

IN BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 1992

Present: Chairman John C. Drobinski and Judith A. Cope.

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

Minutes

It was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To approve the regular session minutes of September 14, 1992 as amended by Selectmen Cope and the executive session minutes of September 14, 1992 as also amended by Selectmen Cope, subject to the approval of Selectman Blacker.

Police Sergeant William B. Carroll

In response to a communication dated September 14, 1992 from Sgt. Carroll, it was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To accept the resignation and retirement of Sgt. Sergeant William Carroll from the Police Department, effective March 21, 1993.

The Selectmen expressed praise for Sgt. Carroll and stated the community would miss him.

Council on Aging - Van Donation

It was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To accept \$91.71 in miscellaneous donations for deposit into the Council on Aging Van Donation Account and to authorize the Council on Aging to expend the same for purposes of operating and maintaining the Council on Aging vans.

Notice of Intent to Sell Land under G. L. Chapter 61A

With regard to the Warren Property, 452 Concord Road and the David M. Hill, Richard M. Hill and Clark E. Hill Property, Candy Hill Lane, it was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To continue discussion and action on October 13, 1992 at 8:30 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. respectively, concerning Notices of Intent to sell the above lands under G. L. Chapter 61A for residential use.

"911" Telephone Service

Relative to the question of the Board requesting New England Telephone and Telegraph Company to install basic 911 telephone service in the Town of Sudbury, Selectmen Cope queried Fire Chief Michael Dunne as to any charge which might be applicable. His response was that the charge was in the area of a few hundred dollars to both the Fire and Police Departments, but thought it was a move forward to reaching E911 (Enhanced 911 service).

Executive Secretary Thompson asked Chief Dunne if a move to this service would conflict with the \$5,000 study being done for a regional E911 dispatch center for the area. Chief Dunne said there would be no conflict and that there are many towns in the area with 911 service in place. The Police Department would be the primary response position, with a recorder to monitor all four lines. New England Telephone, once notified, will take approximately 30 days to do the installation which would involve all the pay phones in town, as well as full page advertisements in the papers.

Chairman Drobinski asked what would happen to the old lines and Chief Dunne explained that the old lines would be kept in place for some time because a lot of alarm companies are connected to them.

Finally, those residents in north Sudbury with Concord exchanges which are connected to Concord's 911 service, would remain the same unless Sudbury goes to the regional E911 service, in which case they would change to a Sudbury first response.

Following discussion, it was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To authorize the Executive Secretary to file a formal request to New England Telephone and Telegraph Company to install basic 911 telephone service in the Town of Sudbury.

Time and Place for 1992 Presidential Election

A discussion was entered into regarding the time and place for the upcoming Presidential election. Chairman Drobinski and Selectman Cope mentioned the complaint letters they had received regarding the facilities at the Nixon School. As a matter of record, letters were received from Marge Wallace, September 16, 1992, Martha Coe, September 23, 1992, Theodore Barten, September 15, 1992, and Margaret Schwalje, September 21, 1992.

Executive Secretary Thompson started by explaining that since the primaries he, Police Chief Lembo and Town Engineer Bill Place have been working to resolve the problems that happened at the Nixon School, in order to be prepared for the November 3rd election. Bill Place has drawn a plan for parking, arrangements have been made with St. Elizabeth's Church and Featherland for the use of those parking areas, traffic control and pedestrian assistance will be available, and Boston Edison has been contacted and will be improving and repairing the lighting in the area.

Chairman Drobinski moved to accept the time and place of the November 3, 1992 election as Nixon School, 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Executive Secretary Thompson wondered if the Town Clerk, although not currently present, would consider opening the polls earlier than the suggested time of 7:00 a.m.

Margaret Sifferlen of Washington Drive expressed her opinion that the Nixon School was not the place for the election and that it should be returned to the Noyes School, dismissing the children for the day. Selectman Cope responded by stating the decision to have the polls at the Nixon School was not an easy one, and that although the very costly solution of precincts may ultimately be the answer, for now the Town should, with the proposed improvements already underway, try the Nixon location. Mrs. Sifferlen's main concern was that of parking and Executive Secretary Thompson explained that with the assistance of St. Elizabeth's and Featherland, there would be more parking than there is at Noyes. In response to Mrs. Sifferlen's comment that the children be dismissed from school for the day, Chairman Drobinski explained that item was not within the Board's realm.

