

IN BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
MONDAY, APRIL 29, 1985

Present: Chairman Myron J. Fox, Josiah F. Frost and Anne W. Donald.

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

Utility Petition 85-12/Boston Post Road

Present: Edmund F. Kelly, Boston Edison; and abutter Mary Harrington.

In conformity with General Laws, Chapter 166, Sections 21 and 22, the Board considered Utility Petition 85-12 of Boston Edison Company for permission to lay and maintain, and a location for, such a line of conduits and manholes with the necessary wires and cables therein, under the following public way of the Town:

Boston Post Road - northeasterly approximately 149 feet southeast of Highland Avenue a distance of about 15 feet - conduit.

Boston Edison Representative Edmund F. Kelly stated that the petition is for underground cable from an existing pole as shown on plan entitled, "Plan of Boston Post Rd., Sudbury, Showing proposed U.G. location of customer cable", dated March 12, 1985.

Executive Secretary Richard E. Thompson stated that all appropriate Town officials and abutters had been notified and that a joint, favorable recommendation had been received from the Wiring and Building Inspectors, dated April 23, 1985.

It was on motion by Selectman Donald unanimously

VOTED: To approve Utility Petition 85-12 as explained above and as described on the above-noted plan.

Responding to Selectman Fox, Mr. Thompson stated he had spoken to District Manager Jack Goggin regarding the Board's concern that the cables along Route 20 be placed underground and that it might be possible to do so in conjunction with the Route 20 widening.

Frank Feeley Day

It was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To declare May 6, 1985, as Frank Feeley Day in the Town of Sudbury.

Chairman Fox explained that Mr. Feeley was a long-time, active member of the Park and Recreation Commission and that a dedication to Mr. Feeley would take place at Feeley Park, May 6, at 7:00 p.m., at which time the new lights which have been installed for the ball fields will be lit.

Family Health Plan Contract

It was on motion by Selectman Frost unanimously

VOTED: To authorize the Chairman to sign a Group Health Services Contract renewal with Family Health Plan of Massachusetts, Inc., commencing May 10, 1985.

New England Tinman Triathlon

Following discussion, it was on motion by Chairman Fox unanimously

VOTED: To grant approval to New England Tinman Triathlon to set up and use a bike course and water station in the Town of Sudbury on Sunday, July 14, 1985, in accordance with its communication dated April 19, 1985, subject to approval by the Fire Chief and Police Chief, payment by the Triathlon of any required police details, and receipt prior to the race of an insurance certificate providing the Town with personal injury and property damage insurance coverage of \$2,000,000; further subject to Sudbury being named as co-insured on said insurance policy.

The Board requested insurance coverage in the amount of \$2,000,000 as provided last year; however, the Board directed that Mr. Thompson get back to them if the cost of the \$2,000,000 premium is exorbitant. If agreement is reached that the policy be reduced to \$1,000,000, as originally proposed by the applicant, this amount should be evaluated on the basis of one million per person and not per accident.

Constable Bond/Michael P. Jennette

It was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To approve, under Section 92 of Chapter 51 of the General Laws, the surety of the constable's bond of Michael P. Jennette, bond number 68118407, Western Surety Company, surety in the amount of five thousand dollars, and to approve the filing of the bond with the Town Clerk.

Accept Gift

It was on motion by Selectman Frost unanimously

VOTED: To accept on behalf of the Town a gift from the West Newton Savings Bank of a conference table and eight chairs, offered in a letter dated April 19, 1985, and directed the Executive Secretary to forward a letter expressing the Board's appreciation.

Additionally, Selectman Fox suggested that Mr. Thompson ask branch officer, Joan M. Melley, if she cared to appear before the Board to personally present the gift.

Amend Rules and Regulations/Landfill

In accordance with a recommendation from Town Counsel's office, dated April 24, 1985, it was on motion by Selectman Donald unanimously

VOTED: To amend the Town of Sudbury Rules and Regulations Governing the Operation of the Sanitary Landfill, as follows:

- a. change section 5,C,1.a. by adding "except as allowed under section 3,D.4"; and
- b. change section 3.D.4. to read in full: "No fee shall be charged for a permit to dispose of materials from the remodeling or repair of an occupied residence or the construction of an addition thereto or the repair or construction of a garage or outbuilding on such premises".

The Board agreed that the entire document needed review with an eye to a redrafting for clarification and the Executive Secretary was directed to schedule the matter on a future agenda in the fall.

