

Selectmen's Minutes

June 19, 2001

7:30 P.M.

Present: Peter Ashton, William Shupert, F. Dore' Hunter, Walter Foster, Town Manager and his Assistant. The meeting was televised

CITIZEN'S CONCERNS

None

PUBLIC HEARINGS & APPOINTMENTS

WAY AUTO SALES CLASS II – 796 MAIN STREET – TREY SHUPERT – Moved to approve the Class II License with the condition that Mr. Redmond surrender his current license and back personal property taxes owed by J&B Auto are paid. PETER ASHTON – Second. UNANIMOUS VOTE

KEY SPAN -PIPER ROAD LAY NEW GAS MAIN – DORE' HUNTER – Moved to approve the installation of 285 feet of gas main on Piper Road. TREY SHUPERT – Second. UNANIMOUS VOTE.

JULIE'S PLACE – SITE PLAN SPECIAL PERMIT – 208A MAIN STREET – TREY SHUPERT – Moved to approve. DORE' HUNTER- Second. UNANIMOUS VOTE.

JULIE'S PLACE – COMMON VICTULLER'S LICENSE CONTINUED FROM MAY 22, 2001. DORE' HUNTER – Moved to approve with the condition that the Fire Alarm issue in the Fire Chief's Memo is resolved. TREY SHUPERT – Second. UNANIMOUS VOTE.

SITE PLAN #04/13/01-376, 9-13 RAILROAD STREET – As Selectman assigned, Trey Shupert spoke about the Site Plan. Mr. Cullin – 2 Central Street – asked several questions and felt that it would be a good addition to the South Acton area. Betty McManus asked if there were any way that we could keep rental units for the LIP Program. TREY SHUPERT – Moved to close the hearing and to take under advisement. DORE' HUNTER – Second. UNANIMOUS VOTE

RECREATION COMMISSION OVERSIGHT MEETING- Laura Sikalis and Greg Catalano gave an overview of the activities during the past year. They asked for help to let citizens know that operations are funded by user fees. They want to continue to operate with User fees. They are concerned about the athletic field space. They anticipate a crunch for fields. They are pleased that the Rail Trail is to become a reality. They are involved in the revision of the Open Space and Recreation Plan originally written 5 years ago. They will also hope to work with the Skate Park proponents. Acton Day will be held on Sept 22 and hope to keep it self-funded. Walter asked about a check box on the tax bills to defrayed costs for those who cannot afford the full cost. Dore' suggested we contact the State to see if we can get additional fields.

TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE OVERSIGHT MEETING - Art Wu, Sam Lawton and Rene Robbins were present. Art Wu outlined the issues and activities they are participating in. The Board urged them to interact with the Schools and to contact Lees Stuntz and William Ryan regarding traffic calming.

Dore' spoke at length regarding CAC issues. He is not happy with any of the alternatives that have been presented. It was hoped TAC could look at it before the next CAC in September. The Board asked that they come back at the July 17th meeting at 8:15 to discuss this.

ACTON COMMUNITY HOUSING CORPORATION – REUSE OF THE TOWNE SCHOOL –Nancy Tavernier outlined what the Mass Housing would offer in the project. They offer staff time for a feasibility study, the technical assistance is worth \$10,000 at no cost to the Town. We would provide them any existing studies we have prepared and any other reports pertaining to the school would also be given to them. The concept is not final. They would support the Comp Permit with 25 % affordable and use local priority. They think it would provide a residential component and may revitalize this area of Town. There are a lot of things that need to be started on. They asked for a Board commitment and understood the Board would not be able to give an answer tonight but hoped it would be soon. They were urged to contact HDC and HC as well as the school department.

Don updated the activities since town meeting.

SELECTMEN'S BUSINESS

COMMITTEE RE-APPOINTMENTS - Peter asked that the Commission on Disability be removed since it was a Manager appointment. Dore spoke about HDC members Forbes and Peterman and that they are still serving by need. Dore' felt we should wait to appoint them until we are able to find possible candidates to replace them. **DORE' HUNTER** – Moved to continue members Peterman and Forbes serving by need, and to appoint those committee members as outlined in the Reappointment Memorandum. **TREY SHUPERT** – Second. UNANIMOUS VOTE.

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT - **TREY SHUPERT**- Moved to appoint William Lawrence as the Chamber's Representative to EDC. **DORE' HUNTER** – Second. UNANIMOUS VOTE

SUDSBURY VALLEY TRUSTEES -They want a letter of support for monies up to \$45,000. Peter will sign

SEWER FEES- Dore' outlined the procedure to license drain layers. **DORE' HUNTER** - Moved to adopt MFPSD license for drain layers and permits and fees as outlined in the proposed regulations. **TREY SHUPERT**- second. UNANIMOUS VOTE.

