

IN BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MONDAY, MAY 19, 1975

Present: Chairman John E. Taft and John C. Powers

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

Appointments

It was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To make the following appointments:

Louis Abbondanzio, Jr., J. Lawrence Devoll, Sr., Ronald Laasanen, John R. McLean, Sr., Raymond J. Spinelli, Sr., Armando Troisi, Elwood G. Nix, Matteo Mucciaccio, Joseph Bausk, Joseph Bisson, Robert Hall, and Gary E. Ryan as Patrolmen Part-time, Special, For Paid Detail only; Barbara Herrick, Jeanne McCarthy, and Irene Mele as Policewomen; Josiah Frost, Fire Chief, as Special Officer, Non-paid; and Francis E. White, Building and Zoning Inspector, as Special Officer, Non-paid.

As Special Officers, Non-Paid, for Protection of Persons and Property: Robert Clark and William Kleiner (Sperry Rand Corporation); Robert Hatfield, Everett Mitchell, Ernest Russo, Roland Soucy, Gerardo Vitti, William T. Knightly, and Alan J. Vincelette (Raytheon); William Long, Chester Rafus, Clarence Wormwood, David Parr, and Richard Santella (Regional High School); Jeremy P. Rogers (Boy Scout Reservation - traffic duty only); and David E. Finan and Joseph T. Fratto (to work with Juvenile Officer at Regional High School.)

Juror

Present: Betsey M. Powers, Town Clerk

The Board drew the name of James F. Cost, 55 Washington Drive, to serve as a Grand Juror at Cambridge Court, commencing July 7, 1975.

Minutes

It was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To approve the minutes of May 12, 1975, as corrected.

Middlesex Advisory Board

It was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To authorize Chairman John E. Taft to represent the Sudbury Board of Selectmen on the Middlesex County Advisory Board until the completion of the 1976-77 County budget year.

(Attested copy of vote will be forwarded to the Middlesex County Commissioners.)

Reserve Fund Transfer Request

#0637 - Following consideration it was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To approve a request for a transfer (#0637) in the amount of \$350.00, from the Reserve Fund to Account 340-34, Loring Parsonage Maintenance, to cover the cost of additional heating fuel and the increased cost of electricity.

Selectmen's Liaison Assignments - 1975

It was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To approve the list of Selectmen's Liaison Assignments for distribution to all Town boards, commissions, committees, and department heads, as set forth in a communication dated May 19, 1975, from the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen.

Summer Schedule - Board of Selectmen

It was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To approve the summer schedule proposed by the Executive Secretary for meetings to be held on alternate Mondays during July and August, with meetings scheduled for July 14, July 28, August 11, August 25, and September 8; thereafter to resume a regular weekly schedule;

and it was further

VOTED: To dispense with the Town Fathers' Forum during the months of July and August.

Memorial Day Parade

The Board received a communication dated May 16, 1975, from the Memorial Day Committee relative to parking restrictions during the Memorial Day Parade.

Following discussion, it was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To approve the Memorial Day Committee's request that all parking on Concord and Hudson Roads in the vicinity of the Town Hall be prohibited during the Memorial Day Parade;

and it was further

VOTED: To refer the Memorial Day Committee's May 16 communication to the Police Department for implementation with the additional request that the driveway between the Grange Hall and the Town Hall be blocked to traffic during the Parade.

Landham Road Reconstruction - Walkway

The Board received a communication dated May 13, 1975, from Planner Emmanuel Tiliakos, which reported that the Planning Board has been advised by the State Department of Public Works that a walkway can be constructed as part of the Landham Road reconstruction using Chapter 90 funds, if such a request is made by the Highway Commission. Mr. Tiliakos' communication also reported that the Planning Board has requested the Highway Commission to ask that a sidewalk be included in the DPW's design of Landham Road and requested the Selectmen to support, in writing, this addition to the reconstruction plan.

Following discussion, it was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To indicate the Selectmen's support of the Planning Board's above-referenced request and recommendation.

Perambulation of Town Bounds

The Board received a communication dated May 7, 1975, from the Town Engineer of Framingham, which requested that the Board, or its representative, arrange for a convenient time for the perambulation of the common Sudbury/Framingham bounds.

The Board requested that the time be arranged by the respective Town Engineers and that dates be sought to determine a mutually acceptable appointment for perambulating all Towns bounds.

