

IN BOARD OF SUDBURY SELECTMEN

EXECUTIVE SESSION

TUESDAY, AUGUST 11, 2020

VIRTUAL MEETING

Present: Chairman Daniel E. Carty, Vice-Chairman Patricia Brown, Selectman Janie Dretler, Selectman William Schineller, Selectman Jennifer Roberts, Town Manager Henry L. Hayes, Jr., Assistant Town Manager/HR Director Maryanne Bilodeau, Director of Planning and Community Development Adam Duchesneau, Environmental Planner Beth Suedmeyer, Town Counsel Lee Smith and Recording Secretary Deb Takacs

Executive Session

The statutory requirements as to notice having been complied with, the meeting was convened at approximately 6:03 p.m.

Chairman Carty called the meeting to order, with confirmed attendance of the following named only: Carty-aye, Brown-aye, Dretler-aye, Roberts-aye, Schineller-aye, Duchesneau-aye, Suedmeyer-aye, Smith-aye, Hayes-aye, Bilodeau-aye, Takacs-aye

Continue in executive session to consider the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property if the chair declares that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the public body, pursuant to General Laws chapter 30A, §21(a)(exception 6) with respect to the Sudbury portion of the CSX rail corridor.

Continue in executive session to discuss the LSRHS Agreement and that the chair declare that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect.

Vice-Chair Brown recognized that the Board's related questions/comments were submitted to Town Manager Hayes. Town Manager Hayes confirmed that no related information had to forwarded to Lampke Law LLC.

Vice-Chair Brown reviewed the areas of concern submitted by Board members:

- Voting Representation – at this time, district representatives vote and equity in vote is not guaranteed.
- Vocational Education – the Vocational Education expense documentation confirms such expense would be included in the LS Budget and it is not.
- Apportionment of Capital Expenditures – the Agreement does not speak to how debt service is assessed.
- Budget Timeline – the budget timeline of Sudbury and Lincoln are not in sync.

Extensive discussion on appropriation took place. Vice-Chair Brown advocated for a budget timeline and suggested that Lincoln could adjust the scheduling of their town meetings. She stated that she wanted the lawyers to confirm what Sudbury can and cannot do in relation to the LSRHS Agreement.

Vice-Chair Brown affirmed that any changes made to the Agreement would have to be approved by the Mass Commission of Education – DESE (Department of Elementary and Secondary Education). She referenced 2012 legislation and the “L-S Budgeting Principals Under Statutory Method for Regional School Districts.”

Chair Carty questioned if the apportionment aspect was consistent with other school districts. Selectmen Roberts commented about the significance of population numbers.

Chair Carty recommended sending the Board’s comments/questions to Lampke Law LLC, through Town Manager Hayes.

Selectman Dretler asked how much funding was allotted to Lampke Law LLC. Chair Carty responded that there was not an exact figure. Town Manager Hayes explained that an exact budget for Lampke Law LLC had not been established, but guessed that the associated legal fee would be based on an hourly fee. Chair Carty indicated that the related expense would probably be a total of several hours.

Also to review executive session meeting minutes, pursuant to G.L. c. 30A, § 21(a)(7) “[t]o comply with, or act under the authority of, any general or special law or federal grant-in-aid requirements” (“Purpose 7”), citing to the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §§ 22(f), (g).

Minutes – July 15, 2019

Selectman Dretler moved to approve and release the executive session minutes of July 15, 2019. Vice-Chair Brown seconded the motion.

It was on motion, 5-0; Dretler-aye, Roberts-aye, Brown-aye, Schineller-aye, Carty-aye

VOTED: To approve and release the executive session minutes of July 15, 2019.

Minutes – July 23, 2019

Selectman Dretler moved to approve and release the July 23, 2019 minutes, as amended. Vice-Chair Brown seconded the motion.

It was on motion, 5-0; Dretler-aye, Roberts-aye, Brown-aye, Schineller-aye, Carty-aye

VOTED: To approve and release the July 23, 2019 minutes, as amended.

Vote to close executive session and resume open session

Chair Carty motioned to close executive session and resume in open session. Selectman Dretler seconded the motion.

It was on motion, 5-0; Brown-aye, Schineller-aye, Dretler-aye, Roberts-aye, Carty-aye

VOTED: To close executive session and resume in open session.

There being no further business, executive session was adjourned at approximately 6:58 p.m.