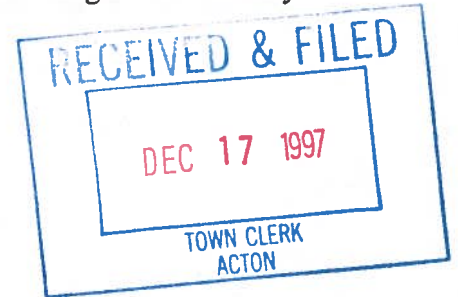


SELECTMEN'S MEETING

OCTOBER 21, 1997

The Board of Selectmen held their regular meeting on Tuesday, October 21, 1997 at 7:30 P.M. Present were F. Dore' Hunter, Wayne Friedrichs, Herman Kabakoff, William Mullin, Nancy Tavernier, Town Manager Don Johnson and Assistant Town Manager John Murray.

{The meeting was televised by cable}.



CITIZENS CONCERNS

None Expressed.

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND APPOINTMENTS

NEW ENGLAND TELEPHONE

NANCY TAVERNIER - Move to approve New England Telephone request located on Great Road. WILLIAM MULLIN - Second. UNANIMOUS VOTE.

SITE PLAN AMENDMENT WETHERBEE PLAZA 103 GREAT ROAD

The original plan for a site plan located at Wetherbee Plaza, 103 Great Road showed a two story ATM/bathroom. The Board questioned why an ATM needs to be two stories. The owner, Leo Bertolami, stated that there was an error in the original plan and stated that the ATM would indeed only be one story, however, a bathroom hookup is to be provided for the future. HERMAN KABAKOFF - Move to approve site plan amendment located at 103 Great Road. WAYNE FRIEDRICHS - Second. UNANIMOUS VOTE.

PLOWING OF PRIVATE WAYS PUBLIC HEARING

Staff presented the Board with their recommendations of the private way streets to be plowed this year. The following streets are recommended for plowing, some with requirements from staff prior to plowing:

Wyndcliff Drive
Audubon and Brewster Lane
Drummer Road

Meetinghouse Lane
Heron View Road
Nonset Path

Washington Drive Extension

WILLIAM MULLIN - Move to approve list noted above for private way plowing. WAYNE FRIEDRICHS - Second. UNANIMOUS VOTE.

POLICE CHIEF HALLOWEEN ISSUES

Chief George Robinson, was present to discuss the underage drinking issue. The Police Department has implemented a Zero Tolerance Policy. Chief Robinson stated that any underage drinking teenager will be subject to a summons/arrest. If an underage teenager is convicted this department will ask the judge for revocation of license for six months and a restricted curfew. The curfew will be a 7:00 PM to 7:00 AM restricted curfew seven (7) days a week. Also, if a underage teenager is present at a drinking party but not drinking a phone call will be made to the parents stating that their child was at a drinking party. The Chief stated that this town is not at war with the teenagers, however we are at war with obstacles that can get in a teenagers way. The Board stated that they are 100% supportive of this policy.

Chief Robinson also stated that twenty officers will be on duty Halloween night with certain areas being concentrated on. Unfortunately, a Football game will be held at the High School on Halloween night. The Police Department will work hard to keep this a controlled, safe night for all.

WINDERMERE SUBDIVISION

Bob Condon, member of Friends of Flagg Hill, was present before the Board to discuss the anticipated Windemere Subdivision. The Friends are concerned with water, safety and landscape issues. The Friends stated that currently Flagg Hill Road is not acceptable to today's standards with its S-turns and steepness. The Friends anticipate an additional 150 cars per day driving on an already unacceptable road. Mr. Condon spoke of two instances of cars ending up on his front lawn. The Friends are also concerned with the addition of construction trucks during the construction process and also wondered whether a secondary access road could be moved to use the land currently owned by the Water District.

Richard Larusso, 49 Ethan Allen Road, stated that he has lived 25 years in Acton and has all the confidence that the Board will make the right decision and suggested that the Board should make their decision with current information not outdated decisions of 30 years ago. Another resident of Ethan Allen suggested that the secondary access road be made at the end of Ticonderoga Road. Bob Selling, 32 Ethan Allen Road, also spoke about the emergency access road located off the upper end of Ethan Allen.

Bill Mullin stated that he is a resident of Flagg Hill and stated that he is working with the Friends of Flagg Hill and stated that he is impressed with the professionalism of the group. Bill Mullin stated that Ethan Allen Road would never have been built today. Bill also said that the

group is looking for solutions to Acton and also Boxborough. This subroad was accepted during a Board of Selectmen decision thirty years ago and that this old information should be looked at to accept a new decision.

Mr. Kevin Sweeney, developer, was present to discuss the proposed development. Mr. Sweeney gave a brief summation as to how Flagg Hill was developed years ago thanks to the late Henry Erikson.