Responding to Selectman Frost, Mr. Thompson stated that the Highway Surveyor agreed with Town Counsel's amendment, as voted above, and that he would put his recommendation in writing to the Board.

Amend Rules and Regulations/Hawkers & Peddlers

It was on motion by Selectman Donald unanimously

VOTED: To amend the Town of Sudbury Rules and Regulations for Hawkets & Peddlers, as outlined in a communication from Town Counsel's office dated April 22, 1985, to include jurisdiction over hawkets and peddlers exempted from licensing under G.L.c.101,s.17.

Minutes

It was on motion by Selectman Fox unanimously

VOTED: To accept the minutes of the Regular and Executive Sessions of April 22, 1985, as corrected.

Resignation/Assistant Town Counsel

It was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To accept with regret a letter of resignation from Thomas M. French as Assistant Town Counsel, a position he has held for ten years, effective May 31, 1985, and to direct the Executive Secretary to send a letter of appreciation and regret to Mr. French and wishing him well in his move to Arizona.

Sale of Poppies

On the recommendation of the Executive Secretary, it was on motion by Selectman Donald unanimously

VOTED: To grant permission to the American Legion Post #191 and the Veterans of Foreign Wars to sell "poppies" on May 23, 24 and 25, 1985, at MacKinnon's Liquor Store, Sudbury Farms, and Star Market.

Responding to the Selectmen, Mr. Thompson stated that the usual written request had not been submitted because Mr. Dietrich of the American Legion Post has been ill; that the request had been telephoned into the office.

#### Accept Gift/Computers

Executive Secretary Richard E. Thompson informed the Board that Mr. George Gibson (resident: 34 Wagonwheel Road) had donated three personal computers to the Town which will be used by the Planning, the Accounting and Town Clerk offices.

The Selectmen directed Mr. Thompson to forward a letter of appreciation on their behalf to Mr. Gibson.

#### Health Insurance/85ATM Budget Cut

The Board acknowledged receipt of a communication dated April 25, 1985, from Frederic W. White, Consultant, Northeast Regional Service Center, on behalf of the Sudbury Education Association, relative to the 85ATM budget cut impacting Town employee health insurance. Mr. White points out that the Union is concerned there is a potential for a reduction in benefits and/or premium payments if the funds cut by the 85ATM are not restored and that would be in violation of M.G.L.c.150E, specifically section 6.

The Board directed Town Counsel to confirm the information provided by Mr. White, following which, the Executive Secretary was directed to forward said communication to Mr. Peter Anderson, 113 Landham Road, who was instrumental in effecting said budget cut at the 85ATM.

#### Spring Roadside Cleanup

Present: Arthur Morgello, Union Carbide; Jim Culverwell, Tom Shea's; and Ted Pasquarello, Chiswick Trading.

Executive Secretary Richard E. Thompson made a presentation of plans and donations from members of the business community (introducing those who were present), to assist the Town's Spring Roadside Cleanup on May 4th.

#### Certificates of Occupancy

Selectman Fox directed the Executive Secretary to inform the Building Inspector that temporary and permanent occupancy permits should not be issued, specifically to the Dudley Square project until a sprinkler system has been installed as outlined in the Fire Chief's letter of April 23, 1985.

Selectman Fox further directed that the Executive Secretary arrange a meeting to discuss a set policy on this subject with the Building Inspector, the Planning Administrator, the Town Engineer, the Conservation Commission Coordinator, the Fire Chief, the Health Director, the Chairman of the Board of Appeals and the Chairman of the Sign Review Board.

Extend License-Coatings Engineering, 33 Union Avenue

Present: Technical Director Albert J. Zaccone and Project Director Ross Perry, Coatings Engineering Corp.; Fire Chief Michael Dunne; Michael Guernsey, Board of Health; and abutter Clifford Hughes, 27 Concord Road.

Chairman Fox convened a continued hearing on the application of Coatings Engineering Corp., 33 Union Avenue, for extension of its license to store 2,000 gallons of inflammables aboveground, specifically, Methyl Ethyl Ketone, Methyl Isobutyl Ketone, Toluene, and Isobutanol.

The Board was in receipt of reports from the Board of Health, dated March 25, and from the Fire Chief, dated March 22, 1985, recommending denial of the application; and from the Building Inspector, dated March 26, 1985, expressing no objection to the issuance of the license.

