

IN BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 29, 1988

Present: Chairman Anne W. Donald, David A. Wallace, John C. Drobinski.

Minutes

On motion of Selectman David A. Wallace, it was unanimously

VOTED: To approve the minutes of the regular and executive session of February 22, 1988, as presented.

Town Meeting Action

Executive Secretary Richard E. Thompson reported that he has been in contact with the State concerning inclusion of the landfill in an Enterprise Fund; and although he has not received official word, it is his belief that there will be no problem. For that reason, he and Town Accountant James Vanar feel it would be wise to withdraw the article concerning Landfill Upgrading from the Warrant for Town Meeting.

It was on motion of Selectman John C. Drobinski unanimously

VOTED: To approve withdrawal of Article 4a, Landfill Upgrading, from the Warrant for 1988 Town Meeting.

Executive Secretary Thompson reported that the Conservation Commission was concerned that it would not be adequately prepared for presentation at Town Meeting of its article concerning Growth Management; and it is the Commission's indication that this will be brought for presentation at the 1989 Annual Town Meeting.

It was therefore on motion of Selectman David A. Wallace unanimously

VOTED: To acknowledge withdrawal of Article 21, Growth Management Project, from the Warrant for 1988 Town Meeting by the Conservation Commission.

The Board commended Janet Silva for her diligence in preparing the 1988 Annual Town Meeting Warrant and April 4, 1988 Special Town Meeting Warrant, and noted that aside from editing errors to be corrected, the Warrants are in proper form.

It was on motion of Selectman Drobinski unanimously

VOTED: To sign 1988 Annual Town Meeting Warrant and April 4, 1988 Special Town Meeting Warrant. [Whereupon the Selectmen so affixed their signatures].

Sale of Liquor March 8-Presidential Primary and March 28-Annual Town Election

It was on motion of Chairman Anne W. Donald unanimously

VOTED: To allow the sale of alcoholic beverages by common victuallers and retail package stores during the polling hours of the Presidential Primary Election of March 8, 1988, and the Annual Town Election of March 28, 1988, in accordance with the amendment to G. L., c. 138, §33.

Council On Aging - Donations for Sudbury Walking Club

It was on motion of Chairman Donald unanimously

VOTED: To accept miscellaneous donations totalling \$750 from several local businesses, to be used by the Council On Aging for uniforms for the Sudbury Walking Club, and to authorize expenditure by the Council for the same.

Services For the Disabled

The Board reviewed communication from Mark A. Reich, representative of the Sudbury Association of disabled Citizens, dated February 17, 1988, relative to services for the disabled. Executive Secretary Thompson reminded the Board that the RIDE program sponsored by the MBTA will be implemented in the Fall of 1988. Until such implementation, the Town has been attempting to provide ridership for the two to four disabled persons in need of such services. Mr. Thompson recommended the Board authorize a transfer not to exceed \$3,000 and proceed to the Finance Committee for discussion. He explained that if the Finance Committee does not wish to take these monies from the Reserve Fund, then he would request a line item transfer from Unclassified to implement this. In conclusion, Mr. Thompson stated this amount is for winter use only, unless hardship is shown for use in the summer months.

It was on motion of Chairman Donald unanimously

VOTED: To authorize a transfer in the amount of \$3,000 from the Reserve Fund; and to direct the Executive Secretary to present such request to the Finance Committee for its approval; and further, if the Finance Committee agrees, to instead make a transfer within Unclassified Accounts to avoid a Reserve Fund transfer.

Middlesex County Charter Commission - Proposed County Charter

The Board acknowledged receipt of memorandum dated February 16, 1988, from Theodore D. Mann, Chairman of the Middlesex County Advisory Board, together with draft County Charter for Middlesex County. Chairman Donald reported that she was present at two meetings where this was discussed and she believes the Board should take a position. Chairman Donald stated that the most important point is that the County Advisory Board should retain authority over the finances. It is her feeling that this aspect of the proposed Charter may increase the cost of county government.

The Board agreed to review "Preliminary Draft, Proposed County Charter for Middlesex County, as approved by the Middlesex County Charter commission through January 21, 1988" and to place this on a future agenda so that the selectmen may comment and take a position relative thereto.

It being 8:05 p.m., Chairman Donald moved to adjourn the meeting to enable the public and the selectmen to attend the Sudbury Water District Meeting being held in Upper Town Hall. Chairman Donald stated that the meeting would reconvene no later than 9:30 p.m.

Joint Meeting with Conservation Commission Re: Annual Town Meeting Articles

The joint meeting with the Conservation Commission to discuss Annual Town Meeting articles was tabled to March 21, 1988.

Annual Town Meeting Finances

After discussion, it was on motion of Selectman Wallace unanimously

VOTED: To support memorandum dated February 26, 1988, from Executive Secretary Thompson, recommending restoration of budget items cut by the Finance Committee as monies become available; except that Item "f" on page 2 of said memorandum, "Unclassified--Hydrant Rental", shall be deleted.

The Board reviewed Cherry Sheet analysis dated February 25, 1988 prepared by Town Accountant James Vanar. Executive Secretary Thompson pointed out that the Town received \$121,000 and it had been estimated that the amount would be \$100,000. However, the surplus \$21,000 was used by the Finance Committee to offset the equipment purchased for the Highway Department.

Supervisory Association Salaries for FY88

Discussion of letters dated February 8, 1988, from the Finance Committee to the board and to Town Counsel relative to payment of certain Supervisory Association salaries for FY88 was tabled to March 7, 1988, because town Counsel was not able to attend this evening's meeting.

Draft Article Concerning the Consent Calendar for 88ATM

Chairman Donald asked for comments on her draft article explaining inclusion of articles on the Consent Calendar for the 1988 Annual Town Meeting. Mrs. Donald pointed out that two of the articles included in the Consent Calendar require Planning Board reports before they go to press.

Fire Department - Donation

Upon review of memorandum dated February 26, 1988, from Fire Chief Michael Dunne, it was on motion of Chairman Donald unanimously

VOTED: To accept a \$100 donation from James A. Punch Associates, 7 Concord Road, for use by the Fire Department; and to authorize its deposit into the Ambulance Donation Account.

Executive Session

At 9:45 p.m., it was on motion by roll call unanimously

VOTED: To go into Executive Session to discuss a matter involving property negotiations.

(Chairman Donald, aye; Selectman Wallace, aye; Selectman Drobinski, aye.)

The Chairman announced that public session would not reconvene following Executive Session.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 11:15 p.m.

Attest:

Richard E. Thompson
Executive Secretary-Clerk