



Board of Selectmen
Town Hall Hearing Room
September 29, 2009
Open Session Minutes

The open session of the Board of Selectmen was called to order at approx. 6:01 p.m. by Chair Jim Hoben in Mattacheese Middle School band room. In attendance were Selectmen Suzanne McAuliffe, Jerry Sullivan, Bud Groskopf, Erik Tolley and Town Administrator Robert Lawton.

Item #1

It was moved by Mr. Tolley, seconded by Mr. Groskopf that the Board of Selectmen go into Executive Session under Chapter 30§23B-3 to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining and return to open session. It was unanimously voted Mr. Hoben – yes, Ms. McAuliffe – yes, Mr. Tolley – yes, Mr. Groskopf – yes, Mr. Sullivan – yes. Open session adjourned 6:02pm.

Chairman Hoben reconvened the Open Session of the Board of Selectmen at approximately 6:15pm.

Other Discussion Items

1. Mr. Lawton distributed a note from a telephone call from William Moran asking for time on the October 6th Agenda to discuss Golf construction issues. Mr. Lawton stated that with items on the agenda he would have to be placed at approx. 8:45 after the interviews for DY school. The Board agreed to allow approx. 15 minutes on the agenda.
2. Robert Isadore asked that he be allowed to have a voter registration table on Town property near Town Hall during the time of the Seaside Festival. The Board of Selectmen agreed to the request as long as the people doing the voter registration coordinated with the Town Clerks' office and that the table and the people were totally non-partisan with no buttons or identifying signs as to whether or not the person was a Republican or Democrat or Independent.
3. Mr. Lawton stated that the Town had received a notice from Ms. Stefanie Coxe, aide to Rep. Cleon Turner, stating that the House Committee on Global Warming and Climate Change was having a public hearing at the Yarmouth Senior Center starting at 10:30 on October 2nd. She had asked if any members of the Board of Selectmen or Town Staff were going to attend and/or speak. The Board of Selectmen did not indicate that they were going to be able to attend. Mr. Lawton reported that he did not believe that any Town employees were going to be able to speak on the issue.
4. Bud Breault, Airport Manager, had responded to the invitation to meet with the Board of Selectmen. He offered a series of dates and based on the Selectmen's schedule the convenient dates would be October 27th or November 5th. The Board asked that Mr. Lawton communicate with Mr. Breault that October 27 would be preferable.
5. Superintendent Presentation – Mr. Lawton reported that October 6th was not a good date for the Superintendent as she believes that it would be awkward for her to be making a presentation either before or after the Board interviewed candidates for the school committee position. She stated that October 27th is a date she will be out of Town at a training seminar. Mr. Lawton asked if October 20th would be convenient for the Board. The Board agreed that the October 20th meeting would be an appropriate date and asked Mr. Lawton to communicate that to the Superintendent for presentation regarding the Stimulus package.

6. Mr. Lawton updated the Board on two hearings in Boston on bills which the Town had filed. The issue relating to the regulation of elections in Yarmouth will be heard before the Joint Committee on Election Laws on October 14th at 1pm and the Charter revision will be heard by the Committee on Municipalities and Regional Government on October 6th at 10am in Boston.

MOTION: To move that the Board of Selectmen to adjourn/suspend open session at 6:30pm and attend the Special Town Meeting.
Motion by: Suzanne McAuliffe Seconded by: Erik Tolley Yea 5 Nay 0