

IN BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
MONDAY, OCTOBER 27, 1986

Present: Chairman Josiah F. Frost, Anne W. Donald and David A. Wallace.

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

CODE Hotline Services

Present: Police Officer William Carroll, Nancy Schaffer, Wayne Ogden, and CODE Hotline Multi-Service Center representatives Jeffrey Katz and Lynne Ouderkirk.

The Board met with Police Officer William Carroll, Nancy Schaffer and Wayne Ogden who had formed an ad-hoc committee on their own initiative to look into the CODE Hotline services. With them were Jeffrey Katz and Lynne Ouderkirk, representatives of CODE Hotline Multi-Service Center, headquartered in Acton, to discuss with the Selectmen the services offered by the Center and the possible need of the Town of Sudbury for these services.

Mr. Jeff Katz stated that the Center provides services for residents of all ages, including pregnancy testing, free legal services, elderly reassurance, message relay for the hearing impaired, drug education, Parent-Aide Program, Narcotics Anonymous, crisis intervention training, and acts as a clearinghouse for information for Parents Anonymous and the Assabet Valley Independent Single Adults. The Center is currently providing service to eight surrounding towns. A negotiated budget is provided to the Center by participating towns.

Selectman Wallace asked Mr. Katz what he would expect the required budget would be for Sudbury. Mr. Katz said it would be about \$20,000 annually.

Executive Secretary Thompson stated that Sudbury offers some of these services through existing organizations, such as the Council On Aging, the Board of Health, Visiting Nurses Association, the Youth Commission and the Board of Selectmen.

Selectman Donald stated that she felt it was very beneficial that CODE assisted people of all ages instead of dealing with a specific age group.

Selectman Frost stated that the work CODE is doing is commendable and that the Board would consider the matter further and respond to them. The Chairman also expressed his appreciation to Officer Carroll and the representatives of CODE and suggested that they also make further contact with the Youth Commission as they are more closely in touch with residents who may be in need of assistance.

The Executive Secretary stated that the Town is currently evaluating the idea of detached social workers and other methods of trying to reach troubled youth, but it is time we take some action and maybe CODE is the answer.

Selectman Wallace indicated support for joining CODE on a one-year trial basis, then evaluate local usage to determine the value of continuing in the program.

Chairman Frost said that he did not think Sudbury was able to make a financial commitment at this time, but was interested in pursuing the services that may be available by joining efforts with Sudbury's existing organizations.

It was the final consensus of the Board that Officer Carroll, Ms. Schaffer and Mr. Ogden work with the Youth Commission, the Board of Health and the Visiting Nurse Association to arrive at a joint recommendation to support or not to support CODE, and if to support, to report back to the Board in time to submit an Article for the same (deadline December 31, 1986) for the 1987 Annual Town Meeting.

Drug/Alcohol Abuse Awareness

The Board acknowledged receipt of a communication dated October 14, 1986 from Mayor Theodore D. Mann, President, Massachusetts Municipal Association, requesting towns to hold a drug awareness day on November 18.

It was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To proclaim Tuesday, November 18, 1986, Drug/Alcohol Abuse Awareness Day.

Retainers for Town Counsel and Assistant Town Counsel

Following a brief discussion, it was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To set the annual retainer for FY87 for Town Counsel Paul L. Kenny at \$22,220, a 7.5% increase over last year, retroactive to July 1, 1986, and to increase Town Counsel's hourly fee for litigation services from sixty dollars to sixty-five dollars, effective October 27, 1986.

And it was further on motion unanimously

VOTED: To set the fee to retain the firm of Paul L. Kenny to provide Assistant Town Counsel services for FY87 at \$20,068 (a 5% increase).

Record Warrant Signing/November 4th State Election

It was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To record the signing by the Board on October 23, 1986, of the Warrant for the November 4th State Election.

Sale of Alcoholic Beverages/State Election Day

It was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To allow the sale of alcoholic beverages by common victuallers and retail package goods stores during the polling hours of the State Election of November 4, 1986, in accordance with G.L. ch. 138, Section 33, as amended.

Minutes

It was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To approve the minutes of the regular session of October 20, 1986 as corrected.

Donation/Council On Aging

It was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To accept, on behalf of the Town, \$65.50 in miscellaneous donations to be deposited in the Council on Aging Van Donation Account, and authorize the Council on Aging to expend the same for purposes of operating and maintaining the Council on Aging van.

FY87 Tax Rate and Bill Mailing

The Board acknowledged receipt of a communication from Daniel A. Loughlin, Assistant Assessor, dated October 23, 1986, advising that the Board of Assessors have received a verbal certification of the fiscal 1987 tax rates from the Department of Revenue.

Also, tax bills, which are now at the Tax Collector's office, will be mailed by Friday, October 31.

Meeting With Finance Committee/Salary Adjustment Account

The Board acknowledged receipt of an October 23rd communication from Finance Committee Chairman Christopher F. Baum advising of a November 6 requested meeting to discuss Salary Adjustment Account actions. This date was agreeable with the Board members.

Town Forum/168th Session

At 8:00 p.m. Chairman Frost convened the 168th Session of the Town Forum, a copy of which is attached and made part of these minutes.

Public Officials/Blue Cross - Blue Shield

Following a brief discussion, it was on motion

VOTED: That the part-time, elected officials without regular working hours may participate in the health insurance programs of the Town pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 32B, Section 2, subsection d, provided that they pay for 100% of the cost thereof.

(Selectmen Frost and Wallace voted in the affirmative. Selectman Donald had left the room while this subject was discussed, as she had a personal interest in its resolution.)

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There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

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