

SUDBURY BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING
MONDAY, MAY 5, 2014

Present: Chairman John C. Drobinski, Selectman Robert C. Haarde (arrived 7:00 p.m.), Selectman Lawrence W. O'Brien, Selectman Leonard A. Simon, Vice-Chairman Charles C. Woodard, Town Manager Maureen G. Valente, and James Kelley, Combined Facilities Director.

The statutory requirements as to notice having been complied with, the meeting was convened at 6:30 p.m. in the Lincoln-Sudbury Regional High School 390 Lincoln Road, Conference Room A. This meeting was held prior to Annual Town Meeting.

At 6:30 p.m. Chairman Drobinski motioned to open the meeting.

VOTED: It was on motion unanimously, 4-0.

Town Manager Valente explained one change to Article 2 Budget Adjustments which involves moving \$40,000 out of the Fire Department going back to Ambulance Receipts Reserve. There was discussion on a possible motion to update this article, with an addition of \$40,000.

Chairman Drobinski motioned to vote on this Article supporting this change

VOTED: It was on motion unanimously, 4-0.

Town Manager Valente moved on to talk about Article 3, Stabilization Fund, and Chairman Drobinski will make the presentation.

Chairman Drobinski motioned to vote on this item, move to indefinitely postpone (IP) this article.

VOTED: It was on motion unanimously, 4-0.

Town Manager Valente spoke on Article 4. Explained that what was heard from Chief Scott Nix was that the motion to be made is the one that it is on the slide. Limited Motion might be made and that it is set at a maximum amount that the Budget can be raise to, that amount is \$290,000 higher than what it is printed on Warrant. Also, encouraged the Board to not accept suggestions to move money from funds. Explaining how money moved from General Government works. Vice-Chairman Woodard asked who will explain this portion at the meeting. Selectman O'Brien agreed to explain the answer. Vice-Chairman Woodard will make motion to amend.

There was discussion about the use of Free Cash as a funding source. Selectman O'Brien is opposed to the use of Free Cash. Chairman Drobinski philosophically agrees with use of Free Cash and states support of budget amendments. Selectman O'Brien agrees.

Selectman O'Brien motioned to support budget with both amendments

VOTED: It was on motion unanimously, 4-0.

Town Manager Valente spoke on Article 14. Chief Scott Nix explained about Construction of Police Headquarters Budget, supports \$7.2 Million sum, requesting the Hall to approve it, or to have a Special Town Meeting to approve \$7.9 Million sum. Selectman O'Brien stated that the Finance Committee just voted to support the \$7.2 Million sum.

At 7:00 PM Selectman Haarde arrived, stating his meeting agenda had 7:00 p.m. as the meeting starting time and not 6:30 pm. There was some discussion about this point, and all remaining Selectmen disagreed stating that they all

received an agenda from Ms. Golden with a 6:30 p.m. start time.

Selectman O'Brien explains the details about Police Headquarters bid of \$7.2 Million and now coming in with an excess.

Vice-Chairman Woodard asked what would it happen if the figure comes to more than \$7.2 Million.

Selectman O'Brien states that contracts could not be signed, and that a Special Town Meeting will be needed. He is hopeful that the sum will be no more than \$7.2 Million.

Police Chief Scott Nix states that his presentation will explain both numbers, and he wants to be respectful of the original Town vote.

Selectman O'Brien shared that the Finance Committee is in support of the \$7.2 Million number.

Selectman Haarde asked if the Board has voted on the \$7.9 Sum. Board members answered no, that this Sum was only the subject of discussion.

Selectman Haarde states that if the Board of Selectmen supported \$7.2, it will support \$7.9.

Selectman O'Brien motioned to support Article 14 in the sum of \$7.2 Million.

VOTED: It was on motion unanimously, 5-0.

Town Manager Valente moved on next to discuss Article 17, Technology Infrastructure Improvements L-S High School. To move to appropriate the sum of \$620,000 to be expended under the direction of the Lincoln-Sudbury Regional District's School Committee.

Selectmen Woodard motioned to vote in favor of this article.

VOTED: It was on motion unanimously, 5-0.

Town Manager Valente moved on to discuss Article 21, Fairbank Community Center Roof Project. Move to appropriate the sum of \$100,000 to be expended for the purpose of making repairs to the selected portions of the flat roof areas.

Selectman O'Brien motioned to approved transfer of \$100,000 detailed in Article 21, Fairbank Community Center Roof Project.

VOTED: It was on motion unanimously, 5-0.

Town Manager Valente continued to Article 22, Energy Services Company, Energy Improvement Program. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the amount of \$1,093,073 for the purpose of energy conservation and energy related improvements to public buildings owned by the Town.

Chairman Drobinski motioned to support this article.

VOTED: It was on motion unanimously, 5-0.

Town Manager Valente moved on to Article 23 Nixon School-Partial Roof, Window and Door Replacements, move

to indefinitely postpone.

Selectman O'Brien motioned to Indefinitely Postpone (IP) Article 23.

VOTED: It was on motion unanimously, 5-0.

Town Manager Valente moved on to talk about Article 24, DPW Rolling Stock Stabilization Fund. Move to appropriate the sum of \$1,000 to be placed in a special Stabilization Fund established under this article for the purpose of replacing or adding to existing DPW rolling stock equipment.

Town Manager Valente reminded the Board that a motion is needed to pass Article 25, Energy Saving Programs Stabilization Fund. James Kelly explains the SPS Committee position on \$20,000.

Chairman Drobinski motioned to vote in support of Article 25.

VOTED: It was on motion unanimously, 5-0.

Town Manager Valente moved on to Article 26, Conduct Engineering and Zoning studies for Route 20 sewer project.

She explains there is a need to Indefinitely Postpone (IP) this article, because we are not ready to identify the dollar amount or where the project is going next.

Chairman Drobinski motioned to Indefinitely Postpone (IP) Article 26.

VOTED: It was on motion unanimously, 5-0.

Town Manager Valente moved on to Article 27, Amendments to the District Agreement of the Minuteman Regional Vocational School District. Ms. Valente is not sure if the Board has made a decision, or if we need to postpone. Vice-Chairman Woodard stated that they are not prepared.

Selectman Haarde explains that the options are to vote this down or Indefinitely Postpone (IP), and have a Special Town Meeting with two options--one to approve it, and one to exit. The Needham resolution is not a guarantee; now is the year to get out of agreement. We should approve new agreement and vote to get out at the same time.

Selectman O'Brien stated that if this article is voted down at Town Meeting, then it will need to be an article at a Special Town Meeting.

Selectman Haarde explained how the 16-member towns work. Vice-Chairman Woodard shared that the town of Wayland said "no."

Selectman Haarde stated that the cost of transportation will also need to be discussed. Selectman Simon stated that there will be options for transportation.

Town Manager Valente stated that every town needs to vote that indefinitely postponing (IP) will be the best option.

Selectman O'Brien motioned to support Indefinite Postponing (IP) the Amendment.

VOTED: It was on motion unanimously, 5-0.

Town Manager Valente pointed out on Article 42, Lafayette Drive-Land Sale to abutter, and the Board needs to start thinking about this, as it's a two-step process.

Selectmen O'Brien motioned to oppose the release of this land.

VOTED: It was on motion unanimously, 5-0.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.