

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

* MINUTES *

April 15, 2008

8:10 p.m. A meeting of the Board of Selectmen was convened by Vice Chairman Daniel Matthews at 8:10 p.m. at the Pollard Media Center. Present were Mr. John Bulian, Mr. Jerry Wasserman, Ms. Denise Garlick, Assistant Town Manager Christopher Coleman, Assistant Town Manager David Davison, and Town Manager Kate Fitzpatrick.

6:45 p.m. **Warrant Articles**

Article 3 – Definition of Structure

Motion: Mr. Bulian moved that the Board recommend adoption of Article 3. Mr. Wasserman seconded the motion. Unanimous: 4-0.

Article 4 – Parking Fund

Mr. Matthews noted that the Planning Board had opted not to amend the language of the home rule petition suggested by the Board and had therefore submitted the article on its own. The sense of the Board was to ask the Chair and Vice Chair to discuss the matter with the Chair of the Planning Board to seek a resolution. Vote on this article was deferred.

Article 5 – Citizens' Petition/Zoning (Cox)

Mr. Bulian noted that he understood that the petition would be withdrawn. He suggested that the Board take a position in case that does not happen.

Motion: Mr. Bulian moved that the Board recommend that Article 5 not be adopted. Mr. Wasserman seconded the motion. The Motion carried 3 – 0 – 1 with Ms. Garlick abstaining.

Article 6 – Citizens' Petition/Zoning (Barker)

Motion: Mr. Wasserman moved that the Board recommend adoption of Article 6. Mr. Bulian seconded the motion. Unanimous: 4-0.

Article 7 – Elected Officials Salaries

Motion: Mr. Bulian moved that the Board recommend adoption of Article 7. Mr. Wasserman seconded the motion. Unanimous: 4-0.

Article 8 – Fund Collective Bargaining Agreement

Motion: Mr. Bulian moved that the Board withdraw Article 8. Mr. Wasserman seconded the motion. Unanimous: 4-0.

Article 9 – Property Tax Deferral

The Board discussed the tax deferral program, reasons for lowering the interest rate, the appropriate interest rate, the concept of establishing an index, and the possible impact of the program on the operating budget. The Board asked Mr. Davison to provide some participation, eligibility, and cost data, as well as experience in other communities. Vote on this article was deferred.

Article 10 – Private Ways

Motion: Mr. Wasserman moved that the Board recommend adoption of Article 10. Mr. Bulian seconded the motion. Unanimous: 4-0.

Article 11 – Technology Advisory Board

Motion: Mr. Bulian moved that the Board recommend adoption of Article 11. Mr. Wasserman seconded the motion. Unanimous: 4-0.

Article 12 – Golf Course Lease

Motion: Ms. Garlick moved that the Board recommend adoption of Article 12; provided that if the Town does not have a bid in hand by Town meeting that the recommendation will be reconsidered. Mr. Bulian seconded the motion. Unanimous: 4-0.

Article 13 – Free Cash

Motion: Mr. Bulian moved that the Board recommend adoption of Article 13. Mr. Wasserman seconded the motion. Unanimous: 4-0.

Article 14 – Property Tax Exemptions

Motion: Mr. Bulian moved that the Board recommend adoption of Article 14. Mr. Wasserman seconded the motion. Unanimous: 4-0.

Article 15 – Senior Corps

Motion: Mr. Bulian moved that the Board recommend adoption of Article 15. Mr. Wasserman seconded the motion. Unanimous: 4-0.

Article 16 – Compensated Absences

Motion: Mr. Wasserman moved that the Board recommend adoption of Article 16. Mr. Bulian seconded the motion. Unanimous: 4-0.

Article 17 – Operating Budget

Motion: Mr. Bulian moved that the Board recommend adoption of Article 17. Mr. Wasserman seconded the motion. Unanimous: 4-0.

Article 18 – RTS Enterprise Fund Budget

Motion: Mr. Bulian moved that the Board recommend adoption of Article 18. Mr. Wasserman seconded the motion. Unanimous: 4-0.

Article 19 – Sewer Enterprise Fund Budget

Motion: Mr. Wasserman moved that the Board recommend adoption of Article 19. Mr. Bulian seconded the motion. Unanimous: 4-0.

Article 20 – Water Enterprise Fund Budget

Motion: Mr. Wasserman moved that the Board recommend adoption of Article 20. Mr. Bulian seconded the motion. Unanimous: 4-0.

Article 21 – Unpaid Bills

Motion: Mr. Bulian moved that the Board recommend adoption of Article 18. Mr. Wasserman seconded the motion. Unanimous: 4-0.

Article 22 – Revolving Funds

Mr. Wasserman moved that the Board recommend postponement of Article 22 until after the Special Town Meeting, and that if the revolving fund is approved under the Special Town Meeting the Board will recommend that the first revolving fund/School busing be deleted. Mr. Bulian seconded the motion. Unanimous: 4-0.

Article 23 – Chapter 90

Motion: Mr. Wasserman moved that the Board recommend adoption of Article 20. Mr. Bulian seconded the motion. Unanimous: 4-0.

