# IN BOARD OF SELECTMEN MONDAY, JANUARY 8, 1973

Present: Chairman John E. Taft, William F. Toomey, and John C. Powers

The statutory requirements as to notice having been complied with, the regular meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Chairman John E. Taft.

# <u>Utility Petitions 73-1, 73-2, 73-3, 73-4</u>

Present: Robert Blake, Boston Edison Company; Joseph Bausk, New England Telephone Company

In conformity with the requirements of Sections 21 and 22 of Chapter 166 of the General Laws (Ter. Ed.), a hearing was held on the following utility petitions:

<u>UP73-1</u> - Petition of New England Telephone and Telegraph Company for permission to lay and maintain underground conduits and manholes, with the wires and cables to be placed therein, under the surface of the following public way:

CONCORD ROAD westerly side from existing conduit approximately, 410 feet north of Hudson Road extending northerly approximately 148 feet of conduit

On motion, it was unanimously

VOTED: To approve the utility petition numbered 73-1 for the laying and maintenance of underground conduits and manholes described above.

<u>UP73-2</u> - Petition of Boston Edison Company and New England Telephone and Telegraph Company for permission to erect or construct poles to be owned and used in common by them, said poles to be located along, and across the following public way:

BOSTON POST ROAD southerly side, approximately 336 feet east of Highland Avenue, -- One (1) pole (One existing JO pole to be removed)

BOSTON POST ROAD, northerly side, approximately 336 feet east of Highland Avenue, -- One (1) pole (Two existing JO poles to be removed)

On motion it was unanimously

VOTED: To reschedule the hearing on UP73-2 on February 5, 1973, at 7:30 p.m.

<u>UP73-3</u> - Petition of Boston Edison Company and New England Telephone and Telegraph Company for permission to erect or construct a pole, to be used in common by them, said pole to be located along and across the following public way:

HUDSON ROAD northerly side, approximately 502 feet east of

Lillian Avenue, -- One (1) pole.

On motion, it was unanimously

VOTED: To approve the utility petition numbered 73-3 for joint or identical location for the pole described above.

<u>UP73-4</u> - Petition of Boston Edison Company and New England Telephone and Telegraph Company for permission to erect or construct a pole to be owned and used in common by them, said pole to be located along and across the following public way:

POWERS ROAD northeasterly side, approximately 215 feet southeast of Maynard Farm Road, -One (1) pole.

On motion, it was unanimously

VOTED: To approve the utility petition numbered 73-4 for joint or identical location for the pole described above.

#### Minutes

The Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of January 2, 1973, as corrected.

#### Equal Opportunity Employment Bylaw

Present: Mrs. Judith Mack and Mrs. Carolyn Edwards from the League of Women Voters

Mrs. Mack and Mrs. Edwards met with the Selectmen to discuss the formation of a committee to implement the equal opportunity employment bylaw passed by the Town at the 1971 Annual Town Meeting.

Chairman Taft suggested that as the awarding of contracts and employment practices of the Highway Commission would be subject to this bylaw, as well as those of the Selectmen, that they should also be involved in the possible organization of this committee.

It was concluded that letters would be sent to the Highway Commission and to the Personnel Board indicating the possible formation of this committee and requesting their suggestions, recommendations and names for candidates for appointment to this committee, if so organized at a later date.

## Insurance Advisory Committee

The Selectmen received and placed on file a communication dated January 2, 1973, from the Insurance Advisory Committee, relative to needs for changing Town insurance coverage. In summary, the letter requested approval by the Selectmen of the following recommendations.

1. that the Insurance Advisory Committee study the feasibility of a review by this committee of the insurance program of the Lincoln-Sudbury Regional High School with its business manager;

- 2. the addition of personal injury liability to Section II of the special multi-peril policy;
- 3. the writing of the special multi-peril policy on a blanket building and contents basis; and,
- 4. an increase in coverage on the library.