Project Director Ross Perry, Coatings Engineering, explained that the parent company of Coatings, Gilbert and Bennett, has just gone through a merger; they have felt that, due to an over-capacity situation at Gilbert and Bennett, all the outlying plants (including Coatings) may be considered for consolidation; no decision has been made as to whether Coatings will be staying in Sudbury or leaving, and that it was his understanding that, if a decision to leave is made, Coatings would not be leaving for another 9-12 months. This uncertainty, he stated, has put on hold some of the programs, one of which is the installation of the catalytic reactor. Mr. Perry stated further that he expects their fate would be determined in one month's time.

Selectman Fox stated he would appreciate it if, as soon as Mr. Perry knows, he would inform the Selectmen, the Board of Health and the Fire Chief.

Mr. Perry went on to say that the following has been accomplished over the past year: 1) employees have been equipped with positive pressure respirators; 2) the fire alarm and fire suppression systems are being monitored; and 3) the primer room has been enclosed. Mr. Perry stated that the catalytic reactor for the primer fumes has been delayed due to the uncertainty of the corporate merger.

Mr. Perry stated that, due to their uncertainty at this point, they would like to withdraw their application for this permit with the condition that they can come back to the Town later when more information is available.

Responding to Selectman Fox, who asked the Board of Health if there was any objection to the withdrawal of the application, Mr. Guernsey stated he had none, but stated he did not know where that leaves the Town as far as the restriction of the catalytic reactor.

Mr. Guernsey stated that, if the 2,000 gallon permit is renewed, Coatings can continue to use the 750 gallon primer tank which allows horizontal dipping of rolls (of fencing); however, if they have to revert back to the 165 gallon inside storage tank, it means they have to put a small drum inside the big tank and dip the rolls vertically. This requires them to blow dry the rolls when they are pulled from the drum, which is a smaller process and slows down

production making them revert to double shifts; it also causes more vapors thereby creating a more hazardous situation for the employees.

Mr. Guernsey stated that the Board of Health is left in "limbo" since its conditions had been predicated on D.E.Q.E. approval of the catalytic reactor, which the Board of Health waited years and years for, and, finally, installation of the same by Coatings within four months, which was the amount of time Mr. Craig of Coatings had previously stated would be sufficient.

Selectman Fox stated he can appreciate the problems Coatings is having internally, but he did not feel it was totally relevant to the issue of safety of the citizens of the Town of Sudbury. Also, he referenced a March 11, 1985, D.E.Q.E. letter asking why Coatings had not complied with Regulations 310 CMR 7.18(11) and has not begun installation of the catalytic oxidizer, which received conditional approval from the D.E.Q.E. on November 30, 1984 (Application No. MBR-84-IND-063) which violates Section 310 DMR 7.18(11) of the Regulations for the Control of Air Pollution in the Metropolitan Boston Air Pollution Control District, adopted un Sections 142B and 142D of chapter 111 of the General Laws.

Mr. Guernsey stated that there was a letter in December of 1984 from the D.E.Q.E. granting approval of the catalytic oxidizer and the Board of Health felt that if it had been installed in the 4-month period Mr. Craig had felt was necessary, the Board would now be willing to recommend approval of the 2,000 gallon permit renewal. Mr. Guernsey questioned if denial/withdrawal meant Coatings would be automatically back to the 165 gallon tank.

Mr. Perry stated that his intention, if he withdrew, lost the permit, or the Selectmen decided not to issue it, is to still have the 165 gallon inside storage. Later, he stated that he would have to go back to 2 shifts for the priming operation.

Selectman Fox asked if, in the Board of Health's opinion, the smaller tank was preferable.

Mr. Guernsey stated it was only preferable in that it slows down their production. It could be more hazardous to employees in that room because there are more fumes built up, which leaves the Board of Health in an awkward situation. He reiterated that the original intent was that all the pollution devices should be installed and operating before the Board of Health would support the permit.

Mr. Guernsey explained that the odor which is sometimes noticeable in the downtown, post office area is not because the catalytic converter has not been installed, but because a second electric filter bed (EFB) unit had not yet been installed on the two stacks of two flat beds that are presently on the precipitators and which are not hooked up to adequate scrubbing devices. He stated further that the catalytic reactor is for the priming tanks; fumes from the priming tanks are exhausted directly into the atmosphere with no processing.

Mr. Guernsey went on to say that, in any case, whether the rolls are dipped vertically or horizontally, employees should be wearing a mask because of exposure to vapors.

Mr. Perry stated it is standard procedure for employees to wear masks, and that it is not normal procedure for people to be in the priming room - usually only for weekend clean-ups; that, whichever procedure is used - vertical or horizontal - employees can operate from outside the room.

