

IN BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Friday, November 3, 2006

Present: William J. Keller, Jr., Chair, John Drobinski, Vice Chair and Lawrence W. O'Brien, Selectman. Also Paul Griffin, Park & Recreation Commissioner, Jack Ryan and Mark Collins, LS School Committee Chair.

The statutory requirements as to notice having been complied with, the meeting was convened at 8:10 a.m. in the Flynn Building Conference Room, 278 Old Sudbury Road.

Chairman William Keller called the meeting to order at 8:10 am, noting the purpose of the meeting was to discuss the L-S Community Field project. Mr. Keller moderated a general discussion about the joint L-S Building Committee/L-S School Committee meeting that occurred on Wednesday November 1, 2006 and the votes that were taken. At that meeting, the L-S School Committee voted to adopt a base bid for the project totaling an estimated \$1,666,000 for design and construction, and four add-alternates, in priority order, were identified and voted - \$60,000 for a perimeter fence, \$28,000 for track surface for the southern "D" area, \$8,000 for a third party warranty, and \$61,000 for permanent lines of four sports in standard format and MIAA compliant. This brought the estimated project cost to \$1,823,000.

The Selectmen's discussion covered various topics, but eventually general agreement was reached among the Selectmen that the project without the add-alternates would not be in the community's best interest, and the Board was interested in generating options for how the project could move forward with all four add-alternates included.

Further discussion produced the following strategy: L-S will go forward with bidding the project as voted by the L-S School Committee. Once the bids are open, the L-S School Committee and Board of Selectmen will see what the gap is between the best bid price with these four add-alternates included, and the total revenue available (currently estimated \$1,650,000). They will then work with everyone, including Park & Recreation Commission and all user groups, to raise whatever additional funds are needed to start the project with the four add-alternatives included. Jack Ryan stated there will be a 30 day period between opening the bids and when the school committee would have to accept or reject them. All hope that by the end of this 30 day window the complete funding for the project including these four add-alternates is accomplished. Mr. Griffin, Mr. Ryan and Mr. Collins all indicated support for this approach.

It was on motion unanimously

VOTED: The Sudbury Board of Selectmen endorses the L-S Community Field project, which includes a base bid and the first four add-alternates voted by the L-S School Committee on November 1, 2006, as being in the best interests of the community of Sudbury.

Further, it was agreed that a joint letter to the editor from the Board of Selectmen and the L-S School Committee will be drafted. Mr. Collins agreed to develop a draft this weekend.

Chairman Bill Keller indicated work is continuing on the development of the Memorandum of Understanding and the Inter-Municipal Agreement.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:30 am.

Attest: _____
Maureen G. Valente
Town Manager - Clerk