

IN BOARD OF SELECTMEN
TUESDAY, JUNE 9, 1992

Present: Chairman John C. Drobinski, Judith A. Cope and Lawrence L. Blacker.

The statutory requirements as to notice having been met, the meeting convened at 7:30 p.m. at the Fairbank Senior Center.

Election Polls - Relocation

Present: Town Clerk Jean MacKenzie.

The Board acknowledged receipt of a communication dated May 29, 1992 from Town Clerk Jean MacKenzie with regard to changing the polling location from Noyes School to the Nixon School. Mrs. MacKenzie commented her two concerns were telephone set-up and traffic concerns expressed by Police Chief Peter Lembo. If these two issues can be worked out, Mrs. MacKenzie believes Nixon School will be a good alternative to Noyes School, since the School Committee does not want to close schools on election day.

Mrs. MacKenzie explained it will cost \$600 to move the machines, and it will take three men two days to service the machines which will take place the week of July 9. Another concern, Mrs. MacKenzie had in moving the machines, was to be careful not to drag them across the newly refinished floors, or new rugs in the Nixon School. Mrs. MacKenzie noted that the \$600 incurred to move the machines should be paid by the Board of Selectmen.

Secretary Thompson recommended the Board send a letter to all involved asking for their complete cooperation with the intent to relocate the polling location to Nixon School. Chairman Drobinski added that Police Chief Lembo's cooperation will be needed to make this change.

Minutes

It was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To approve the regular session minutes of May 26, 1992.

Block Party - Harness Lane

With regard to a communication dated May 26, 1992 from Richard A. Hilperts, a resident of Harness Lane requesting to block off the dead end portion of Harness Lane for a block party, and a verbal approval from Police Lieutenant Ronald Nix, it was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To grant permission to Richard A. Hilperts to block off the Harness Lane cul de sac before the last two houses on July 4, 1992, from 4:00-9:00 p.m., for a block party.

Building Department - Vehicle

In response to a communication dated June 2, 1992 from Building Inspector John B. Hepting, requesting to retain the Honda currently being used by the Department, instead of a used 1983 Aries K car donated from the Police Department, it was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To approve Building Inspector John B. Hepting's request dated June 2, 1992 to retain use of the Department's Honda and instead transfer the 1983 Aries K car to the Highway Department to be used for parts.

Selectman Blacker asked if the Aries K car could be donated to the schools for use in shop classes. Mr. Thompson replied that he would follow up with Mr. Blacker's suggestion if the Highway Department has no use for the car.

Selectmen - Reserve Fund Transfer No. 92-21

With regard to a transfer request to cover sick buy back for Elaine Jones, who is retiring on July 1, 1992, Selectman Cope questioned the wording "unexpectedly" in the explanation for the request. Secretary Thompson stated the Selectmen's office has known about Mrs. Jones' retirement for about two or three months, but not in time to have budgeted the sick buyback to be included in the budget for Town Meeting.

On motion by Chairman Drobinski, it was unanimously

VOTED: To approve Reserve Fund Transfer #92-21, dated June 1, 1992, requesting \$6,604.80 for Account 501-151, Selectmen's Sick Leave Buyback.

Selectmen and Engineering - Reserve Fund Transfer No. 92-22

The Board acknowledged receipt of a communication dated May 27, 1992 from Secretary Thompson to Finance Committee Chairman James W. Haughey, asking the Committee's support for moving forward with the traffic circulation and safety plan for Peter Noyes School and Town Hall, by approving appropriations in the amount of \$8500 for completion of the "Sudbury Center Parking Areas" plan dated August 20, 1984, and cost estimate by Town Engineer I. William Place in a communication dated May 8, 1992.

Further encouragement was received in a communication dated May 8, 1992 from Noyes Principal Nancy Diamonti and Assistant Principal Vincent E. DiMilla who expressed their appreciation for meeting with them on May 4, 1992 and reviewing the plan with them.

On the recommendation of the Executive Secretary, it was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To approve Reserve Fund Transfer 92-22, dated June 2, 1992, requesting transfer of \$8,500 to Engineering Gen. Exp. Account 502-210, for traffic circulation and safety plan for Peter Noyes School and Town Hall.

Fort Devens Sudbury Annex - FOCUS Proposal

The Board acknowledged receipt of the following communications: 1) Communication dated April 21, 1992 to Congressman Chester Atkins from Four Town Families Organized to Clean Up Sites (FOCUS) Director Cindy Ruzich proposing the Annex be declared a federally protected wildlife refuge; 2) Communication dated April 23, 1992 to the Board of Selectmen from FOCUS Director Cindy Ruzich, asking for support for the FOCUS proposal of a wildlife refuge; and 3) Communication dated May 20, 1992, to Congressman Chester Atkins from Selectman Paul Blazar of Hudson supporting the FOCUS proposal of a wildlife refuge.

Selectman Blacker stated he is not in favor of the proposal presented by FOCUS because 1) It does not address the issue for cleaning up the polluted areas, 2) It would take away from any economic possibilities in the future, and 3) Once it has been turned back over to the Federal Government, there would be no control over the Sudbury portion or any hope of getting it back. Mr. Blacker believes the Town should leave it zoned as open space for now.

Selectman Cope concurred that designating the area as a wildlife refuge is not a solution for the clean up that needs to be done and thinks perhaps the Town should approach FOCUS in this manner. Chairman Drobinski informed that the clean up will take place regardless of what happens to the area.

Chairman Drobinski commented the issue is the control over the property and does not want to limit any future use options.

Secretary Thompson suggested that perhaps it needs further study and it may be premature to make a decision. Mr. Thompson continued that the area will probably stay the way it is for at least ten years because it will take that long before the area is sanitized.

Selectman Blacker concurred that further study may be needed and suggested leaving the property as open space. Mr. Thompson informed that the Federal Government will not recognize the Town's open space classification with regard to this property and that there are several hurdles before this can be accomplished.

On motion by Chairman Drobinski, it was unanimously

VOTED: To give the Conservation Commission the opportunity to provide the Town with some input, and to table the matter, to be taken up again at a future meeting.

Cable Television Committee - Appointment

Upon receipt of an application for appointment to the Cable Television Committee, dated May 27, 1992, and recommendation by the Cable Television Committee, it was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To appoint Jacqueline Fergione, 9 Churchill Street, to the Cable Television Committee for a term to expire April 30, 1993.

Veterans - Appointments

Upon receipt and review of Ms. Hillery's resume and military summary, it was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To appoint Mary Jane Hillery, 66 Willow Road, effective June 2, 1992, as temporary Acting Veterans' Agent and Director of Veterans' Services, and it was further

VOTED: To appoint Mary Jane Hillery, 66 Willow Road, effective June 2, 1992, as temporary Acting Veterans' Graves Officer.

Easements - Great Pond Woods Subdivision

In connection with the ATM Street Acceptance Article, it was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To accept Utility and Drain & Access Easement granted by Fredda Broverman, 45 Webster Circle, dated March 22, 1992 as shown on the Great Pond Woods Subdivision Plan, and it was further

VOTED: To accept Drainage and Access Easement granted by Jonathan J. Sirota and Sue Sirota, 34 Webster Circle, dated March 22, 1992 as shown on the Great Pond Woods Subdivision Plan.

Utility Petition 92-8 - Woodmere Drive

Present: Mr. Edmund Kelly, Boston Edison Company.

The Board convened a public hearing to consider Utility Petition 92-8, dated May 14, 1992, from Boston Edison Company for permission to install eight (8) feet of conduit at pole 311/2 Woodmere Drive, Sudbury, to provide new underground electric service to a telephone vault.

Secretary Thompson informed that all abutters have been properly notified and approvals by the Wiring Inspector and the Building Inspector were received June 8, 1992.

On motion of Chairman Drobinski, it was unanimously

VOTED: To approve Utility Petition 92-8 of Boston Edison Company for permission to lay and maintain, and a location for, a line of conduits and manholes with the necessary wires and cables therein, under the following public way of the Town:

Woodmere Drive - southwesterly approximately 218 feet southeast of Morse Road, from Pole 311/2, a distance of about 8 feet - conduit; as shown on Boston Edison Company "Plan of Woodmere Drive, Sudbury," dated May 14, 1992.

