

## SUDBURY BOARD OF SELECTMEN

WEDNESDAY MAY 7, 2014

Present: Chairman John C. Drobinski, Selectman Robert C. Haarde, Selectman Lawrence W. O'Brien, Selectman Leonard A. Simon, Vice-Chairman Charles C. Woodard and Town Manager Maureen G. Valente; also resident John Baranowski, Debbie Dineen, Conservation Coordinator, and Jody Kablack, Planning Director.

The statutory requirements as to notice having been complied with, the meeting was convened at 6:00 p.m. in the Lincoln-Sudbury Regional High School 390 Lincoln Road, Superintendent's Conference Room. This meeting was held prior to Annual Town Meeting at 7:30 p.m.

At 6:00 p.m., Chairman Drobinski called the meeting to order.

The first item is to discuss the Board of Selectmen's statements on Johnson Farm litigation and the letter to the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) requesting them to reverse their decision. Discussion noted that the letter needs to be addressed to the Hearing Officer, copying Eric Worall, as well as copies to legislators Eldridge, Conroy and Barrett.

The Board discussed the plan showing footprint of design.

Ms. Kablack shared that the Board could discuss engaging special counsel for Johnson Farm possibly at the 5/20/14 meeting.

Member O'Brien made a motion to approve the revised draft of letter to DEP re: Johnson Farm with change of person as hearing officer, copy Eric Worall, and copies to legislators. This was seconded, and passed unanimously, 5-0

Town Manager Valente opened the discussion of the Town Meeting petition article #42 – Lafayette Drive – Land Sale to Abutter. The Board had a robust discussion on this article. Town Manager Valente reminded the Board that this is a non-binding resolution.

A motion was made to support this article #42. It was defeated unanimously, 0-5.

Ms. Kablack opened the discussion on petition Article #43 – Resolution – Adopt Chapter 61 Lands Policy. She suggested there should be a public hearing. There was robust discussion on this article. All agreed this was very complex, and a public hearing would be a good idea.

A motion was made to oppose Article #43 in its entirety. Propose that Board should agree to early public hearing – new policy on 61A. A motion was made to take no position on this article; it passed unanimously 5-0.

Discussion on Board's position on Article #46 – Amend Wetlands Administration Bylaw: Projects Funded with CPC Funds. Member Simon opined that we not support this article due to potential conflicting bylaws. He read a statement outlining this decision.

Vice-Chair Woodard motioned to support Article #6; The vote was 4-1 not to support the article.

Article #47 – Amend Town Bylaws, Art. IV, Finance Committee, Section 5 – Expanded Reporting. This was voted 4-1 not to support this article.

Member Simon mentioned Article #32 – CPC – Bruce Freeman Rail Trail Design. He heard that the Conservation Commission would make presentation tonight, and didn't think this was appropriate for ConComm to take a position.

Debbie Dineen, Conservation Coordinator, joined the meeting at 7:10 PM and shared that ConCom voted on 4/28 to fund the design study, not to support the article to expend funds to do design to Mass DOT standards.

Discussion continued on this topic. They can't prejudice themselves on this; can't say the wrong thing; maybe make decision not to speak at ATM.

Town Manager Valente noted the time and reminded the Board they need to move on.

The meeting adjourned at 7:20 PM. (ATM begins 7:30 PM in auditorium)