

IN BOARD OF SELECTMEN
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9, 1975

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

The statutory requirements as to notice having been fulfilled, the meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m.

Executive Session (7:10 p.m. - 7:35 p.m.)

It was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel matters.

Article 26 Join National Flood Insurance Program

Present: Paul McNally, Eben Stevens, Robert Cooper, Edward Connors and Albert St. Germain of the Planning Board; John Morgan, Planner; Sally VonBenken, Ann Bigelow, and Lorelei Snyder of the Committee on Town Administration; William Cooper of the Board of Health; and Lael Meixsell and Leslie Riseberg, petitioners

The petitioners and members of the Planning Board, Committee on Town Administration, and Board of Health met with the Board for discussion of Article 26, National Flood Insurance Program.

Town Counsel stated that he had received the latest revision under Article 26, which, in his opinion, is out of order. Town Counsel reviewed the revised motion section by section.

Mr. Turner stated that he has prepared a motion for the article as printed in the warrant with the exception that the administering authority be the Selectmen rather than the Planning Board.

Mr. McNally stated that, in his opinion, it was a Planning Board function and speaking as a single member of the Planning Board, he was opposed to any deviation from the wording in Article 26 as printed.

In response to a question, Town Counsel stated that the resolution with the administrative substitution would be acceptable to the Department of Housing and Development.

Mr. Cooper and Mr. Stevens suggested that the administration be under both the Planning Board and the Board of Selectmen.

The Selectmen and the Executive Secretary were of the opinion that many Town agencies would be involved in work under the program and that it would be better administered in its initial stage by the Selectmen.

Mr. Meixsell stated that this change would conflict with a variety of State agencies.

The Board requested that Mr. Meixsell contact them regarding his statement about State agency conflict, as there was no more time available for further discussion this evening.

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

VOTED: To adjourn the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

Attest: Richard E. Thompson
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Executive Secretary-Clerk