Chairman Drobinski commented that during the 1986 election the Noyes School was found to be unsuitable, even with the Town Hall parking lot. He stated that if the Nixon facility does not work out, even with the proposed improvements, the Town may have to seriously look at precinct voting and to do that would take an expenditure at the Town Meeting. A figure in the neighborhood of \$50,000 had been mentioned previously to bring in the necessary equipment necessary for this type of voting. Executive Secretary Thompson said that Sudbury has now become too large for a single precinct. He also mentioned that the Board would be meeting with Town Clerk on Wednesday, September 30, at 4:30 p.m. at Nixon School to go over the plans for the election.

On motion by Chairman Drobinski, it was unanimously

VOTED: To use the Nixon School as voting facilities for the November 3, 1992, State and Presidential Election. The polls are to be open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., subject to confirmation of the time with Jean MacKenzie, Town Clerk.

(Later in the evening the Town Clerk expressed that opening the polls earlier than 7:00 a.m. would not help the situation.)

Sunset Path

Executive Secretary Thompson reported that the Conservation Commission, developer, Board of Health and Highway are in disagreement concerning a Sunset Path building proposal. If the culvert is replaced, the developer would be able to build a four bedroom home. If the culvert is not changed, only a three bedroom home would be allowed, because of septic system size. The Conservation Commission does not want the culvert replaced because of drainage; Debbie Montemerlo is willing however, to meet with the parties involved to try to come up with a possible solution.

Negotiating Advisory Committee

Executive Secretary Thompson stated he sent a copy of a seminar notice on collective bargaining to NAC.

Appointment - Temporary Deputy Building Inspector

Both Jack Hepting, Building Inspector and the Deputy Building Inspector will be away from the office the week of October 5. As a result, the Board of Selectmen is asked to approve the appointment of Frank Riepe of Old Sudbury Road, temporary Deputy Building Inspector.

It was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To appoint for the period of October 5 - 9, 1992 Frank W. Riepe, Architect, of 268 Old Sudbury Road, Temporary Deputy Building Inspector on an "on call" basis with the proviso that any items, which can wait for Jack Hepting's return, shall be held.

Agreement Water District

An agreement between the Town and the Water District relative to additional Town excavation on the Water District land and Town access to the newly acquired Melone property over the Water District land having been reached, following a unanimous vote of approval said agreement dated September 28, 1992, was signed by the Board of Selectmen.

Chapter 90 Project Request and Environmental Punch List

Submitted by Bob Noyes of the Highway Department were Massachusetts Highway Department "Chapter 90" Project Request and Environmental Punch List forms for the Board of Selectmen's signature. This agreement represents gas tax revenues in the amount of \$130,025 for the Town to pay for leveling and resurfacing work on Concord Road, Goodman's Hill Road, Peakham Road, Powder Mill Road, Rambling Road, Lombard Lane and Robert Frost Road.

It was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To sign The Massachusetts Highway Department above listed forms.

Transportation Information

Chairman Drobinski attended a Massachusetts Municipal Association Public Works Transportation and Public Utilities Policy Committee meeting and he submitted for the files: 1) material relative to authority to install regulatory signs, including stop and yield signs, within cities and towns; 2) discussion and order relative to S.J.C. case S-5890, J. Philip Mitchell and Others vs. Secretary of Administration and Another; 3) a copy of certain sections of Chapter 153 of the Acts of 1992 regarding amendments to Chapter 30B; and 4) copy of House Bill 1821 regulating payment to towns from the Highway Fund.

202nd Town Forum

At 8:10 p.m. Chairman Drobinski convened the 202nd Session of the Town Forum.

Following reports by various Boards and departments, Town Forum was adjourned, and refreshments and conversation were enjoyed by those present. This Town Forum was televised over the local Cable network and a copy of the video tape is available by contacting the Selectmen's office.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Attest: Richard E. Thompson
Richard E. Thompson
Executive Secretary-Clerk