

IN BOARD OF SELECTMEN
TUESDAY, APRIL 8, 1997

Present: Selectman Maryann K. Clark convened the meeting with Selectman John C. Drobinski. Chairman Blacker later joined the Board.

The statutory requirements for notice having been met, the meeting was convened by Vice Chairman Clark at 7:27 p.m. in the library at the Lincoln-Sudbury Regional High School.

Town Trust Funds

The Board was in receipt of a memorandum, dated April 3, 1997, from Mary Ellen Normen Dunn, Town Treasurer and Collector, requesting approval of the purchase of \$30,000 of Dean Witter Government Income Trust and \$30,000 of T. Rowe Price Capital Appreciation Fund from available cash. She noted that the investment transactions had been recommended by the Investment Advisory Group.

Town Treasurer and Collector Dunn also requested approval of the acceptance of \$635.87 from Garelick Farms' "Back to School II" program as a donation to the School Fund for expenditure at a later date.

The Board, acting as Trustees of Town Donations, on motion unanimously

VOTED: To approve the recommended investment transactions, that is, the purchase of \$30,000 of Dean Witter Government Income Trust and \$30,000 of T. Rowe Price Capital Appreciation Fund and furthermore to approve the acceptance of the donation in the amount of \$635.87 from Garelick Farms to the School Fund for expenditure at a later date.

Scheduling of Public Hearing - Anselm Way

Town Manager Ledoux informed the Board that Barberry Homes, the developer of the subdivision off Anselm Way, has requested the temporary placement of an informational trailer on site. Town Manager Ledoux informed the Board that he had scheduled a hearing on the request on April 28, 1997, and abutters would be notified.

The Board concurred in this scheduling matter.

Scheduling of Dog Hearing

Town Manager Ledoux informed the Board that Gary and Judy Finerty have requested a hearing on the dogs that had attacked their livestock. Town Manager Ledoux noted that the incident had been described in detail in a letter, dated April 7, 1997, from the Finertys, and distributed to the Board on April 7. Town Manager Ledoux suggested that the hearing on the complaint be heard on April 28, 1997, and the Board concurred.

Annual Town Meeting

Town Manager Ledoux suggested that the Board make a simple statement regarding Article 6B (Solid Waste Disposal Enterprise Fund FY98 Budget) informing that it merely involves the closure of the landfill and that curbside pick-up and/or privatization of the transfer station will be considered at a public hearing on May 12. Town Manager Ledoux explained that he had received a number of responses to the Town's request for bids on the subject of town-wide pick-up suggesting a myriad of options. In order to consider these, and to allow for public input and education on the subject, he suggested that a public hearing be conducted in May and, depending on the outcome, possibly calling a Special Town Meeting in June.

Selectman Clark noted that the transfer station operation has had a deficient funding history.

Selectman Drobinski stated that at the very best it has broken even.

Karen Anderson-Palmer, Finance Committee, stated that the renewal structure has always been very tenuous.

Chairman Blacker agreed that it should be clarified that the article simply closes the landfill. He commented that it is impossible to be fiscally responsible *and* provide all the services the townspeople want.

Selectman Drobinski said that the site will have to be monitored for the next 20 years. He said that a wall will have to be built and the gas vented off the property. He said that these obligations will be expensive.

Chairman Blacker suggested that \$20,000 - \$30,000 should be included in the Town's annual budget each year to defray these costs over the next twenty years.

Ms. Anderson-Palmer commented that another question is how long the Town may categorize the item as an enterprise fund once revenues end.

Chairman Blacker stated that he desired to speak out against the Article 22 (Powder Mill Road Walkway program). He stated that the walkway programs have been historically a piecemeal affair. He suggested that if the Town is serious about walkways it should establish a Town-wide plan with the Planning Board and each year so many walkways should be constructed until the entire project is done. Selectman Clark agreed, but noted that the Powder Mill people have been coming to Town Meeting for many years now seeking a walkway in their area.

Chairman Blacker noted that the Board was divided on Article 25 (Amend Zoning Bylaw, Art.IX - Senior Residential Community Special Permit). Selectman Drobinski stated that he was in favor of it since it allowed more options and would deter the influx of school children into the Town. Chairman Blacker stated that whatever happens to the Weisblatt property is going to happen regardless of the passage or failure of Article 25. Selectman Clark stated that she remains opposed to Article 25 and intends to speak against it.

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Having been informed that there was a quorum for the Annual Town Meeting and there being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Attest: _____
Steven Ledoux
Town Manager-Clerk