

IN BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
JUNE 4, 1973

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

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

Utilities Petition 73-13

Present: Robert Blake, Boston Edison Company

UP73-13 - Petition of Boston Edison Company and New England Telephone and Telegraph Company for permission to erect or construct poles, including anchors and guys, to be owned and used in common by them, said poles to be located along and across the following public way:

RAYMOND ROAD, westerly side, from a point approximately 1040 feet north of Warren Road, --  
Four (4) poles. (Eight existing JO poles to be removed.)

The above-named petition was again considered as a continuation of the hearing held on May 7, 1973.

The Board had previously received the Building Inspector's affirmative report, dated April 27, 1973, and a communication, dated May 4, 1973, from the Power and Light Committee, which recommended disapproval of the petition, stating that the relocation of poles, in this case, would deface what is presently a pleasing open area of Town land, and recommending that the lines be undergrounded.

The Executive Secretary reported that the Highway Department had removed the gravel placed at either end of the abandoned section of Raymond Road to allow access, for maintenance purposes, to the eight existing JO poles.

Chairman Toomey requested that warning, or dead-end signs, be placed at these entrances because of the unsafe condition of the bridge.

Mr. Blake stated that his company was still requesting favorable action on their petition, and if this were granted, that portion of the road could be closed indefinitely. Mr. Blake further stated that there was no possibility of any underground wiring in the near future for this area.

Chairman Toomey stated that it was the consensus of the Board that until the Board receives an over-all plan of Boston Edison's intentions for Raymond Road, that the Board deny this petition.

It was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To deny Utility Petition 73-13 until receipt of the above-mentioned information, and

It was further

VOTED: To direct the Executive Secretary to contact the Highway Commission to have dead-end signs posted at either end of the abandoned section of Raymond Road.

The Board also directed the Executive Secretary to contact the Power and Light Committee to request that they contact Boston Edison Company to find out Boston Edison's future plans concerning Raymond Road.

#### Sudbury/Concord Mutual Aid Firefighting Agreement

The Board received a letter, dated April 17, 1973, from the Town Manager of Concord, which proposed a new formula base for the mutual aid firefighting agreement by increasing Concord's per capita discount from 20% to 60%.

It was the consensus of the Board to inform the Town Manager of Concord that the terms of the communication were unacceptable and that it would be necessary to do some further negotiations. The Board directed the Executive Secretary to contact the Finance Committee for their comments on Concord's proposal.

#### Sudbury Housing Authority - Oliver Land

Present: Lorraine Bauder, Myron Fox, Douglas Miranda, and Richard B. Faxon

Members of the Sudbury Housing Authority met with the Selectmen to discuss the sale of a portion of the Oliver land to the Housing Authority.

The Selectmen had previously received a communication, dated May 21, 1973, from the Authority, which stated that the Department of Community Affairs, based upon appraisals submitted to the Department, had authorized up to, but not in excess of, \$30,000, for the 7.68 acre parcel. This figure was the lowest figure approved by the Town under Article 27 of the 1973 Annual Town Meeting.

It was the consensus of the Board that \$30,000 was not a valid figure for this piece of property. The use limits of the land cannot be determined until the Board's receipt of information from the architect for the proposed police/fire headquarters as to what land can be released for sale.

Following the Board's rejection of the Housing Authority's offer, the Authority requested that the Board make a counter offer. Chairman Toomey stated that the Board would take this request under advisement in executive session later in the evening.

Police Sergeants

Present: Sergeants Peter Sullivan, George Anelons, and Peter Lembo of the Sudbury Police Department, Patrolman Robert Wenham of the Sudbury Police Department and representative of the Police Association.

Sergeants Sullivan, Anelons, and Lembo of the Sudbury Police Department met with the Board to discuss the disparity between the 18% wage differential between sergeant and patrolmen in the police department and the 23% wage differential between the captains and the firefighters in the fire department.

Sergeant Sullivan stated that the scope of responsibility and decision making incumbent upon the position of sergeant was equal to that of the fire captains and stated that in their opinion, the wage differential between the positions should also be the same.

It was the recommendation of the Board that the Personnel Board schedule a meeting with the sergeants to continue this discussion of the wage differential, and Chairman Toomey stated that the Board will contact the Personnel Board by letter.

The Executive Secretary stated that it was the Board's hope that discussions relative to this matter be held and the matter settled before the 1974 negotiations begin in the fall.

Park and Recreation Commission/Sudbury Water District - Raymond Park

Present: Richard T. Cutler and John R. Carter

Richard Cutler of the Park and Recreation Commission announced to the Selectmen that the Water District had not as yet signed their year-old agreement relative to Raymond Park.

Chairman Toomey suggested to Mr. Cutler that the Park and Recreation Commission recommend to the Water District that the District make any changes in the agreement which seemed necessary in order to make it acceptable to the District, to sign the agreement, and return the same to the Board of Selectmen.

Insurance Advisory Committee

Present: Earl Hoyle

Insurance Coverage of Town Employees - The Board had previously received a communication, dated May 7, 1973, from the Insurance Advisory Committee, which made recommendations relative to renewal of insurance coverage of Town employees. This communication had been referred to the Executive Secretary for clearance by Town Counsel, as it deals with the negotiating contracts.

It was the recommendation of Town Counsel that the benefits for the permanent full-time fire and police, the crossing guards, and the police matron, as recommended by the Insurance Advisory Committee, be discussed with the police and fire bargaining groups and the Negotiating Committee, and Chairman Toomey requested that the Insurance Advisory Committee so notify these bargaining groups.

The Executive Secretary suggested that, in the meantime, the Board authorize the execution of a rider to continue the present policy, and it was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To authorize the execution of a rider to continue the present policy, with the provision that the Insurance Advisory Committee pursue Town Counsel's recommendation to discuss the Committee's recommendations with the above-mentioned bargaining groups.

3D Fidelity Bond - Item #2 of the above-referenced letter was concerned with the Insurance Advisory Committee's recommendations relative to the Town's 3D Fidelity Bond. The Board agreed to accept the recommendations of the Insurance Advisory Committee, as they appear in the Committee's letter, dated May 7, 1973.

Lincoln-Sudbury Regional High School - The Board received a communication dated May 29, 1973, from the Insurance Advisory Committee, which made recommendations relative to the Lincoln-Sudbury Regional High School's insurance program.

Following a review of the recommendations, they were accepted by the Board, with the recommendation that the Insurance Advisory Committee discuss the same with the Regional School Committee as soon as possible. Mr. Hoyle was requested to contact the Regional School Committee chairman to request a meeting with their full committee as soon as possible, and to report back to the Selectmen.

#### Town Counsel

Regional Refuse Disposal Planning Committee - A communication, dated May 22, 1973, had previously been received from the Moderator and referred to Town Counsel, which requested the designation of the Regional Refuse Disposal Planning Committee as special municipal employees to allow for the appointment of a particular candidate.

Town Counsel questioned the Board as to whether or not they wished this committee to act as a regular or special committee and stated that if the Board classified this committee as special municipal employees, and if the candidate in question requested an opinion relative to conflict of interest from Town Counsel, that he would render an opinion.

It was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To designate the Regional Refuse Disposal Planning Committee as special municipal employees and to inform the Moderator that the individual precipitating this request, prior to appointment, should avail himself of Town Counsel's opinion relative to the conflict of interest statute, Chapter 268A, Section 22.

Heritage Park Work Plans

The Executive Secretary submitted to the Board the Town Surveyor's Heritage Park preliminary work plans for use in preparing the laying out of paths, the incorporation of garden club and landscape committee reports, and for determining who and what type of equipment will be needed in connection with the Park construction.

The Executive Secretary stated that Heritage Park work days had been tentatively planned for June 16th and June 23rd, using volunteers and some tree experts.

Selectman Powers reported that the Bicentennial Committee would like to have June 23rd designated as Heritage Park Day and that planned for that day, in this regard, were a work day and festivities, including a band concert, which would mark the end of the fund-raising activities.

It was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To designate June 23, 1973, Heritage Park Day, and to give the Bicentennial Committee permission to use the Common for a band concert and festivities in connection with Heritage Park Day.

The Executive Secretary requested and received the Board's approval to allow the Town Surveyor and the Executive Secretary to proceed with items as shown on the work plan submitted this date.

Unlicensed Dogs

In accordance with G. L. Chapter 140, it was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To authorize the Chairman of the Board to sign a Warrant to Kill Unlicensed Dogs and Officer's Return.

Cherry Sheet Distribution

The Board received a communication dated May 25, 1973, from the Board of Selectmen of East Bridgewater relative to a meeting in East Bridgewater, on Thursday, June 7, 1973, at 8:00 p.m., concerned with the inequities of the cherry sheet distribution through the use of equalized valuation figures in the distribution of Chapter 70 educational funds and the question of legality of the cherry sheet distribution figures.

The Board requested that Town Counsel attend the meeting to indicate the Town's interest and past participation on these subjects. Town Counsel agreed to attend the meeting and will report back to the Selectmen.

Minutes

The Selectmen voted unanimously to accept the minutes of the regular meeting and the executive session of June 2, 1973, as amended.

Treasury Warrant

The Board signed a bills payable warrant in the amount of \$300,110.79.

Appointments

On the recommendation of the Executive Secretary, it was unanimously

VOTED: To make the following appointments to the Wayland/Sudbury Septage Disposal Planning Committee, formerly known as the Regional Refuse Disposal Planning Committee, (established by Selectmen in 1971):

Ronald Espinola (Highway Commission)

Paul McNally (Planning Board)

William Cooper (Board of Health)

Peter Scott (Conservation Commission)

John C. Powers (Board of Selectmen)

Chairman Toomey announced the following appointments made by the Selectmen:

Personnel Board - Anthony Fredella and Michael Boardman

Board of Appeals - Eunice Secatore

Board of Appeals Associates - Robert A. Burd, Alphonse J. Briand, Robert P. Savoy, and John F. Cheney

Town Historian - Forrest D. Bradshaw

Veterans' Agent - Frank Grinnell

Veterans' Graves Inspector - Frank Grinnell

Executive Session

It was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing, deliberating or voting on a matter which, if made public, might adversely affect the financial interest of the Town and the reputation of any person.

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

VOTED: To adjourn at 11:00 p.m.

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