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## **SELECTMEN'S MINUTES**

**October 8, 1996**

**Present:** Nancy Tavernier, F. Dore' Hunter, William C. Mullin, Wayne L. Friedrichs, Herman Kabakoff, Town Manager Don Johnson and Assistant Mgr. Murray. (The meeting was televised)

### **CITIZEN'S CONCERNS**

Andy Bagin (sp.) resident of Acorn Park was present to ask the Selectmen to support inclusion of Acorn Park on the list of Private ways for plowing. Chairman Tavernier noted that the Board would be discussing petitions submitted within the time frame at the October 22nd meeting. She noted that she was not sure that the Condominium Association representing Acorn had made a timely filing, but that the Board would be reviewing the issue at the next Board of Selectmen's meeting.

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS AND APPOINTMENTS**

#### **CLASSIC USED CARS OF ACTON AND CONCORD - 140 GREAT ROAD CLASS II LICENSE- Continued hearing**

Mr. D'Agostine representing his client, withdrew the Application continued from September 10, 1996.

### **SUMMER/WILLOW - TRAFFIC RULES AND ORDERS AMENDMENT**

John Kennedy of VHB discussed at length the options as identified by VHB and the Town Engineer. They agree that rumble strips are noisy and that the Dangerous Warning sign was not a good idea from liability standpoint. Some signs suggested were acceptable some suggested were not. John Kennedy discussed the various options for re-alignment of the intersection. The costs would be from \$25,000 to 50,000 to construct, exclusive of any land acquisition that would be required.

A two way stop with a flashing beacon would be an alternative with a cost of about \$10,000 . However, land would be needed for the mast pole on one of the four properties, this too would add to the cost for land taking or damages.

The four way stop was identified as the option of choice. It would be under \$1,000 if it didn't work they could just be removed. The addition of the beacon could also be considered. Dore' felt we should try the 4-way for a few months to see if it was helping the accident rate decrease.

WILLIAM MULLIN - Moved to recommend a double stop at Summer Street East and West with more aggressive signage on Summer and Willow. NANCY TAVERNIER - SECOND. 1-4 (No) Motion fails.

Mr. Mullin urged an incremental approach. Mr. Kabakoff felt a 4-way stop was a better approach. Mr. Friedrichs felt it is important to address the safety at the corner and urged a 4-way stop. Mr. Hunter was inclined to support a 4-way with a reasonable date to get experience, put the issue back on the agenda and get a report back after its been installed and data can be reviewed.

DORE' HUNTER - Moved to install a 4-Way Stop at Willow and Summer and to schedule a report from staff in six months with review by the Board on an agenda in June. HERMAN KABAKOFF - Second. UNANIMOUS VOTE.

The Neighbors present expressed their desire that the intersection be realigned or that a flashing light be installed instead of the 4-way stop. They felt it would be noisy and bring air pollution since it is a truck route. One resident felt that the review period should be one year.

Mrs. Tavernier noted that the \$10,000 for the light could be discussed at budget time or submitted as a warrant article for the Spring Town Meeting.

## **SELECTMEN'S BUSINESS**

### **POST TOWN MEETING PROJECTS**

The Board discussed the status of the post town meeting projects. Dore' will be continuing his conversations with Bill regarding Chapter O. