the date.

Mr. Pare stated that leaf bags will be picked up with the recycling on April 11th and 18th and hopefully, another dump day for major items will be scheduled soon.

A Sewer Comm. meeting is scheduled for 4/12/00 and a B.O.S. dog complaint hearing is scheduled for 4/20/00 at 7:00 p.m.

Barber brought up the fact that two Class II licenses had been issued recently and that there were no measures in place to control harmful fluids from being put into the groundwater. Mr. Pare stated that after the Countryside fire last weekend, the B.O.H. is placing this issue and similar issues on its agenda for the next meeting. The issue of establishing ordinances and criteria for storing cars and the disposal of fluids will be put on the B.O.S. agenda and the Conservation Comm. will be consulted for any assistance they may be able to provide.

The head of MEMA stated that a letter has been written voicing their concerns regarding the Mendon dispatching proposal.

The Sr. Center Building Comm. is waiting for a response from the B.O.S. to their letter in time for their meeting on 4/17/00.

Gikas requested that a "to do" list, or punchlist be produced so that issues do not fall through the cracks and that such a list be placed in Board members' mailboxes on a weekly or biweekly basis.

Dean made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss contract negotiations and matters of possible litigation. Gikas seconded and the roll call vote was unanimous.

Following the Executive Session, the Board signed warrants and the meeting was adjourned.

Lee Davis, Chairman

Kenneth Gikas, Vice Chairperson

Lincoln Barber, Secretary

Jennifer Dean

C. Althea Czarn

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Corrections made by our legal, Executive Secretary