Metropolitan Area Planning Council - TIP

The Board acknowledged receipt of a communication dated May 27, 1992 from MAPC Executive Director David C. Soule requesting participation at a meeting on June 9, 1992 to formulate a new

Transportation Improvement Program for the Boston Region. Mr. Thompson informed that Sudbury has been removed from the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

Executive Secretary Thompson noted he did not attend this meeting; however, he called Mr. Soule who agreed to make a statement on behalf of Sudbury with regard to funding for the Sudbury Route 20 Project. Mr. Thompson gave copies of the letter he submitted to the MAPC to the Selectmen in which he strongly encouraged the MAPC to include the Route 20 project in the new TIP so-called Blue Pages.

WilTel Communications Systems - Proposal

Present: Administrative Assistant to the Board of Selectmen Janet Silva.

In relation to proposals received on May 26, 1992, for furnishing a new telephone system for Town offices, the Board was in receipt of an evaluation of the Technical Proposals dated May 29, 1992, prepared by Janet Silva, Administrative Assistant to the Board of Selectmen, and John H. Wilson, Director of Administrative Services, Sudbury School Department, and recommendation dated June 4, 1992 from Janet Silva, approved by Richard E. Thompson, Executive Secretary and Chief Procurement Officer, on June 5, 1992, to accept the low offer of WilTel Communications Systems to expand the Noyes School system.

Mrs. Silva explained she has been working with the School Department in selecting a new telephone system. The system involves two contracts - the first, which was approved at the last Board meeting, is with New England Telephone for the Centrex lines which will tie the systems in the various buildings together; and the second contract is with a vendor who will install a key system to direct incoming, outgoing and internal calling within the Town Hall, Loring Parsonage and Flynn Building complex.

The proposed system will include 1) automated attendant approach rather than a direct dial system, which would incur more costs because of the number of Centrex lines, 2) Noyes system will be in the Flynn Building and the Town will add to their system, and 3) The system offers the advantage of voice mail.

Mrs. Silva noted that Jake Kuykendall reported from his findings that the Town could realize an estimated savings of \$123,000 over a 7-year period; however, Mrs. Silva estimates a minimum savings of approximately \$91,000 over the same period of time which includes adding Accounting to the Fairbank system and changes in lines for Highway, Fire, Police, and Library.

The amount budgeted for the new phone system in the FY93 Budget is \$43,000, with an estimated total first-year cost of \$29,760, and an under budget amount of \$13,240. Mrs. Silva explained the bulk of the savings will come from not having a fulltime switchboard operator; however, savings may occur through further negotiations with New England Telephone and a "trade-in" value for the current Mitel equipment. Mrs. Silva cautioned that the above figures are subject to much fluctuation because:

- 1) Final installation may involve add-ons not yet contemplated.
- 2) Finalization with Schools regarding the Town's obligation for its portion of the system.

- 3) Charge-back of monthly line costs to Highway, Fire, Police & Library which are now budgeted in those departments.
- 4) Possible additional savings to tie in some modems and eliminate line charges.

Mrs. Silva commented that WilTel is the largest installer nationwide of the Norstar systems, and much time has been spent reviewing their product and services. In addition, she expressed appreciation for the guidance received from Jake Kuykendall of Zenwa, a Sudbury resident, who has devoted much time to the School Department and Town Offices to provide consulting services.

Long Range Planning Committee Chairman Robert Cusack commented his concern that his Committee did not receive notice of this large capital expenditure until after the fact. Secretary Thompson explained the Schools decision to automate the phone system put some pressure on the Town to follow suit as they are all tied together, and that it happened during the budget process. Mr. Thompson concurred with Mr. Cusack's comment, but stated this was an unusual circumstance which had to be addressed as the process evolved and the costs were not known until much research and effort were completed.

Mr. Blacker stated he would like the School Department to be informed the Selectmen believe the process should have been handled jointly and he requested that this be done in the future for such matters which impact on the Town. Mr. Thompson explained that, although the School Department had initiated the process, there had been much communication and cooperation throughout.

