



SELECTBOARD MEETING OF MAY 23, 2005

Copley Trust 5:30-6:07 Minutes under separate cover

Members Present: Shaun Bryer; Chair, Brian Kellogg, Cathy Voyer, James Paige, Steve Bousquet (arrived while meeting in progress).

Department Heads: Francis Taginski; TA, Chief Richard Keith, Mary Ann Wilson

Guests: Brian Greenia, Ed Wilson, Sam Guy, Kelly Miller, Donald Blake, Sondra Sanborn, Joanne Harrison, Gloria Wing, Graham Govoni, Steve Berson, Ron Stancliff, Bruce Tomlinson, Kristy Alferi, Joe Alferi, John Bauer, Andrea Volansky, Kelly Rogers, William Henchy, Amy Noyes,

Chair Shaun Bryer called the meeting to order at 6:07 PM at the Morrisville Water & Light Facility.

On a motion by Brian Kellogg, seconded by Steve Bousquet, the Board moved into Executive Session for the purpose of interviewing candidates for the Highway Superintendent position, to include Tag Taginski and Lisa Laughlin. The motion passed unanimously.

On a motion by Brian Kellogg, seconded by Cathy Voyer, the Board moved out of Executive Session and entered into their Regular meeting at 6:49 PM. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board took a five minute recess at this time.

The Selectboard reconvened at 6:54 PM.

GUESTS

Rescue Squad: Not present as originally planned. Presentation made during Copley Trust meeting.

Planning Commission: Bill Henchey Co-Chair of the Planning Commission came before the Board, as requested to present a brief run down of the process by which the Planning Commission came to recommend the candidate they did. Bill assured the Board that they voted and ultimately chose the candidate to fill the position they thought would fit the position best. Other Commission members stepped forward to offer their support for the process and the candidate that was chosen. The candidates were also in attendance as requested by the Board.

Ron Stancliff: Addressed the Board and stated that the Board strongly consider workability within the Commission and that he can join the Conservation Committee as they are also looking for members. He announced that to make things easier on everyone involved he will withdraw his name for consideration of the Planning Commission vacancy.

Motion by Cathy Voyer, seconded by Brian Kellogg, to accept the Planning Commissions recommendation of appointing Steve Berson. Following a brief discussion held over length of term, the motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

MINUTES:

On a motion by Cathy Voyer, seconded by Brian Kellogg, the Board accepted the Minutes of May 9th with additions to Executive Session times and adjournment time. Motion passed unanimously.

MUNICIPAL FACILITIES: Shaun read into the record several letters which are placed on file and include both statements of support for the Joint Municipal Building as well as the Union Carbide site.

- 1) Judith Wrend.
- 2) Skip and Maria Ward.
- 3) Helen Anderson E-Mail from Richard Bailey's account.
- 4) Morristown Planning Commission.
- 5) Jean Wickertt.
- 6) Shaun acknowledged but did not read through the entire letter from Mary West.

Cathy Voyer stated that Paul Trudell called and spoke to her regarding his thoughts and feelings on the project.

In addition Shaun acknowledged Sondra Sanborn's letter regarding possible conflict of interest. Shaun stated that the Selectboard had discussed and agreed that there was no conflict of interest.

There was open discussion with regard to thoughts and feelings on the project and how people thought the Board should proceed. Each Board member gave their thoughts on the project and where they thought it should go from here.

Motion by Brian Kellogg, seconded by Jim Paige to table the vote until the next meeting. After discussion the motion failed 3/1 with Cathy Voyer, Shaun Bryer and Jim Paige all voting against.

Motion by Cathy Voyer, seconded by Jim Paige, to back the Joint Library/Town Hall project and prepare for cost analysis. The motion passed unanimously.

FIREWORKS PERMIT: Tag presented the Board with a fireworks application for Joe Alferi, signed and approved by Chief Richard Keith and Chief Wally Reeve.

On a motion by Cathy Voyer, seconded by Jim Paige, the Board agreed to sign the Fireworks Permit for Joe Alfieri. Motion passed unanimously.

ED WILSON/FRAZIER ROAD: Tag gave background information of the current road condition and situation of repair. He also explained what would need to happen in order to ensure proper maintenance of the road.

Ed Wilson offered his interpretation of the situation and what must be done for repair. Ed also gave some options as to how the situation could possibly be remedied. After some discussion the Board agreed to view the road in person before the next meeting of June 6. All parties agreed to meet at the Barn on the road at 5:00 on June 6th and request that past Board members as well as others involved attend to give insight and evaluation.

PLEASANT VIEW CEMETERY: Tag presented gave update on PVC and also status of Morristown Cemetery. PVC will be coming back to the Board next year to request further funding.

