

**Select Board Meeting
Monday – December 19, 2005
Police Station Community Room
7:00 p.m.**

Chair Person John Papale called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Present: Select Board Persons John Papale, Kathleen Grady, William Scibelli, Brian Ashe and Hal Haberman.

Also Present (signed in): Town Manager Robin Crosbie; Park Commissioner J. Russell; J. Occhiuti; A. Mazur; D. Nadeau and Dale Oleksak from the Longmeadow News

Acceptance of Minutes

Minutes of the Monday December 5, 2005 Regular Meeting notes were accepted with corrections and December 12, 2005 Special Meeting notes were accepted as presented.

7:05 p.m. Visitor Comments and Questions

Andy Mazur from the Park and Recreation Department shared with the Select Board the acceptance of a grant in the sum of \$300,000 funded by Hasbro, Inc. The grant money will be used to build a boundless playground in Bliss Park. Chair Person John Papale commended Mr. Mazur on a job well done. He also thanked him for sharing the great news with the Select Board and the residents of Longmeadow.

Joe Occhiuti had some comments regarding the consolidation of policies and procedures for the school and finance committees. He also feels that flow charts should be created by the Town Mangers office.

7:15 p.m. Budget Priorities – School Committee and Finance Committee

Members of the Finance and School Committees were present to discuss budget priorities for the Town. Discussions were about the process of the budget, what the priorities are for money allocation from a town wide prospective. Town Manager Robin Crosbie will be meeting with the School Committee's Finance Sub Committee in the near future to review and assist them with their budget. Select Person Kathleen Grady stated that she feels that the Town budget should be forward looking and focus on ways to save or make money in the future. It was decided that both committees will join the Select Board after Feb 20, 2006 to review submitted budgets.

8:51 p.m. Old Business - none at this time

8:54 p.m. New Business

1. *Vote to Accept Gift of Conservation Land* - Select Person Brian Ashe made a motion to accept from Mark and Ronda Jackowitz the property identified as Parcel B on a plan entitled "Plan of Property for Mrs. Gail Bolger, 36 Fairhill

Drive, Longmeadow, MA” drawn by Anderson Associates and recorded with the Hampden County Registry of Deeds on December 14, 2005 Book of Plans 339, Page 130 and subject to certain easements (as set forth in Exhibit A), conditional upon the acceptance by the Longmeadow Conservation Commission and further conditional upon discharge of all mortgages; that real estate taxes shall be paid on a pro-rated basis through the date of recording. Select Person William Scibelli seconded the motion; the topic was opened for discussion. Mr. Jackowitz was present to answer any questions. A brief conversation followed and Chair Person John Papale took a vote. The motion passed unanimously.

2. *Discussion – Adoption of Departmental Fees* Select Person Brian Ashe made a motion to adopt the fee schedule recommendations presented by the Fire, Building and Police Departments. Select Person Kathleen Grady seconded the motion. Chair Person John Papale took a vote and the motion passed unanimously.

9:05 p.m. - Consent Agenda

One-Day Liquor License Application- Select Person Brian Ashe made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Select Person William Scibelli seconded the motion. Chair Person John Papale called a vote and the motion passed unanimously.

Correspondence - There was a brief discussion of current correspondence.

Select Board Reports - None at this time

9:07 p.m. Town Manager’s Report

Town Manager Robin Crosbie reported that Bay Path College will be funding the electrical design work for the generator.

She will be starting meetings with all departments for budget plans.

9:10 p.m. Select Person Brian Ashe made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Chair Person John Papale seconded the motion. Chair Person John Papale called a vote and the motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stacy Wieners
Recording Secretary