Following further discussion, it was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To accept a proposal dated May 20, 1992, from WilTel Communications Systems, 63 Fountain Street, Framingham, Ma., entitled "Alternate Bid, Expand Existing Noyes System to Accommodate Town Hall and Loring Parsonage and Flynn Building", to include Norstar Equipment Expansion--with upgrade of Startalk voice mail system to 4 port 6.25 hour unit, at the price of \$19,562.44; and to authorize the chairman to sign agreement therefor following approval by Town Counsel.

Deferred Compensation Plan - PEBSCO

Present: Treasurer/Collector Mary Ellen Dunn; PEBSCO Representative Pat Conway.

The Board acknowledged receipt of the following communications: 1) Communications dated March 28 and June 4, 1992 from Treasurer/Collector Mary Ellen Dunn explaining and recommending a deferred compensation plan for all employees not currently covered by the Middlesex County Retirement System (PEBSCO); 2) Copy of Public Employee Retirement Administration Functions and Responsibilities compiled by Massachusetts Collectors and Treasurers Association dated February 5, 1992; 3) Memo dated June 2, 1992 from Budget and Personnel Officer Terri Ackerman recommending certain employees not withdraw PEBSCO (Public Employees Benefit Services Corporation) funds before one year, or exception if employees have four or more years of continuous service with the Town, and 4) Communication dated June 5, 1992 from Assistant Town Counsel David J. Doneski with regard to the same and providing a draft vote for the Board.

Because of recent legislation passed in December, 1991 (Ch.494 of the Acts of 1991), enabling public employers to require part-time seasonal and temporary employees to participate in a deferred

compensation or other "defined contribution" plan maintained by the employer, thereby exempting part-time public employees from the Social Security tax, the PEBSCO Plan has been introduced.

Mrs. Dunn explained the new PEBSCO Plan will realize savings to the Town of \$25,000 because the Town will not be paying Social Security benefits for part-time employees. The PEBSCO Plan does not replace the Medicare portion of Social Security which everyone pays, according to Ms. Dunn. The PEBSCO Plan is a mandatory deferred compensation plan deposited in the Vanguard Money Market earning a competitive rate of return and tax free until withdrawn. The employees are assured of receiving all monies placed in the fund plus reasonable interest.

Ms. Dunn continued that the Town is following the State's recommendations, even though there are other options. The Town is separate from the State in that they can negotiate separately.

Selectman Blacker asked if the Vanguard fund was the only one used for investments. Ms. Conway explained that it is, because of having to guarantee a full return on monies deposited plus interest. Other investment options are subject to fluctuations.

All part-time employees will be included in this plan including seasonal employees. Ms. Dunn informed the reason for withholding funds for one year from those listed in Ms. Ackerman's communication of June 2, 1992, is because the Town experiences frequent returns from seasonal employees. Postponing the benefits gives the Town a better idea of who will not be returning, but the major reason is to eliminate constant paper work in terminating and reinstating employees.

Selectman Blacker asked if the Social Security benefits would be the same as the PEBSCO Plan. Ms. Conway responded that in the deferred compensation plan, the employee receives back all that is invested and it is not dependent upon age, formulas, number of years worked, etc. Social Security has limitations.

Ms. Conway commented that since the State has introduced the plan of mandating that all part-time employees participate in a deferred compensation plan, rather than Social Security, the State has realized a savings of \$8 million. Ms. Conway explained that employees are accepting it and even young adults and college students who may work seasonally are voluntarily leaving their money in the fund.

PEBSCO is an administrative coordinator and not involved with the investment aspect of the plan according to Ms. Conway.