OTHER BUSINESS

Dore' about the public comment the union members are making. He wanted to suggest that he would like to have same ability to respond to public statements on behalf

of the Board. We are gagged and it seems they are not. DORE' HUNTER - Moved Adopt policy to direct our negotiator not to enter into an agreement that would preclude any fair and public comment by the Board of Selectmen. No second. The Board has asked to have this delayed until September

Dore' spoke about Town Manager's review form that he has developed. It will be discussed on the 17th.

CONSENT AGENDA

TREY SHUPERT - Moved to approve the Consent Agenda with the exception of the minutes of May 22 for two corrections. DORE' HUNTER – Second. UNANIMOUS VOTE

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

Audit and Management Letter – Don commented it is notably short and he is quite pleased with it and that the item of concern was corrected before the report came out.

Don discussed the Skate park and the possibility that the State is progressing and it looks real good.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

TREY SHUPERT – Moved to go into Executive Session to discuss Police deployment, PETER ASHTON – Second. The Board will only return to open session to adjourn. Roll Call taken by the Clerk, All Ayes.

Christine Joyce
Recording Clerk

Pamela Hartung Bandt

Clerk

8-14-01
Date

June 15, 2001

TO: Board of Selectmen
FROM: Peter Ashton, Chairman
SUBJECT: Selectmen's Report

June 19, 2001

I. CITIZEN'S CONCERNS

II. PUBLIC HEARINGS & APPOINTMENTS

- 1. 7:32 CLASS II LICENSE – 796 MAIN STREET – WAY AUTO SALES**
- 2. 7:34 KEY SPAN – Piper Road – Enclosed please find a request to lay gas main on Piper Road, along with staff comment for Board review**
- 3. 7:35 JULIE'S SPECIAL PERMIT – 208A MAIN STREET – Enclosed please find materials in the subject regard.**
- 4. 7:40 JULIE'S PLACE –COMMON VICTULLER'S LICENSE AT 298A MAIN STREET**
Enclosed please find application and staff comment.
- 5. 7:45 SITE PLAN #04/13/01-376 - 9-13 RAILROAD STREET – Enclosed please find Materials in the subject regard.**
- 6. 8:00 RECREATION OVERSIGHT MEETING - Members of the Commission will be present for this meeting.**
- 7. 8:15 TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE OVERSIGHT MEETING –**
Members of the committee will be present for this meeting.
- 8. 8:45 ACTON COMMUNITY HOUSING CORPORATION - Members will be present to discuss the reuse of the Towne School.**

III. SELECTMEN'S BUSINESS

- 9. COMMITTEE RE-APPOINTMENTS – Enclosed please find a reappointment list of members of Boards and Committees for Board action.**
- 10. COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT – Enclosed please find a request to appoint William Lawrence as the Chamber's representative to fill Joan Meyer's vacancy on EDC for Board action.**
- 11. SUDBURY VALLEY TRUSTEES – Enclosed please find a request for a letter of support for Board consideration.**
- 12. SEWER FEES – Enclosed please find two (2) fee schedules that have been recommended by AWAC for Board approval.**

13. OTHER BUSINESS

IV CONSENT AGENDA

14. ACCEPT MINUTES – Enclosed please find Minutes of May 22, 2001 for Board acceptance.

15. ACCEPT GIFT – Enclosed please find two requests from the West Acton Library to accept a gift in memory of Phyllis Span and for Tot Time Funding.

16. ACCEPT GIFT – Enclosed please find a request from the Police Chief to accept a donation from Berlin Auto for use in the DARE Program for Board action.

17. USE OF TOWN COMMON – Enclosed please find a request from the Acton Women's Club for the use of the Town Common on August 19, 2001 for a concert, for Board action.

V. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

VI EXECUTIVE SESSION

An Executive Session will be required. Please see enclosed materials

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Enclosed please find additional correspondence that is strictly informational and requires no Board action.

FUTURE AGENDAS

To facilitate scheduling for interested parties, the following items are scheduled for discussion on future agendas. This IS NOT a complete Agenda.

July 17

August 14

Sept. 11 & 25

GOALS 2001-2002

1. Resolution of on-going Labor Negotiations (Peter/Trey)
2. Improve Communication with Town Boards (Peter)
3. Towne Building Reuse (Walter/Dore')
4. ALG process be used for purpose of Budget Planning for FY '02 (Peter/Trey)
5. Residential and Commercial Growth (Walter/Trey/Pam)
6. Open Space and Recreation Plan (Peter/Walter)
7. Health Insurance Trust Agreement (Peter)
8. HDC Bylaw Review (Dore'/Peter)
9. Decision on Pentamation Accounting System (Dore'/Pam)
10. Process Planning for "Life after NESWC" (Pam)

FY 2000 GOALS carried forward

11. Public Safety Facility (Dore'/Trey)
12. Determine future of Vallencourt House - 17 Woodbury Lane.
13. Provide looking at salary levels in the organization, include liaison with Personnel Board (Trey /Peter)