

IN BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 1975

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

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

Utility Petitions #75-34, Peakham Road, #75-35, Station Road

Present: Edward F. Chisholm and William Wilson of New England Telephone

In conformity with the requirements of Sections 21 and 22 of Chapter 166 of the General Laws, a hearing was held on the below-named utility petitions:

UP75-34 - Petition of Boston Edison Company, dated July 24, 1975, for permission to construct, and a location for, such a line of conduits and manholes with the necessary wires and cables therein, under the following public way:

PEAKHAM ROAD, northwesterly, approximately 516 feet southwest of Hudson Road, a distance of about 55 feet - Conduit

The Executive Secretary reported that all appropriate departments had been notified and that reports had been received from the Wiring Inspector, dated August 20, 1975, and from the Power and Light Committee, dated September 5, 1975, both of which recommended approval.

Mr. Chisholm stated that the purpose of the petition was to provide service to the elderly housing development, and he reviewed the plan with the Board.

Following discussion, it was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To approve the above-referenced petition as submitted by Boston Edison Company.

UP75-35 - Petition, dated July 29, 1975, of New England Telephone and Telegraph Company for permission to construct, and a location for, such a line of conduits and manholes with the necessary wires and cables therein, under the following public way:

STATION ROAD, westerly side, from Boston Post Road, extending northerly along Station Road to existing pole 122/2, approximately 265 feet of buried cable.

The Executive Secretary reported that the appropriate departments had been notified and that reports had been received from the Wiring Inspector, dated August 20, 1975, and from the Power and Light Committee, dated September 5, both of which recommended approval.

Mr. Wilson reviewed the plan with the Board and following discussion, it was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To approve the above-referenced petition as submitted by the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company.

Interview - Candidate for Personnel Board

Present: Alan P. Carpenter, 424 Concord Road

Alan P. Carpenter, an eleven-year resident of Sudbury, was interviewed by the Board as a possible candidate for appointment to the Personnel Board.

Chairman Taft explained to Mr. Carpenter the function and scope of the Personnel Board, and discussion followed relative to Mr. Carpenter's pertinent background experience and interest in serving on the Personnel Board.

Site Plan Application #75-152, Sudbury Cooperative Pre-School, Church Street -  
Renewal

Present: Barbara Meehan, applicant; Francis E. White, Zoning Enforcement Agent

Mr. White presented the site plan for Sudbury Cooperative Pre-School and explained that the only change to the plan indicates the recent renovation to the Church and that the wing in which the school is housed has not been changed.

Chairman Taft reported that favorable reports had been received from the Planning Board, dated September 2, 1975, from the Zoning Enforcement Agent, dated August 8, 1975, and from the Board of Health dated August 14, 1975.

Following discussion, it was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To approve the site plan for the Sudbury Cooperative Pre-School dated April 2, 1970, revised August 7, 1975.

Interview - Candidate for Personnel Board

Present: Daniel McLean, 32 Reeves Street

Mr. Daniel McLean, a four-year resident of Sudbury, was interviewed by the Board as a possible candidate for appointment to the Personnel Board.

Chairman Taft explained to Mr. McLean the function and scope of the Personnel Board, and discussion followed relative to Mr. McLean's pertinent background experience and interest in serving on the Personnel Board.

Minutes

It was on motion

VOTED: To approve the minutes of the regular meeting and the executive session of August 25, 1975, and the executive session of September 2, 1975, as submitted.

Appointment - Special Police Officer

In response to a request dated September 3, 1975, from the Chief of Police, it was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To appoint Warren Wright, 153 Woodside Road, as a Special Police Officer, non-paid, for duty at the Loring School, for a term to expire on April 30, 1976.

License for Public Entertainment, Lord's Day - Sudbury Skating & Tennis Club, Inc.

Following review of the application, it was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To approve the application of Sudbury Skating and Tennis Club, Inc., 31 Union Avenue, for a Sunday entertainment license to operate electrical or mechanical music in connection with skating and tennis activities from September 21, 1975, through March 28, 1976, from 1:00 p.m. to 12:00 p.m.

One-Day Beer and Wine License Application - Our Lady of Fatima Parish

Following review, it was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To approve the application of Victor G. Walsh, Our Lady of Fatima Parish, for a license to sell malt beverages on Sunday, September 21, 1975, one day only, to accommodate the annual family picnic at the Shrine Grounds on Mossman Road.

Town Clerk Fees

Present: Town Clerk Betsey M. Powers; Larry Gogolin, Chairman of the Finance Committee

Chairman Taft reported that Town Counsel had, within the hour, telephoned the Board to notify them that he was unable to attend tonight's meeting.

Following discussion and with the concurrence of Town Clerk and the Chairman of the Finance Committee, it was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To defer discussion relative to Town Clerk fees until 9:00 p.m. September 15, 1975, to enable Town Counsel to be present.

Sale of Tax Possession Properties

The Executive Secretary reported that a list of tax possession properties proposed for sale at auction had been distributed to the appropriate Town boards for their review, with the request that the Selectmen be notified of any board interest.