The PEBSCO Plan is the Town's deferred compensation plan and can also be used as the "retirement system" to exempt part-time employees from the FICA tax contribution. To implement the recommendations of the Treasurer/Collector and Budget & Personnel Officer, as approved by Town Counsel, it was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To accept the provisions of Section 64D of Chapter 29 of the General Laws, as added by Chapter 444 of the Acts of 1991, section 2, and it was further

VOTED: To require that all Town employees who are not members of the Middlesex County Retirement System, as provided under Chapter 32 of the General Laws, participate in the Town's deferred

compensation program administered by the Public Employees Benefit Services Corporation effective July 1, 1992, and it was further

VOTED: To defer, for a period of one year after separation from employment with the Town, payment of the deferred compensation payable to employees in the following positions pursuant to their mandated participation in the Town's deferred compensation program providing, however, that payment shall not be deferred for any employee who has completed four or more consecutive years of employment with the Town:

- Lifeguard
- Water Safety Instructor
- Pool Receptionist
- Temporary Laborer in the Highway or Park and Recreation Departments
- Substitute Teacher
- Summer Custodian

Conservation Commission - Appointment

Present: Conservation Commission Chairman Frances Clark; applicant Loring Schwarz.

The Board acknowledged receipt of a communication dated May 21, 1991 from Frances Clark with regard to the Conservation Commission's recommendation to fill a vacancy on the Commission created by the resignation of John P. Nixon, and application and resume of Loring Schwarz.

Frances Clark introduced Loring Schwarz. Ms. Clark noted Ms. Schwarz's outstanding credentials and expressed the Commission's opinion that Ms. Schwarz is the best candidate for the position. In addition, Ms. Clark expressed the Commission's appreciation to all the applicants, stating they were all very qualified.

On the recommendation of the Conservation Commission, it was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To appoint Loring Schwarz, 12 Metacomet Way, to the Conservation Commission for a three-year term to expire April 30, 1995.

Long Range Planning Committee

Present: Chairman Robert J. Cusack, L. William Katz and David A. Palmer.

Executive Secretary Thompson informed that the purpose of this joint meeting is to review the Long Range Planning Committee's report dated March, 1992 with particular concentration on their near term recommendations and with regard to which group is handling the issues related to the different topics.

Mr. Cusack presented a chart that summarizes the various recommendations, checking the groups that are responsible for each recommendation and further denoting if the issues are being addressed.

The Board discussed each recommendation as follows:

Health Insurance - The previous meeting was noted as one where positive steps were being taken to resolve several issues. Mr. William Katz reported that the results of the questionnaire sent out by Budget and Personnel Officer Terri Ackerman are being received and compiled for comparison purposes. When the results are known and addressed, the bid process will begin according to Mr. Katz.

Stabilization Fund - Mr. Robert Cusack commented that the Committee believes any monies that come back to the Town out of the Warrant articles should go into the Stabilization Fund instead of the Finance Committee using these funds to offset future budgets.

Police and Fire Staffing - Selectman Cope informed that the Board met with the Police Department to confirm that the cutbacks are not putting the Town in jeopardy. Mr. Cusack commented that Chief Lembo's concern is that there may be times on the graveyard shift that he is lucky to have two men. There is a concern for the communications system with only two men covering and the opinion is that there should be some type of minimum coverage.

Mr. Thompson stated the Board of Selectmen has taken the position, for bargaining purposes, that in the current year and extended year they will not reduce uniformed personnel.

Mr. David Palmer suggested the Police Department put together a report on what they feel is the minimum staffing for Sudbury, by comparing with other surrounding towns and checking what the Massachusetts Police Chiefs Association standards might be.

Secretary Thompson stated that the Town has, during the budget process, compared Sudbury with other towns. This is a process the Town does periodically, according to Mr. Thompson.

Mr. Cusack commented that further reductions in Fire Department services may result in lower safety ratings for the Town thus increasing homeowner's insurance.

Selectman Blacker commented he would like a report on minimum staffing with criteria based on Sudbury's demographics, robbery rates, etc.—based on Sudbury's own statistics.

Secretary Thompson informed that this type of information could be used by the unions for negotiating purposes and should not be a public issue. This is an issue that would best be discussed when the Police and Fire Chiefs are reviewed, commented Mr. Thompson.

Sudbury School Operation - Mr. Thompson reported that Town Accountant Jim Vanar has submitted a report and his recommendations with regard to integrating hardware and software configurations between the Town and School, and the Finance Committee supports these efforts.

