

Minutes
Select Board Regular Meeting
Monday March 3, 2008
Police Station Community Room
7:00 pm

Vice Chair Person Kathleen Grady called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Present: Select Board Persons Kathleen Grady, William Scibelli, Paul Santaniello and Brian Ashe. Chair Person Hal Haberman arrived at 7:28 pm

Also Present (as signed in): Town Manager Robin Crosbie; Recording Secretary Stacy Wieners; Capital Planning M. Gold and LCTV N. Michaels.

Announcements:

- A Special Town Meeting will be held on March 4, 2008 at 7:00 pm at the Longmeadow High School to accomplish the transfer of funds for sewer rebates from the reserve fund.
- The last day to obtain nomination papers is March 21st for Town Elections. They must be submitted no later than March 25, 2008 at 5:00 pm.
- On March 6, 2008 there will be a Budget Forum at 7:00 pm at Glenbrook Middle School.
- Citizen of the Year Nominations will be accepted until April 2, 2008.
- On April 3, 2008 the Facilities Report will be presented at Glenbrook Middle School at 7:00 pm.

Acceptance of Minutes

- Select Person Brian Ashe made a motion to accept the Tuesday February 19, 2008 Regular Meeting Notes with corrections. Select Person Kathleen Grady seconded the motion. Vice Chair Person Kathleen Grady a vote and the motion carried 2:0. Select Persons William Scibelli and Paul Santaniello abstained as they were not present at that meeting.

7:06 pm Visitor Comment and Questions – None this evening.

7:09 Moderator Mike Kallock – March 4th, Special Town Meeting- Town Moderator Mike Kallock and the Select Board discussed the Article concerning Sewer rebates to be voted on at Town Meeting. Mr. Kallock assured the Select Board that if any speaker for or against the Article presented information outside the purview of the Article itself, he would object and the presentation would be stopped. (Chair Person Hal Haberman arrived at 7:28 pm) Mr. Starr from the Water and Sewer Task Force presented some information to the Select Board regarding the structure of the rebates. After listening to his presentation, the Select Board unanimously agreed that calculations of the refunds, to be voted on at Town Meeting, are clear and accurate and will not be modified in any way. They thanked Mr. Starr for the information. Paul Santaniello requested that a copy of every document provided to the Task Force be sent to the members of the Select Board as well. Town Manager Robin Crosbie will provide the Board members with those documents.

Old Business

1. *Make Appointment to Boards / Committees - 7:05 pm-*

- Paul Santaniello made a motion to appoint Ray McCarthy to the Audit Committee for a three year term. Select Person Brian Ashe seconded the motion. Vice Chair Kathleen Grady called a vote and it passed unanimously.
- Paul Santaniello made a motion to appoint James Wheeler to the Conservation Commission as an associate non –voting member. Select Person Brian Ashe seconded the motion. Vice Chair Kathleen Grady called a vote and it passed unanimously.
- Paul Santaniello made a motion to appoint Bruce Leshine to the Historic District Commission for a three year term. Select Person Brian Ashe seconded the motion. Vice Chair Kathleen Grady called a vote and it passed unanimously.

2. *Tree belt Policy Update 9:16pm* – The Select Board reviewed information provided by Town Manager Robin Crosbie from Town Counsel as well as their policy regarding the bylaws for tree belts. Paul Santaniello still has concerns regarding the Select Board having discretion on items on tree belts. After some discussion of the two documents William Scibelli made a motion to accept the amended “**Objects on Town Tree Belts and Property Policy**” to include the statement “...provided that the applicant also receives the necessary approvals from the Planning Board or Zoning Board of Appeals, and other permits or licenses as applicable prior to placement.” At the end of Paragraph **B. Other Objects/Structures**. Select Person Brian Ashe seconded the motion. Chair Person Hal Haberman called a vote and the motion was passed 4:1. Santaniello opposed.

3. *Reconsider Polling Locations – 9:25pm* - Select Person Kathleen Grady reviewed the information regarding the second Polling location at the Greenwood Center. She pointed out the letters of support from several residents. After much discussion Select Person Kathleen Grady made a motion that the Greenwood Center become a polling location for precincts C and E effective immediately and that the location be re-evaluated after one year. Chair Person Hal Haberman seconded the motion. The motion was defeated 2:3. Haberman and Grady for; Santaniello, Ashe and Scibelli opposed.

New Business – None at this time.

8:05 – Capital Planning Committee and Cable Advisory Committee – Mark Gold, Chair of the Capital Planning Committee, reviewed a report conveying their recommendations for funding for the FY09 Budget. The Select Board reviewed the document and discussions ensued. Nicholas Katsoulis and Roger Wojcik were present at the meeting to participate in the conversation. Chair Person Hal Haberman thanked the Capital Planning Committee for all their hard work.

9:40 pm Consent Agenda – *Acceptance of Settlement Funds* – Select Person William Scibelli made a motion to accept the Consent Agenda. Select Person Paul Santaniello seconded the motion. Chair Person Hal Haberman called a vote and the motion carried unanimously.

Correspondence – None this evening.

9:41 pm Select Board Reports – Select Person Paul Santaniello provided the Select Board with copies of a new agreement from the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA). He requested

the Board members read it carefully and that it be discussed in detail at the next meeting.

Town Manager's Report – None this evening.

Select Person Paul Santaniello made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Select Person Brian Ashe seconded the motion. Chair Person Hal Haberman called a vote and the motion carried unanimously. The Regular Meeting was adjourned at 10:05 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stacy Wieners
Recording Secretary