Selectman Fox asked if there was anything the Selectmen could do legally in order to prevent further pollution from going on at Coatings, to which Mr. Guernsey stated there was nothing.

Fire Chief Michael Dunne stated he had no problem with Coatings reverting back to the 165 gallon tank. He added that Coatings has installed all the fire suppression systems that he had asked for, they call the Fire Department once a month to have the fire alarm equipment checked; fire extinguishing equipment is checked twice a year. The Fire Chief commented on the seriousness of a fire on these premises because of the inflammable storage.

Selectman Frost felt it was safer, from a fire standpoint, to let Coatings continue using the larger tank. The 165 gallon tank, he stated, meant two shifts would be necessary. (Later in the evening, Mr. Guernsey agreed that cutting down the number of hours which the priming room is in operation would probably mean a safer operation.) He felt the Town would not be accomplishing anything and that, in his opinion, the Selectmen should approve the renewal for 30-35 days, or whatever amount of time the Selectmen feel is necessary, for them to make their corporate decision. He felt that corporate decision should be submitted to the Selectmen in writing, at which time, if they plan to stay in Town, the Selectmen will then make sure that they meet the D.E.Q.E. requirements.

Chief Dunne also commented from a fire standpoint by pointing out that for obvious reasons the seriousness of the fire would be impacted by the larger storage capacity.

Mr. Perry stated that Coatings would like to have the larger capacity but felt that under the circumstances they should ask to withdraw their application. He added that over the past few years Coatings has put a lot of effort into pollution abatement, i.e., \$750,000 worth of equipment. Mr. Perry stressed that they are sincere in cleaning up the place if they stay.

Abutter Clifford Hughes, 27 Concord Road, asked what the fumes are that he smells when the wind comes from the west. He stated it was so bad the other day that he called Mr. Madden at the D.E.Q.E., who indicated to him that he would investigate. Mr. Hughes stated he is especially concerned about the odor during summer months, noting that three years ago Coatings had night shifts during the summertime and the fumes were very bad. He added that this was before any equipment was installed and that he had called the Police Department because of that situation.

Mr. Hughes went on to say that the Zoning Bylaw, (Article IX,C.1.a.) states "no use shall be permitted which is seriously detrimental or offensive

to adjoining districts or tend to reduce property values by reason of dirt, odor, fumes, or smoke. ". Under this Bylaw, he continued, if Coatings does not comply, they can be fined \$100 per day. Mr. Hughes stated that a few years ago he was so upset about this problem that he applied to the Assessors for a rebate of his property tax. He added that the problem has existed for 2-3 years. Mr. Hughes said that he asked about imposing this fine on Coatings two years ago and requested that, if Coatings doesn't do something within a specific time limit this time to correct the fumes, that the Town should test the Zoning Bylaw by imposing the \$100-a-day fine.

Responding to Selectman Fox, who questioned what is causing the fumes and odors, Mr. Zaccone stated that Coatings has had the stacks tested, all this information is on record with the D.E.Q.E., and that "DIDP" (a plasticizer chemical) is coming out of the stack, which has a slightly charred odor.

Mr. Perry responded to Selectman Fox that, in the concentrations that it is coming out of the stacks, it is not a health hazard.

Mr. Guernsey commented that he has never seen any analytic results of what was coming out of those stacks, although the Board of Health has asked for the results. Mr. Zaccone stated he would provide that information to the Board of Health tomorrow, as requested by Selectman Fox.

Selectman Fox asked which would be safer for the Town, the use of the smaller or the larger tank to which Mr. Guernsey felt there was no difference, but that it would be safer for the employees to use the larger tank; he stated it was also the opinion of the Health Director that the larger tank is a safer operation. Selectman Fox reiterated what Mr. Perry stated, the fact that whichever process is used, no employees needed to be in the priming room.

Selectman Fox stated, that if they are interested in his personal opinion to the corporate structure when making a decision, he would welcome their leaving. If Coatings stays, he stated, they will have to comply with the catalytic converter condition immediately. Selectman Fox further stated that, as far as he is concerned, he wants the Selectmen to do whatever is the safest thing for the Town of Sudbury, considering also the safety of the personnel there. Selectman Fox stated if there is anything he can do to help Coatings leave, and it is legally permissible according to Town Counsel, he stated he wanted to do so.