The Executive Secretary reported that board responses had been received, as follows: from the Town Engineer, dated September 4, 1975; from the Conservation Commission, dated September 4, 1975; and from the Board of Health, dated September 5, 1975.

The Executive Secretary now reviewed the individual parcels as listed on a sheet dated September 8, 1975, and advised the Selectmen of departmental recommendations and requests. The Executive Secretary also indicated Town Counsel's, the Town Engineer's and his recommendations for each parcel.

Following discussion, it was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To offer the following tax possession properties for sale at public auction: Nos. 41, 42, 49, 60, 70, 104, 118, 121, 123, 126, 127, 138, 140, 141, 143, 146, 153, 161, 163, 164, and 165, as set forth on the list prepared by the Executive Secretary dated September 8, 1975.

Woodlane II - Town Counsel's Report

The Board received a communication dated September 5, 1975, from Town Counsel relative to his action commenced against the developer and the bonding company to bring about completion of all work within the Woodlane II subdivision.

Recording of Subdivision Plans, Easements, and Deeds - Planning Board

Present: Edward Connors of the Planning Board

The Board received a copy of a communication dated September 5, 1975, from Town Counsel to the Planning Board relative to the recording of plans, easements, and deeds. Chairman Taft provided Mr. Connors with a copy of the communication.

It was agreed to defer discussion of the matter until September 15, 1975, when Town Counsel would be present and to ask for comments from the Planning Board on the matter following that Board's review of the communication.

School Crossing Guards - Sudbury School Committee

Present: Phyllis Prager, Chairman, and Cornell Gray of the Sudbury School Committee; John O'Neill, Superintendent of Sudbury Schools; Police Chief Nicholas Lombardi; and Edward Connors of the Planning Board

Members of the School Committee, Superintendent O'Neill, and Police Chief Lombardi met with the Board to discuss the School Committee's proposal for three new crossing guards and Chief Lombardi's reserve fund transfer requests for funding of the same. The additional crossing guards are proposed as the result of the School Committee's reduction and rescheduling of busses.

The Executive Secretary reported that Superintendent O'Neill, on August 28, had notified Police Chief Lombardi by letter that the Finance Committee had been briefed on the need for funds for the crossing guards and that, as a result of these communications, the Police Chief had prepared requests for transfers from the Reserve Fund, the first in the amount of \$4209.00 for salaries for three guards and the second for \$600 to provide clothing for the proposed guards. The Executive Secretary reported that these transfers were first seen and considered by the Board on September 2 and that it was the Board's consensus at that time to defer further consideration of the matter until receipt of additional information and documentation to justify the request -- the information to include the number of children crossing at the proposed locations, the number of present crossing guards and their locations, and a copy of the July 17 letter to Officer Carroll mentioned in the Superintendent's August 28 letter.

The Executive Secretary reported that the School Committee would not approve temporary crossing guards until the matter was resolved and, in the interim Chief Lombardi had contacted him, indicating Officer Carroll's recommendations that new crossing guard areas should include Landham Road at Lynne Road, Landham Road at Ames Road, and Pratt's Mill Road at Willow Road. Mr. Thompson further reported that on the opening day of school a crossing guard had been transferred to Landham Road at Lynne Road from Woodside Road and that an agreement had been reached between the Police Chief and the Loring School principal that the Loring custodian be appointed for use as an additional crossing guard.

Mrs. Prager stated that this would be a temporary solution which could not be supported for any length of time, as the custodian must be in the school building in case an emergency should arise.

In response to the Board's question, it was stated that the three present crossing guards are located at Fairbank Road at Butler Road, Haynes Road at Puffer Lane, and at Woodside Road in the Loring School District.

The transfer requests for crossing guards and clothing were next discussed, and the Executive Secretary stated that his office was first aware of the requests through the minutes of the School Committee's July 16 meeting. Mr. Thompson stated that the matter had been discussed at the Finance Committee's July 17 meeting, as noted in their minutes.

Superintendent O'Neill stated that following their July 16 meeting, the School Committee had contacted the Safety Officer, by letter dated July 17, 1975, requesting his recommendations relating to safety in the Loring School area, and Mr. Thompson reported that the Board was in receipt of a copy of this letter.

Mr. Gray stated that an additional bus, at a cost of \$8100, would be needed to transport the twenty-two children who are now scheduled to cross Landham Road and, in the School Committee's opinion, the hiring of an additional crossing guard in this area would be a more acceptable solution.

The Curtis Junior High School area was next discussed, and it was reported that a second bus would be needed to transport the twenty-five students who could cross the intersection of Pratt's Mill Road and Willow Roads under the direction of a crossing guard.

In response to the Board's question, Chief Lombardi reported that present figures indicate that twelve to fifteen students are now crossing Landham Road, and Mr. Gray gave the School Department's figure of a total of twenty-two students who would need to be crossed.

In response to Mr. Connors' question, Chief Lombardi stated that, in his opinion, a crossing guard at the Landham Road at Lynne Road intersection is sufficient for the Loring School area, but he stated that Officer Carroll is away on vacation until October 1, 1975, and that he did not know upon what information Officer Carroll based his recommendations.

