

BOARD OF SUDBURY SELECTMEN
EXECUTIVE SESSION
THURSDAY, MARCH 29, 2012
8:05 A.M – 9:00 A.M.

Present: Chairman Lawrence W. O'Brien, Vice-Chairman Robert C. Haarde, Selectman John C. Drobinski, Town Manager Maureen Valente, Assistant Town Manager/HR Director Maryanne Bilodeau. Also present were members of the SPS School Committee: Jeff Beeler, Susan Iuliano, Lisa Gutch, Rich Robison, and newly-elected members: Bob Armour and Lucie St. George

The statutory requirements as to notice having been complied with, the meeting was convened at 8:05 a.m. in the Thompson Conference Room, Flynn Building, 278 Old Sudbury Rd.

Opening Remarks

Chairman O'Brien opened the meeting at 8:05 a.m. and announced the close of the regular meeting and it was on roll call unanimously voted. Chairman O'Brien announced regular session would reconvene following Executive Session.

VOTED: At 8:05 a.m. Chairman O'Brien moved to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing collective bargaining matters wherein strategy discussion with respect to collective bargaining in an open session may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the public body. Vice Chairman Haarde seconded the motion. Chairman Lawrence W. O'Brien, aye, Vice Chairman Robert C. Haarde, aye and Selectman John C. Drobinski, aye.

Implementation of GIC (Group Insurance Commission)

Chairman O'Brien gave background information as to the process of adopting and implementing MGL 32B section 21 and transferring all of our subscribers to the GIC (Group Insurance Commission).

Jeff Beeler asked why the Town did not discuss contribution rate during the process. Asst. Town Manager Maryanne Bilodeau explained that contribution rate was discussed during the informal process. However, after meeting informally on three occasions during the month of December, the Insurance Advisory Committee (IAC) and Unions representatives shared that they had talked as a group; and they decided that it was best to move forward with the formal process. In the formal process, we could not discuss contribution rate. That could only be discussed in Collective Bargaining. It was raised by the Public Employees Committee (PEC) during the 30-day negotiation period with the PEC; however, we explained that we could not talk about the contribution rate during this formal process and that we had brought them up during the informal sessions.

Mr. Beeler asked if they could get copies of information that was shared with the PEC. Mr. Beeler also asked for the amounts for the Rate Holiday, and what the 10% difference dollar amount was from the 25% to 35% mitigation amount agreed to in the PEC Agreement. Ms. Bilodeau distributed copies of the PEC agreement with the attachments. She said she would be happy to send him the other information.

There was further discussion about contribution rates and other alternatives that might be available.

The topic of the Health Insurance Trust Fund came up; and because of time constraints, the group decided to meet at another time.

Pantry Brook Farm

REDACTION MADE IN COMPLIANCE WITH OPEN MEETING LAW EXEMPTION D.

15 Hudson Road

Ms. Kablack updated the Board on the final price proposals for this project. Price estimates for tearing down the structure and asbestos abatement of the furnace at 15 Hudson Road have been received. The asbestos abatement is estimated to cost approximately \$6,000, and the demolition cost is estimated to cost \$15,000. With the agreed upon purchase price of \$275,000, this will bring the CPC article to \$296,000. Previously the Board had agreed to forgive back real estate taxes totaling approximately \$14,000.

A motion was made, seconded, and it was voted unanimously to direct the Director of Planning and Community Development to proceed to Town Meeting with a price not to exceed \$320,000 for the purchase and restoration of the property at 15 Hudson Road. Additional estimates for the anticipated work will be sought.

Regular Session

At 9:00 a.m., Chairman O'Brien announced the close of the Executive Session meeting and it was on roll call unanimously and it was on motion

VOTED: To go back into Regular Session for discussion of the H.3435 Special Act. Vice Chairman Haarde seconded the motion. Chairman Lawrence W. O'Brien, aye, Vice Chairman Robert C. Haarde, aye and Selectman John C. Drobinski, aye.

Attest: _____
Maureen G. Valente
Town Manager – Clerk