Selectman Donald stated this has been dragging on for six years, not three as Mr. Hughes stated, that she would only support the renewal, if, upon the decision that Coatings will stay in Town, they comply to the D.E.Q.E. regulations immediately.

Responding to Chairman Fox, Mr. Perry stated that he responded to the March 11, D.E.Q.E. communication their intention to install the catalytic converter. He said that the Board of Health was forwarded a copy of that response. Selectman Fox asked Mr. Guernsey to send a copy to the Selectmen's office.

Responding to questioning by Chairman Fox, Mr. Guernsey stated that under the Federal hazardous waste regulations there are certain things that are



required to do before the property can be sold - they have to certify that the building is free, inside and out, of hazardous materials.

Mr. Perry stressed that Coatings is sincere, if they stay, in reaching agreement and, if they leave, they plan to leave the property clean. Mr. Perry stated that, if Coatings stays in Sudbury, he would like the opportunity to prove to the Town that they will undo their past reputation.

Selectman Fox stated D.E.Q.E. and the Board of Health has told the Selectmen that, in order to store 2,000 gallons, Coatings needs a catalytic converter. He stated that it seemed the Selectmen would be sending the wrong message to Coatings if they approved a permit and, also, because the applicant had withdrawn the request.

Selectman Frost disagreed because of the danger of fire involved in the transferring of inflammable liquids which would be necessary with the smaller tank. He reiterated that Coatings has done everything the Selectmen asked with the exception of the catalytic converter.

At the conclusion of discussion, it was on motion by Selectman Frost

VOTED: To grant Coatings Engineering Corporation, 33 Union Avenue, an extension of its license to store 2,000 gallons of inflammables aboveground (Methyl Ethyl Ketone, Methyl Isobutyl Ketone, Toluene, and Isobutanol), retroactive to April 3, 1985, to July 1, 1985, subject to limiting operations to one daytime shift in the dipping/priming room, and further subject to the conditions and restrictions of the October 15, 1984, vote of approval by the Selectmen, which are to be referenced or noted upon the document evidencing such license, as follows:

1. All employees working in the priming area shall be equipped with positive pressure respirators capable of eliminating pollutants from inhaled air.
2. The company shall permit and cooperate with inspection of its fire alarm system on a monthly basis and its sprinkler system on a monthly basis; to be done by representatives of the Sudbury Fire Department and Coatings' insurance company.
3. The company shall, at approximately six month intervals, submit verification from a licensed fire extinguisher company that the dry chemical and CO<sub>2</sub> fire suppression systems are operable and conform to then-current code requirements.
4. The company shall supply to the Sudbury Fire Chief and the Board of Health a complete list of the kinds and amounts of chemicals used or stored at the premises and the Material Safety Data Sheet for each chemical, and shall update forthwith such information as and when it changes.

(Chairman Fox, opposed; Selectman Frost, in favor; Selectman Donald, in favor.)

Meeting/Town Finances

Present: Chairman Marjorie Wallace, Finance Committee; and Town Accountant James Vanar.

Blue Cross/Blue Shield

Chairman Marjorie Wallace, Finance Committee, brought up the question of how the Town is going to solve the problem of continuing to provide Town employees with health insurance benefits because of the 85ATM vote to cut \$100,000 from the medical (Blue Cross/Blue Shield) insurance, line item 950-11.

Selectman Fox pointed out that, if there is any change in the form of health insurance offered by the Town, the Town must appoint an employees advisory committee (M.G.L.c.32B,s.3), which it has done; the Sudbury Employees Group Insurance Advisory Committee will meet later this week, and the Executive Secretary will report back to the Board on that meeting.

All agreed that it might be necessary to hold a Special Town Meeting to appropriate some money to supplement the Blue Cross/Blue Shield insurance account in an amount to be verified by the Town Accountant.

Reference was made to a communication dated April 25, 1985, from Frederick W. White, Consultant, Northeast Regional Service Center, on behalf of the Sudbury Education Association, which had been discussed earlier this evening, regarding the problem of whether collective bargaining contracts would be violated if the health insurance coverage is changed.

Special Town Meeting

Ms. Wallace recommended calling a Special Town Meeting for September for the purpose of acting on the following suggested three articles:

1) Adjustment of wrap-up motion. It was recommended in a communication dated April 18, 1985, from the Town Accountant that the Town vote to rescind from the 85ATM wrap-up vote, use of \$127,422 in Free Cash, to save Free Cash for future use and to maintain appropriations at the levy limit going into the tax rate; otherwise, said wrap-up vote puts the Free Cash vote \$92,354 over the certified amount. Responding to Chairman Fox, Town Counsel expressed his concurrence that a Special Town Meeting is necessary to rescind the suggested amount from the wrap-up vote.