Discussion followed upon the School Committee's willingness to accept a school custodian as a crossing guard or his deputy in the case of an emergency.

As Chief Lombardi had previously stated, Mrs. Prager stated that, in her opinion, a crossing guard for the Curtis Junior High students is not necessary, and Mr. Gray was in agreement. Mrs. Prager further stated that until the School Committee hears otherwise from Officer Carroll, she would abide by the decision to use the Loring School custodian, but that she could only speak for herself and doubted that the rest of the Committee would agree to accept the proposal.

Mr. Gray again expressed his agreement.

Chairman Taft suggested that until Officer Carroll returns that the Town continue to operate with the crossing guard stationed at Lynne Road.

Mrs. Prager stated that the next few weeks may not be as valid an experiment as would a similar period later in the year.

In response to the Board's question, Chief Lombardi expressed his agreement with sending a patrolman to act as a crossing guard in an emergency.

Mrs. Prager and Mr. Gray expressed their willingness to try the system under discussion until Officer Carroll returns from vacation, stating that if it does not work to their satisfaction, they will again request funds for additional permanent crossing guards.

#### Modifications to Site Plan of Frank Vana, 423 Boston Post Road

Present: Francis E. White, Zoning Enforcement Agent

On June 16, 1975, in discussion relative to the previously approved site plan of Frank Vana, for property located at 423 Boston Post Road, it was agreed that the site plan would be adjusted to reflect agreements reached at that meeting.

The Zoning Enforcement Agent now presented the revised site plan, and following its review, it was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To approve the above-referenced modifications to the site plan of Frank M. Vana, 423 Boston Post Road, dated November 1, 1974, and directed the Building Inspector to have said revised plan ready to sign on September 15, 1975.

#### Heritage Park

The Board received a communication dated September 2, 1975, from the Town Engineer which recommended that a partial payment, in the amount of \$4,407.30, be made to Dingley Contracting Co., Inc., at this time, for the work performed at Heritage Park under the contract awarded by the Board on August 11, 1975. The Town Engineer further recommended that the remaining 10% (\$489.70) be retained for thirty days, following which, if no defects can be found, he will issue a certificate stating that the work has been completed and accepted by him under the conditions of the contract.

The Board was in agreement and requested that the Executive Secretary so inform the Town Engineer.

#### Application for Incorporation

Following a review by the Board of the below-named application for incorporation, it was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To send a favorable report to the Secretary of the Commonwealth on the application of Roger Allan Bump, 9 Wilson Road, for incorporation under the name of National Center for Attitude Change Auxiliary, Inc., to be located in the City of Boston.

#### Senate Bill 2041

The Board received a legislative bulletin from the Massachusetts League of Cities and Towns, dated August 29, 1975, which set forth information concerning Senate Bill 2041, a bill which would make substantial changes in the present structure of the State School Building Assistance Program.

Chairman Taft reported that the bill had been heard before the Joint Committee on Education on September 3.

Following a discussion of the intent of the bill, which, in the opinion of the Board, would be unfairly detrimental to those cities and towns just beginning major school construction, it was the consensus of the Board that it would be inappropriate, at this time, to make piecemeal changes in the present School Construction Aid Program without first studying the "whole" school aid distribution program and its financial impact on cities and towns.

It was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To notify the Joint Committee on Education of the Sudbury Board of Selectmen's opposition to Senate Bill 2041 for the above-stated reasons;

and it was further

VOTED: To direct the Executive Secretary to send appropriate letters to Representative Ann Gannett, who is a member of the Joint Committee on Education and to other local representatives.

#### Job-A-Thon Coordinator - Final Report

The Board noted receipt of the final report from the Job-A-Thon Coordinator, dated August 27, 1975.

#### Tax Anticipation Notes

The Board noted receipt of a communication dated August 28, 1975 from the Town Treasurer who awarded bids for the Town of Sudbury on \$750,000.00 Tax Anticipation Notes, dated September 5, 1975, and due November 14, 1975, as follows:

Guaranty First Trust Company	1.81%	100M
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Shawmut Community Bank, N.A.	1.89%	100M
Shawmut Community Bank, N.A.	1.93%	150M
Shawmut Community Bank, N.A.	1.97%	150M
Newton-Waltham Bank & Trust Co.	1.98%	100M

#### Out-of-State-Travel - Executive Secretary

Following discussion, it was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To authorize an expenditure not to exceed \$650 from Account #501-71, Out-of-State-Travel to allow the Executive Secretary to attend the International City Management Association meeting in Seattle, Washington, which is to be held September 27 - October 2, 1975.

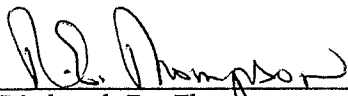
#### Executive Session

At 9:55 p.m., it was on motion unanimously

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

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

VOTED: To adjourn the meeting at 10:45 p.m.

Attest:   
Richard E. Thompson  
Executive Secretary/Clerk