The Selectmen authorized the Executive Secretary to proceed with implementing the recommendations in this letter and directed that a letter be sent to the Lincoln-Sudbury Regional High School advising them of the availability of assistance from the Insurance Advisory Committee.

#### Resolution

The Selectmen received and placed on file a communication dated December 28, 1972, from Philip Sowa, Town Administrator, Hudson, Massachusetts, conveying a resolution by the Selectmen of that Town relative to military bombing in Vietnam. The letter requested the public support of this resolution by the Sudbury Selectmen. Following discussion of the resolution, no action was taken.

# Town Report Preparation Committee

Present: Susan F. Platt, Lynn Distler, Joseph G. Clementi, Bradley Stroup, Clayton Allen, and June E. Allen, of the Town Report Preparation Committee

Members of the Town Report Preparation Committee met with the Selectmen to discuss matters relative to the preparation of the 1972 Annual Town Report. If the present committee chairman, Mary Jane Hillery, is unable to continue serving on the committee, which now appears to be the case, the Selectmen agreed to make an appointment in the immediate future for her replacement. It was the consensus of the remaining members that they would go ahead with the report preparation. Later in the evening when the Allens appeared, they indicated their willingness to go ahead in accordance with plans to complete the report.

Chairman Taft announced that Lorell Press, Avon, Massachusetts, was the low bidder in response to requests for bids for printing the report.

# 18-Month Budget

The Selectmen discussed the upcoming 18-month budget and various ways of getting more information to the Townspeople through hearings, question-and-answer periods in the neighborhood schools, or as a part of the regular Monday night Selectmen meetings. It was suggested by Mr. Powers that it be scheduled as part of an objectives and strategies session at a regular meeting.

#### Warrant Review - Special Town Meeting

The Selectmen reviewed and signed the warrant for the Special Town Meeting, January 29, 1973, as it will be printed.

# Used/New Car Licenses

The Selectmen signed the following used/new car licenses for 1973:

Agent's or Seller's License -- Class I - C. R. Wood, Corporation 81 Union Avenue

Used Car Dealer's License -- Class II - Colonial Auto of Sudbury, Inc. 430 Boston Post Road

Station Road Auto Body, Inc. 40 Station Road

#### Walkways

The Selectmen discussed the progress of acquiring easements for the Concord Road walkway. Chairman Taft and the Executive Secretary will contact individuals from whom verbal approval of granting easements has not yet been obtained, between now and the Special Town Meeting.

# Metropolitan Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA)

The Executive Secretary reported on a telephone conversation with Mr. Paul Buxbaum, Sudbury's designee to the MBTA Advisory Committee, wherein Mr. Buxbaum stated that he had attended the annual meeting of the MBTA Advisory Board on December 21, 1972, and cast the only "no" vote on the overall budget of the MBTA - the "no" vote for reasons of enabling the Selectmen to do what they can do to get out of the MBTA. Mr. Buxbaum in his opinion further reported that it looks as though the State will assume part of the MBTA budget in 1973.

#### Acting Police Chief

Communication, dated December 26, 1972, was received from Mrs. Mabel A. Campbell, approving continued employment of Sergeant Nicholas Lombardi as Acting Chief of Police until March 1, 1973, pending the scheduling of the Chief of Police examination.

## Selectmen'a Annual Report

Copies of the 1972 Annual Selectmen's Report were distributed to the other members of the Board and the Executive Secretary by Mr. Taft. The Report will be reviewed at the regular meeting on January 15, 1973.

## Bills Payable and Payroll Warrants

The Selectmen signed a bills payable warrant in the amount of \$104,719.68, a closeout payroll warrant for 1972 of \$33,668.21 and a 1973 payroll warrant of \$162,163.19.

#### Executive Session

On motion, it was unanimously

VOTED: To go into executive session for the purpose of discussing,

deliberating or voting on matters which if made public might adversely affect the financial interest of the Town.

There being no further business to come before the Board, it was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To adjourn at 11:30 p.m.

Attest:

Richard E. Thompson

Executive Secretary-Clerk