2) Blue Cross/Blue Shield. (discussion above)

3) Retirement. (The Town Accountant will report back to the Board within 2-3 weeks on this subject when he has more definitive information as to the actual assessment, which is being held because there has been no final decision as to whether or not the State will begin assessing communities for their unfunded liability portion.)

A Special Town Meeting was tentatively set for Monday, September 9, at 8:00 p.m., and the Executive Secretary was directed to prepare a schedule for the same for the Board's approval.

The Executive Secretary was directed to notify the Assessors of the Board's action as they will need to have all final figures before setting the tax rate in September.

#### Horse Pond Rental

Selectman Fox questioned whether the Town Accountant needed a vote of the Selectmen in order to close out the Horse Pond Rental Reserve for Appropriation Account so as to increase Free Cash after July 1, 1985, by the amount in said Account - \$35,700. The Town Accountant responded that it is not necessary to have a vote of the Selectmen because he has the authority to do so.

Selectman Fox questioned whether the Sale of Town Buildings Account (\$30,193) is handled the same way. Town Counsel responded that the sale of town buildings money can only be appropriated by Town Meeting and can only be used for similar borrowing purposes.

Following discussion, during which the Selectmen indicated their approval of the Town Accountant proceeding with the closing out of the Horse Pond Rental Account, it was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To direct the Town Accountant to close out the Horse Pond Rental Reserve for Appropriation Account, thereby increasing Surplus Revenue by the Account balance of \$35,700, which monies will then become Free Cash after July 1, 1985.

#### Budget Submission Procedures

Ms. Wallace expressed concern that, earlier in the year prior to the next Town Meeting, it be determined what funds are going to be available for the upcoming Town Meeting from the unexpended balances of articles from prior years.

After discussion, it was agreed that the Finance Committee should send out a timely notice to all appropriate Town officials, boards and commissions requesting that they notify the Finance Committee well in advance of budget hearings what funds will be released from prior year's appropriations and an explanation for those which will not be.

#### Capital Planning

Ms. Wallace expressed a conservative posture relative to capital planning because of the unknown liability possibilities, i.e., Landfill and D.E.Q.E. requirements, etc. Mr. Thompson responded that that was a good point, that we are talking about a large sum of money; however, the amount cannot be determined until the Hydrology Study has been completed, which was approved by the 84ATM, Article 12.

85ATM Budget Article

All agreed that the new voting procedure used to address the 85ATM Budget Article was good and went smoothly.

Selectman Fox pointed out, however, that there are two potential problems:

1) If Town Meeting does not finish the budget the first night of Town Meeting, on a subsequent night the same people may not be voting and those present may wish to go back to items previously voted; and,

2) Once the budget article is passed, if a voter files for reconsideration of one line item, the entire budget would be open for reconsideration.

In conclusion, Chairman Fox thanked Ms. Wallace and the Town Accountant for their concern and suggested that some of the concerns brought up by Ms. Wallace could be appropriately shared and dealt with at Town Fathers Forums, and stated that these are exactly the types of issues he thought should be shared and discussed at, and is the reasons for holding, Town Fathers Forums.

Town Fathers Forum

The Board agreed to hold a Town Fathers Forum on May 20, rather than the usual fourth Monday of the month, due to the Memorial Day holiday.

Selectman Fox directed the Executive Secretary to send a communication to all department heads, elected and appointed Town officials, and Chairmen of all appointed committees/boards/commissions stating that it is this Board's position to hold Town Fathers Forums ten months of the year (exclusion will be July and August) and that attendance or representation is expected by all.

Summer Schedule

The Board agreed to discuss its summer meeting schedule at its next meeting; Monday, May 6th.

Fort Devens

The Selectmen directed the Executive Secretary to express their regrets to an invitation from Fort Devens to attend an Armed Forces Day Military Review, May 18th, as they will not be able to attend.

Executive Session

At 10:20 p.m., it was on motion by roll call.

VOTED: To enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing Collective Bargaining, where open discussion of the same may be detrimental.

(Chairman Fox, in favor; Selectman Frost, in favor; Selectman Donald, in favor.)

Chairman Fox announced that Public Session would not reconvene following the Executive Session.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 10:40 p.m.

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

Richard E. Thompson  
Executive Secretary-Clerk