BOARD LIAISONS:

Motion by Brian Kellogg, seconded by Jim Paige to table discussion of the Liaison procedure until the next meeting. Brief Discussion over contact information on file with Administration Office, Board reviewed and provided changes. ***Motion passed unanimously.***

MANOSH LETTER: Cathy Voyer asked that a copy of the letter that was mailed to Howard Manosh & Bob Davis be e-mailed to her.

FIREFIGHTER PLAQUE: Board asked status of Letter & Plaque for retired Firefighter. Shaun stated this was to have been done when Paul & Barb were still with the town. It was agreed by consensus to direct Tag to secure the plaque for Jeff Limoge. Tag suggested he would contact Chief Wally Reeve for wording on the plaque.

NEW BUSINESS:

RESCUE RATES: Tag requested this item be tabled.

UNITED WAY: Tag stated that United Way has contacted him to get permission to meet with Employees about possible Payroll Deduction for Donations to United Way. Shaun responded it would be ok for United Way to meet with Employees. Mary Ann brought up employee interest in Direct Deposit. After discussion the Board agreed to have Carol look into Direct Deposit for next meeting.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT: Board agreed to further discuss in Executive Session.

Motion by Brian Kellogg, seconded by Cathy Voyer, to authorize the Highway Department to install boulders per the direction of the School District to block cars from traveling in front of the graded School. Tag stated that delivery vehicles may become an issue. Discussion was held over this. Motion passed unanimously.

SPEEDING: Steve Bousquet stated that he had a resident contact him regarding speeding on Congress Street. Steve was informed that "Drag Racing" has become quite a problem and asked if Chief Keith could address this issue and offer assistance. Chief Keith stated that he will send more cruisers to that area and was aware that it was becoming more of a problem.

PAINTING LINES AT MELBENS: Chief Keith informed the Board that he had a meeting with Steve Benson and Mike Day on Tuesday.

CROSSING GUARD: Brian Kellogg said there is no Crossing Guard at the end of the street in front of the Graded School in the afternoons. Discussion was held over making the area safer for children.

MEMORIAL DAY: Mary Ann Wilson informed the Board she has received tons of calls regarding Memorial Day and requesting information. Tag stated that Mark Leonard had information on the parade, times, etc.

WARRANTS

On a motion by Brain Kellogg, seconded by Steve Bousquet, the Board approved the warrants as presented on the memorandum dated May 23, 2005. Motion passed unanimously

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR:

Tag informed the Board that window breaking and tire slashing in the Village has continued and that additional windows have been broken at Melbens. Discussion was held over what could possibly be going in to the vacant Ames space. Tag also stated he has recently received several calls regarding parking issues. Highway Department update, sand/salt pile in need of work and waste metal must be removed. Tag is working with Chief Reeve to accomplish this. The Highway Department could be getting some surprise inspections as well. The loader is expected back tomorrow with the repair costs at \$10,000. Street sweeping has another 2-3 days until completion. Tag requested that a member of the Board sit down with GMTA to work on ideas. Cathy Voyer stated she would do it. It was agreed that the Highway Department would continue into Executive Session.

On a motion by Shaun Bryer, seconded by Cathy Voyer, the Board moved into Executive Session at 8:54 PM for the purpose of discussing a personnel issue, to include Tag Taginski and Lisa Laughlin. The motion passed unanimously.

On a motion by Jim Paige, seconded by Steve Bousquet, the Board moved out of Executive Session and entered back into their Regular meeting at 9:31 PM. The motion passed unanimously.

GENERAL DISCUSSION:

BRIAN GREENIA PARTY: After some discussion of dates available and time constraints, the Board agreed to present the Certificate with a Gift Certificate to Melbens as well as the Plaque without having a formal dinner or brunch. Ideas for when to present the gifts were discussed.

On a motion by Steve Bousquet, seconded by Brian Kellogg, the Board agreed to disband the Facilities Committee. Tag to send Thank You Note and letter to notify Committee they are officially dissolved. Motion passed unanimously.

MUNICIPAL BUILDING: After a brief discussion the Board agreed to invite E.F. Wall to the next meeting to give a presentation. It was also agreed to invite the Library Committee to the next meeting as well.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion by Cathy Voyer, seconded by Steve Bousquet, the Board moved into Executive Session at 9:40 PM for the purpose of discussing a personnel issue, to include Tag Taginski. The motion passed unanimously.

On a motion by Steve Bousquet, seconded by Jim Paige, the Board moved out of Executive Session at 10:30 PM. The motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURN

On a motion by Jim Paige, seconded by Brian Kellogg, the Board adjourned their meeting at 10:32 PM. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted and filed this 27th day of May, 2005.

Lisa Laughlin; Administrative Assistant

Minutes Approved

Date