Dore' stated that he counted 47 people in the audience and he acknowledged that this was a good showing of a neighborhood community.

SELECTMEN'S BUSINESS

PERSONNEL BOARD APPOINTMENTS

HERMAN KABAKOFF - Move to approve re-appointment of Diane Yasgur and John Donnelly to the Personnel Board with a term to expire June 30, 2000. WAYNE FRIEDRICHS - Second. UNANIMOUS VOTE.

SCHOOL BUILDING PROPOSAL DISCUSSION

The Board discussed the School's proposed expansion project and how the plans are changing weekly. The School Building Committee (SBC) has been discussing the projects' costs which are being targeted at 17M for the junior high project and 18M for the two elementary schools and are not talking about space or project details yet. The architects for the project are also cautioning that the numbers are preliminary and detailed design work has not been completed. The SBC also is undecided on exactly what should be built at this point and has offered multiple choices with a wide arrange of prices. The SBC is targeting a date of January 1998 since the process takes two years on line. The Board stated that the figures being thrown around are exceeding the 2001 plan.

CONSENT AGENDA

WILLIAM MULLIN - Move to approve consent calendar as printed with the addition of an Internal Borrowing Request for town project financing. WAYNE FRIEDRICHS - Second. UNANIMOUS VOTE.

TOWN MANAGERS REPORT

ALG

Don stated that the next ALG meeting is scheduled for November 19, 1997

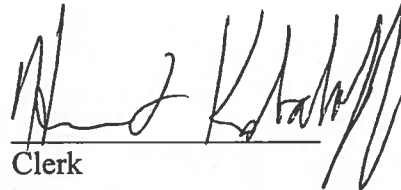
NESWC UPDATE

John Murray indicated that Wheelabrator attended the last two NESWC Board meetings. Wheelabrator has indicated that if the communities cut them a check they will tear up the contracts. The sum that they are looking for has not been disclosed.

Don indicated that Senator Bob Durand went out of his way to at the legislative breakfast meeting to state that he would seek relief for the NESWC Communities.

HERMAN KABAKOFF - Move to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing contract negotiations and potential litigation. WILLIAM MULLIN - Second. All Ayes.

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 PM.



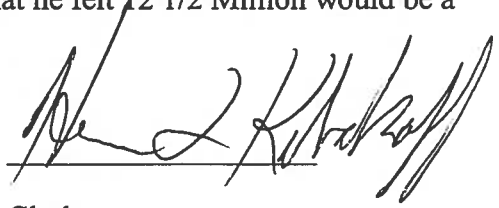
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**EXECUTIVE SESSION
OCTOBER 21, 1997**

John Murray stated that Wheelabrator was throwing around a 100 million dollar figure for the NESWC Communities to pay to get out of the existing contract. Acton's share would be \$5 million. John was asked by the communities to work out a mutually agreeable number to present to Wheelabrator to get out the contract and stated that he felt 12 1/2 Million would be a reasonable price.



Clerk

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October 17, 1997

TO Board of Selectmen

FROM: F. Dore' Hunter, Chairman

SUBJECT: Selectmen's Report

AGENDA

Room 204

OCTOBER 21, 1997

7:30 P.M.

I. CITIZEN'S CONCERNS

II. PUBLIC HEARINGS & APPOINTMENTS

1. 7:31 BOSTON EDISON - GREAT ROAD - Enclosed please find a request for Conduit approval and staff comment for Board action.
2. 7:32 SITE PLAN AMENDMENT - WETHERBEE PLAZA - GREAT ROAD - Enclosed please find a request for Amendment to include ATM/BANK Building and staff comment for Board review and action.
3. 7:35 PLOWING OF PRIVATE WAYS PUBLIC HEARING- Enclosed please find materials in the subject regard for Board review and action.
4. 7:45 POLICE CHIEF - Chief Robinson will be present to discuss Halloween and other youth related issues.
5. 8:15 WINDEMERE SUBDIVISION

III. SELECTMEN'S BUSINESS

6. PERSONNEL BOARD APPOINTMENTS - Enclosed please find materials regarding the re-appointment of members of the Personnel Board for Board review and action.
7. SCHOOL BLDG. PROPOSAL DISCUSSION - Chairman Hunter will update the Board regarding this topic.
8. OTHER

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

9. Fund Request - Enclosed please find two confidential requests for disbursements of funds from the Whitney and Betsy Ball Funds for Board action.

10. ACCEPT GIFT - Enclosed please find a request from the WAL Trustees for acceptance of a gift of \$10.00 for Board action.

11. BUILDING USE REQUEST - Enclosed please find a request from the Friends of the Acton Library and staff response regarding the use of the Town Hall Lobby on November 22nd.

V. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

MEETINGS

ALG - 10/20/97

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.

Nov. 4 -
Nov. 18
Dec. 2
Dec. 16

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