Capital Expenditures - Mr. Palmer made the following recommendations: 1) Establish a more rigorous system for evaluating the five-year plan and capital requests. Mr. Palmer stated the information needed was not put on the form, so the Committee has restructured the form and sent out a memo explaining what is needed and hope to be able to make better evaluations as a result; 2) Accelerate the schedule on the requests by having them distributed by July 1; submitting them by August 31 so the Committee can review them in September and prioritize the requests in October and make recommendations by November 1; and 3) The LRPC would like to get its recommendations on the Warrant under the budget article.

Consolidation of Town and Schools - Selectman Cope stated the goal is to structure the space in the best way for the Town--still a lot to do, and everyone seems to have in their own mind their own way they perceive the Town should be structured.

Mr. Cusack commented the critical thing to determine is: 1) Does the Town want to do anything at all with regard to consolidating the offices; 2) If they do, do they want to just consolidate the Town Administration or; 3) Consolidate both Town and School Administration. The next question to ask would be how will it be done and finally how much will it cost.

Selectman Cope noted that what is germane to this issue is who needs to be close to whom in order to save the Town money.

Mr. Thompson informed the Space Planning Group will be addressing these questions at their next two meetings, and noted that High School Business Manager Pauline Paste will be the designee from the high school to the Space Planning Group.

Wood-Davison House Funds - Mr. Thompson informed that Karen Poll asked that all the funds be kept intact until the Space Planning Group makes a decision, and then perhaps give the donations back to those who donated money. Mr. Katz suggested there may be a legal ruling on how these funds are spent. Chairman Drobinski stated this is an issue that needs to be addressed.

Maintenance of School Facilities - Mr. William Katz suggested, if possible, a depreciation reserve fund be set aside for the maintenance and replacement of school facilities.

Disposition of Assets - Mr. Cusack stated that funds received from sale of assets should be appropriated to the Stabilization Fund or deposited into some type of depreciation account. With regard to a list of the Town's assets, it was noted that Jim Vanar had a balance sheet for the Town. The question of this list showing all of the assets was raised and Mr. Thompson suggested obtaining a list from Ms. Ackerman from her insurance files, and in addition, checking tax possession parcels belonging to the Town through the tax office. Mr. Thompson agreed to obtain the tax possession listing and abutters of these parcels and send them out in an effort to define each one for possible sale by the Town. Mr. Katz further suggested they be identified on a map for further clarification.

Privatization of Service - There was some discussion with regard to quotes vs. bids and what was required. Mr. Cusack noted that comparisons need to be done with regard to privatization of services because of the tax impact on the Town.

Mr. Cusack noted the following additional concerns:

1. Stationery - Every department has their own personalized letterhead which costs more money and reinforces a good reason for the initiative for central purchasing.
2. School Mailings - Given to students instead of postage money for mailing.
3. Comparison made of salaries and health benefits of Town employees to other surrounding towns. Mr. Thompson noted that Ms. Ackerman is currently updating a report on salaries and could add the health benefits to her report.

Secretary Thompson informed that the Negotiating Advisory Committee candidates chosen by the Board--Marjorie Wallace and Charles Schwager--accepted appointment.

General Laws Chapter 61, Section 8 - 58 Fairbank Road

The Board acknowledged receipt of a communication dated May 12, 1992 from attorney for Claire M. Degnan, stating the owner of the property at 58 Fairbank Road intends to convert a portion of the property to residential use; a plot plan of the property; copy of MGL 61, s. 8. In addition, a response dated June 2, 1991 from Town Planner Jody Kablack stating the Planning Board voted to take no position; and a communication dated June 2, 1992 from the Board of Assessors stating they have no recommendation, were received.

Pursuant to a discussion on tax breaks, back taxes, and taxes that may have expired, and on the recommendation of Selectman Blacker in order that he may obtain further clarification, it was agreed to table any response until further information is available.

Police Department - Leave of Absence - Laura Zaccone

The Board acknowledged receipt of a communication dated June 1, 1992 from Police Officer Laura Zaccone to the Board of Selectmen requesting a leave of absence for a period of 90 days and in addition, a communication dated May 30, 1992 from Police Officer Laura Zaccone to Police Chief Peter Lembo informing him of her intent to attend the State Police Academy and requesting a leave of absence for 90 days.

