

IN BOARD OF SELECTMEN
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1976

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

The statutory requirements as to notice having been complied with, the special meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chairman Taft.

HUD Discretionary Funds - 1976-77 Application

Present: Lorraine Bauder, Robert Williams, Dallas Hayes, Willie Hoover, and Dougal Menelaws, Director of the Sudbury Housing Authority; John A. Brown and others of the Sudbury Non-Profit Housing Corp.

Chairman Taft opened the meeting by referring to the Public Hearing of February 9, relative to Sudbury's proposed pre-application for 1976-77 Federal Discretionary Funds, at which the following proposals were reviewed: that of the Town Planner dated February 9, 1976, for a \$60,000 revolving loan fund for upgrading and rehabilitating properties of homeowners and for \$40,000 for construction of a walkway along Dutton Road; and that of the Sudbury Housing Authority and the Sudbury Non-profit Housing Corporation for \$60,000 (proposal to be prepared in writing for tonight's meeting).

Chairman Taft further reported that the Board had received a letter dated February 11 from the Town Planner, which amended his previous proposal for a revolving loan fund by designating specific areas in Town where the funds would be applied, and the written proposal, dated February 11, 1976, prepared by Robert Williams of the Non-Profit Housing Corporation and Dougal Menelaws, Director of the Sudbury Housing Authority, for an application of \$60,000 to make available 340 units of housing for low and moderate income people, broken down as follows: Planning (\$5000), Implementation - Seed Money (\$15,000), and Land Acquisition (\$40,000).

Mr. John A. Brown, representing the Sudbury Non-Profit Housing Corporation, responded to Mr. Tiliakos' letter and stated that he had spoken to certain HUD officials and had been informed that it would be within the Discretionary Fund regulations to have the Town purchase land and turn it over to the Non-Profit Housing Corporation for low and moderate income construction. In connection with the foregoing, the Sudbury Non-Profit Housing Corporation and the Sudbury Housing Authority were recommending that the Selectmen apply for Discretionary Funds in the amount of \$60,000 to accomplish the objectives listed in their proposal.

Selectman Powers stated that he believed the resolution adopted by the 1973 Annual Town Meeting was rather specific in that before proceeding with any development or financing, the Sudbury Non-Profit Housing Corporation would submit a report to the Selectmen and the Town Meeting before implementing any housing proposal, and on that basis, moved that the Selectmen authorize the Executive Secretary to file an application based on the written proposal recommended by the Executive Secretary and Town Planner in their memorandum dated February 9 and as amended by the Town Planner's letter of February 11.

Mrs. Judith Mack and Mr. Dallas Hayes responded that they believed that the proposal of the Non-Profit Housing Corporation under discussion did fit the resolution and recommended that the Selectmen endorse it. Selectman Powers again stated he did not disagree with the purposes or the merits of the program but questioned whether it could be accomplished within the twelve months, as required under the HUD regulations for yearly Discretionary Fund application.

Chairman Taft proposed an amendment to Mr. Powers' motion that the Selectmen apply for \$40,000 for walkways as estimated by the Town Engineer, and \$30,000 for a revolving rehabilitation fund as recommended by the Town Planner, and \$30,000 for the Sudbury Non-Profit Housing Corporation proposal.

After further discussion, the amended motion was unanimously voted with the understanding that, in the interim, if HUD did accept or fund the Sudbury Non-Profit Housing Corporation proposal, appropriate steps would be taken addressing Selectmen Powers' comments and the points raised regarding the resolution adopted by the 1973 Annual Town Meeting.

Highway Investigation Report to Town Clerk

On the question of approving the report to the Town Clerk on the Highway Investigation for the Annual Town Report, the Board approved it with minor amendments as proposed by Selectmen Taft and Powers and directed the Executive Secretary to prepare it for signing on February 17.

Article 14 - Purchase Ambulance

Present: Josiah Frost, Fire Chief; Nicholas Lombardi, Police Chief; John Wilson, Town Accountant; and Dr. Norman Pollock, Ambulance Task Force Committee.

After discussion of the Fire Chief's memorandum dated February 6, 1976, it was on motion

VOTED: To proceed with requesting Town Meeting approval of Article 14 in the amount of \$25,000, and to request that the Ambulance Task Force Committee submit its final recommendations on the operation of the Town ambulance service to the Board of Selectmen prior to the 1976 Annual Town Meeting. (Selectmen Taft and Powers voting in the affirmative; Selectman Toomey voting in the negative.)

At the conclusion of the meeting, Dr. Pollock expressed his opinion that he did not believe that the Fire Chief could operate the ambulance service with the proposed one-man call back.

Collective Bargaining

On the question of retention of Labor Relations Counsel, it was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To retain Richard W. Murphy as the Town Labor Relations Counsel for the 1976-77 collective bargaining period.

The Executive Secretary brought the Board up-to-date on his meeting with the Chiefs and Labor Relations Counsel on Tuesday, February 10, at which a consensus and package of Town demands were agreed upon and will be presented to the Selectmen in the immediate future.

Article 22 - Data Processing Facility

After consideration and discussion, on the recommendation of the Executive Secretary and the Town Accountant, it was on motion unanimously

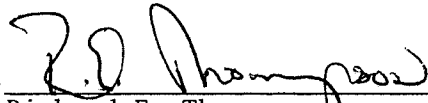
VOTED: To support Article 22 in the amount of \$12,000 for the first stage of implementation of the Town data processing system, in accordance with the first alternative as recommended in the Town Accountant's memorandum dated February 6, 1976, with the exception that the first-year rental of data processing equipment will not be initiated until an appropriations control program has been perfected by using or renting outside data processing equipment.

In addition to the above vote of the Board, the Town Accountant was directed to furnish the Board with a detailed report on what the \$12,000 would accomplish for Town data processing in the first year, and also estimate corresponding data processing cost in the ensuing three to four years, if the proposal is successful.

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

VOTED: To adjourn the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

Attest:



Richard E. Thompson
Executive Secretary-Clerk