Town Fathers' Forum - 99th Session

At 8:00 p.m., Chairman Taft convened the 99th session of the Town Fathers' Forum, a summary of which is attached hereto and is a part of these minutes.

March 1, 1975, State Census

Present: Town Clerk Betsey M. Powers; Louise Babigian of the Board of Registrars

Town Clerk Betsey Powers met with the Board on the matters of the Board's certification of revised precinct boundaries and adoption of a new official precinct map based on the results of the March 1, 1975, State Census.

Town Clerk reported that the population figures which are to be certified by the Selectmen will be recertified by the State following receipt of cards concerning in-State students who have specified Sudbury as their residence rather than the towns in which their colleges are located.

Town Clerk presented the following precinct population figures as of March 1, 1975:

Precinct 1:	3,240
Precinct 2:	3,977
Precinct 3:	3,717
Precinct 4:	3,906
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Total	14,840

Following discussion, it was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To execute the certification as to number of inhabitants in each precinct as presented by the Town Clerk;

and it was further

VOTED: To adopt the revised description of precinct boundaries (3 and 4) as voted by the Board of Selectmen on April 2, 1975.

Town Clerk stated that she has prepared a notice to be mailed to each voter whose precinct number is to be changed following approval of the new boundaries by the State and that these new boundaries will be in effect for the June 9 Special Town Meeting.

At the request of the Town Clerk and on the recommendation of the Executive Secretary, it was on motion unanimously

VOTED: That the new precincts, as voted on April 2, 1975 are in effect for the 1976 Annual Town Election in accordance with Section 10 of H.5416.

Beano Application - St. Anselms Parish, 100 Landham Road

Present: Francis E. White, Building Inspector; Frank L. Dowling, applicant

Chairman Taft announced that the Board has received an application from St. Anselms Parish, 100 Landham Road, for the operation of Beano and a related memorandum from Town Counsel relative to the licensing and operation of beano games, which were authorized by the voters of the Town at the March 31, 1975 Annual Town Election.

Mr. Dowling stated that the Church would like to begin its beano operation in August, holding it each Wednesday evening from 7:00 - 11:00 p.m. throughout the year with the exception of holidays which fall on Wednesday. Mr. Dowling reported that the game will be held in the basement, which is known as the Church Hall, and that they hope to accommodate 500 people. Mr. Dowling stated that the existing hardtop, upon which they intend to delineate parking spaces, would seem to be sufficient to accommodate 500 people, and that an unimproved area is also available for additional parking, if necessary. Mr. Dowling stated that there would be no parking on Landham Road.

In response to a question, Mr. Dowling estimated that 25% of the players would be members of the St. Anselms parish and 75% from surrounding areas -- an estimate based on similar operations visited by himself.

The Executive Secretary reported that Mr. Dowling had requested the Town's rules and regulations in connection with the operation of beano. Mr. Thompson stated that any sign must be approved by the Sign Review Board and that the building must comply with the State Building Code. Mr. Thompson stated that the Board had received a report, dated May 6, 1975, from the Building Inspector as well as a copy of a notification dated March 5, 1975, from that office to the Reverend Thomas J. Burke, St. Anselms Church, which noted several violations found during the Building Inspector's and Fire Chief's recent inspection of the Church.

The Building Inspector stated that he has not since received notice from Father Burke indicating that the violations have been corrected.

Mr. Dowling stated that he did not intend to place a sign on the church property advertising Beano games.

Following further discussion, it was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To approve the application of St. Anselms Church, 100 Landham Road, for the operation of Beano on Wednesdays from 7:00 - 11:00 p.m.

It was further

VOTED: That the license be held pending notification from the Building Inspector and the Fire Chief that the violations listed in the March 5 communication have been corrected;

and it was further

VOTED: That no exterior signs relating to beano will appear on the property, as agreed upon by the applicant.

Tax Possession #145: Lots 31 and 32 - Water District Easement

The Board at its meeting on May 12, 1975, voted to table further consideration of the granting of an easement to the Sudbury Water District to allow the piping of water over Town Tax Possession #145 to Mr. Abrahamson's home on Great Lake Drive, until receipt of additional background information on this particular parcel.

The Board received a memorandum dated May 16, 1975, from Town Counsel containing the requested information. Town Counsel, in his memorandum, proposed an article for the June 9 Special Town Meeting which would authorize the Selectmen to convey Lots 31 and 32 at private sale. Mr. Turner stated that, in his opinion, the matter would best be handled in this manner.