Secretary Thompson informed that Chief Lembo does not recommend Ms. Zaccone's leave of absence because it has been the Department's policy to allow absences in case of emergencies or injury and there is no policy with regard to her request. Mr. Thompson stated that it will take time, 30-60 days, to process necessary civil service documents to replace Officer Zaccone.

Since it is the consensus of opinion that Ms. Zaccone is an asset to the Police Department, and because the Police Department may be able to hire a temporary provisional officer, on the recommendation of Secretary Thompson, it was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To approve a 30-day leave of absence for Police Officer Laura Zaccone to attend the State Police Academy, with a possible extension if approved following a review of her status at that time.

November Ballot - Regional School Debt Exemption Question

In response to a communication dated May 27, 1992 from Superintendent/Principal Matthew King of the Lincoln-Sudbury Regional High School, requesting the Board place a debt exemption question on the November ballot, it was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To place the following question on the November 3, 1992 State Election Ballot:

Shall the Town of Sudbury be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one-half, so called, the amounts required to pay for the Town's apportioned share of the bonds issued by the

Lincoln-Sudbury Regional School District in order to finance costs of reconstructing, equipping, remodeling and making extraordinary repairs to the regional high school?

Maynard Rod and Gun Club

On the question of authorizing an appeal of the Maynard Rod and Gun Club case, after review by Selectman Blacker with Town Counsel during the past week, it was agreed by the Board to authorize Town Counsel to proceed with a formal appeal; said appeal was filed on June 1, 1992.

Selectman Cope reported she received a call from Robert Wilson, who is a resident of Sudbury and a member of the Maynard Rod and Gun Club requesting information with regard to Sudbury's appeal. After discussion it was agreed that no information regarding the appeal would be given out, and all inquiries referred to Mr. Thompson or Town Counsel.

Hop Brook - Marlborough Resolution - 1992 ATM Article 35

Concerning the above, Selectman Cope questioned if a violation notice had been sent to the EPA and DEP. Mr. Thompson informed that Town Counsel needs to meet with Health Director Robert Leupold to clarify the situation and then the Selectmen will approve the same. Mr. Thompson further informed that he talked with Mr. John Regan from Marlboro in an effort to set up a meeting with Mayor Hogan and is expecting to hear from him in a few days. It was agreed that Ms. Cope, Chairman Drobinski, Mr. Thompson, and Robert Leupold will attend.

Pool Advisory Committee

Selectman Cope received a call from Barbara Pryor in an effort to determine the mechanics regarding the Pool Advisory Committee and its function. Mr. Thompson stated he talked with Ms. Pryor, Patricia Burkhardt, and Peter Berkel concerning the Sudbury Foundation grant for a management study of the pool. At present there seems to be a consensus on procedures and responsibilities of each party.

Negotiating Advisory Committee

Mr. Thompson stated that he will be meeting with Charles Schwager this week, the newly appointed resident member of this Committee. With regard to the process and practices, Mr. Thompson commented he will be giving both Mr. Schwager and Marjorie Wallace copies of all the contracts.

Rosalie's Sign

Mr. Thompson reported he will report back to the Board as soon as Building Inspector John Hepting has an opportunity to visit with Rosalie's and inquire about their sign, but it is supposed their new sign may not be in place because of finances.

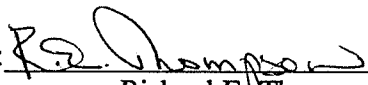
Hoffman Letter

The Board acknowledged receipt of a communication dated May 14, 1992 from Peter A. Hoffman to Town Assessor Daniel A. Loughlin, and a communication dated May 6, 1992 to Mr. and Mrs.

Hoffman from Assessor Daniel A. Loughlin with regard to a request for an abatement and a denial of the abatement request.

Mr. Thompson reported the Board of Assessors will be discussing this particular case further and will respond back to the Selectmen.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 10:30 p.m.

Attest: 
Richard E. Thompson
Executive Secretary-Clerk