Article 24 – Citizens Petition/Town Hall

The Board deferred action on this Article.

Article 25 – CPA/Town Hall

The Board deferred action on this Article.

Article 26 – CPA/Land Purchase

Mr. Bulian moved that the Board recommend that the CPC withdraw this Article and further that if the Article is not withdrawn that the Board recommend that the Article be referred to the Board of Selectmen. The motion was seconded by Mr. Wasserman. Unanimous: 4-0.

Article 27 – High Rock Homes

Mr. Bulian moved that the Board recommend that the CPC withdraw this Article and further that if the Article is not withdrawn that the Board recommend that the Article be referred to the Board of Selectmen. The motion was seconded by Mr. Wasserman. Unanimous: 4-0.

Article 28 – CPA/Trails

The Board deferred action on this Article,

Article 29 –CPA Open Space

The Board deferred action on this Article.

Article 30 – CPA Budget

The Board deferred action on this Article

Article 31 – Rescind Debt

Motion: Mr. Bulian moved that the Board recommend adoption of Article 31. Mr. Wasserman seconded the motion. Unanimous: 4-0.

Article 32 – Cash Capital

Mr. Bulian moved that the Board recommend adoption of Article 32 including amendments proposed by the Finance Committee and recommended by the Town Manager. Mr. Wasserman seconded the motion. Unanimous: 4-0.

Article 33 – Public Services Administration Building

The Board deferred action on this Article.

Article 34 – Roads

Motion: Mr. Wasserman moved that the Board recommend adoption of Article 34. Mr. Bulian seconded the motion. Unanimous: 4-0.

Article 35 – Cricket

The Board deferred action on this Article.

Article 36 – Public Safety Roof

Motion: Mr. Bulian moved that the Board recommend adoption of Article 36. Mr. Wasserman seconded the motion. Unanimous: 4-0.

Article 37 – Ambulance

Motion: Mr. Bulian moved that the Board recommend adoption of Article 37. Mr. Wasserman seconded the motion. Unanimous: 4-0.

Article 38 – Hillside/Mitchell Paving

Motion: Mr. Bulian moved that the Board recommend adoption of Article 38. Mr. Wasserman seconded the motion. Unanimous: 4-0.

Article 39 – Parking Meters

Motion: Mr. Wasserman moved that the Board recommend adoption of Article 39. Mr. Bulian seconded the motion. Unanimous: 4-0.

Article 40 – Pollard Parking

The board deferred action on this Article.

Article 41 –Municipal Parking Lot Improvements

Motion: Mr. Bulian moved that the Board recommend adoption of Article 41. Mr. Wasserman seconded the motion. Unanimous: 4-0.

Article 42 – Street and Traffic Light Improvements

Motion: Mr. Bulian moved that the Board recommend adoption of Article 41. Mr. Wasserman seconded the motion. Unanimous: 4-0.

Article 43 –RTS Cash Capital

Motion: Mr. Bulian moved that the Board recommend adoption of Article 43. Mr. Wasserman seconded the motion. Unanimous: 4-0

Article 44 – RTS Collector Packer

Motion: Mr. Bulian moved that the Board recommend adoption of Article 44. Mr. Wasserman seconded the motion. Unanimous: 4-0

Article 45 – Wastewater Pump Station

Motion: Mr. Bulian moved that the Board recommend adoption of Article 45. Mr. Wasserman seconded the motion. Unanimous: 4-0.

Article 46 – Water Cash Capital

Motion: Mr. Bulian moved that the Board recommend adoption of Article 46. Mr. Wasserman seconded the motion. Unanimous: 4-0

Article 47 – Water Main Improvements

Motion: Mr. Bulian moved that the Board recommend adoption of Article 41. Mr. Wasserman seconded the motion. Unanimous: 4-0

Article 48 – Water Tank

Motion: Mr. Bulian moved that the Board recommend adoption of Article 41. Mr. Wasserman seconded the motion. Unanimous: 4-0

Article 49 – Stabilization Fund

Motion: Mr. Wasserman moved that the Board recommend adoption of Article 49 in the amount of \$26,041. Mr. Bulian seconded the motion. Unanimous: 4-0.

Article 50 – Capital Improvement Fund

Motion: Mr. Wasserman moved that the Board recommend adoption of Article 50 in the amount of \$200,000. Mr. Bulian seconded the motion. Unanimous: 4-0.

Article 51 – Capital Facility Fund

Motion: Mr. Wasserman moved that the Board recommend adoption of Article 51 in the amount of \$600,000. Mr. Bulian seconded the motion. Unanimous: 4-0.

Article 52 –Continue Town Meeting Study Committee

Motion: Mr. Bulian moved that the Board recommend adoption of Article 52. Mr. Wasserman seconded the motion. Unanimous: 4-0

The Board discussed the Special Town Meeting Warrant but deferred action on all articles.

10:00 p.m. **Facility Financing**

Mr. Davison provided the Board with a summary of the revised proposal for funding the Town Hall in the context of an updated facility financing plan.

10:30 p.m. **Motion: Mr. Wasserman moved that the meeting be adjourned. Mr. Bulian seconded the motion. Unanimous: 5-0.**