Discussion followed relative to amending Town Counsel's proposed article to include a cost figure, and the Executive Secretary was requested to arrange for an opinion of value of the parcel in this regard.

Town Engineer - General Conference

Present: Town Engineer James V. Merloni

The Town Engineer met with the Board in a regularly scheduled general conference.

The Board had earlier received his departmental report, dated May 13, 1975, covering activities of the Engineering Department for January - April 1975 and a copy of that Department's report dated May 6, 1975, entitled, "Effect of Channel Improvement off Boston Post Road on Flooding and Drainage", which had been prepared for the Conservation Commission. Mr. Merloni stated that this report is similar in scope to work which will be required to revise the flood hazard boundary maps submitted by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

Mr. Merloni suggested that information from existing reports relating to flooding in the Sudbury River area might be used in amending the HUD maps, and he commented that the 1955 flood information relating to the Sudbury River area from the Corps of Engineers is based on a elevation of 121.8 feet above mean sea level.

Town Counsel stated that the Town should submit something to HUD as soon as possible if it is only the above-referenced information. Mr. Turner stated that HUD may accept flood plain zoning throughout Massachusetts, but that this is not known as yet.

Mr. Merloni expressed his concern that submission of flood plain material could not be substantiated and stated that HUD requires data verifying floods of record or a 100-year storm.

Town Counsel suggested that the Town's flood plain zoning maps be submitted with a red line imposed to indicate accurate flood of record data in the Sudbury River area.

The Board agreed to proceed with the submission of this information and the Town Engineer was directed to draw up such a plan and report back to the Selectmen. The Board also requested the Town Engineer to determine how many land - and home-owners were affected by the 3.2' difference between the 125' flood plain elevation and the 121.8 elevation used as the basis of the Corps of Engineer report referenced above.

Selectman Powers thanked Mr. Merloni for his assistance in connection with the information supplied to the Wayland/Sudbury Septage Disposal Planning Committee.

Fire Chief - General Conference

Present: Fire Chief Josiah Frost

The Fire Chief met with the Selectmen in a regularly scheduled general conference.

The Board had earlier received a quarterly report of Fire Department activities from Chief Frost.

Sections of the report were discussed and, in response to the Board's request for a list of specific assignments to personnel as mentioned in the report, Chief Frost asked that he might delay his response until his forthcoming appointment of a Fire Captain.

Chief Frost reported that he is presently trying to put together and to implement a fire prevention program which will involve the whole department in an in-service inspection program of all schools, mercantile, and manufacturing buildings. The Board requested that Chief Frost submit his complete fire prevention plan, when finished.

Fire Chief Frost reviewed various training programs in which his men are involved, and the Executive Secretary suggested that he be alert to possible requests in collective bargaining for salary differentials in this regard.

Chief Frost reported that the ambulance regulatory law became effective on April 1, 1975, and that the Town must apply for licensing of either a police or fire cruiser for use as a temporary ambulance. Chief Frost stated that the cost of equipping a vehicle for such use would be between \$600 - \$800, and commented that the Fire Department has insufficient funds to do so.

Lord's Day License - 4-H Brush and Bridle Club at Broadmeadow Stables, Water Row

It was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To confirm the prior granting and issuance of a Lord's Day License for the sale of Frozen Desserts, Ice Cream Mix, Confectionery, Soda Water, or Fruit to the 4-H Brush and Bridle Club at Broadmeadow Stables, Water Row for May 16, 1975.

Warrant Articles - June 9 Special Town Meeting

The Board discussed the following articles which have been proposed for the June 9 Special Town Meeting:

(a) an article to appropriate from available funds \$104,000 to be added to the 1974-75 budget of the Sudbury Public Schools -- Selectman Powers stated that the Board should review this article at a later time in accordance with the memorandum, dated May 19, 1975, from the Town Accountant;

(b) an article for sale of tax possession property #145 -- it was earlier agreed to amend the article to include provisions for a private sale by the Board of Selectmen;

(c) an article to rezone a portion of Codjer Lane from Industrial District #2 to Residential Zone A-1; and

(d) an article to adjust the salary and wage schedule for the 1975-76 fiscal year.

Executive Session

At 11:25 p.m., it was on motion unanimously

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

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

VOTED: To adjourn the meeting at 11:45 p.m.

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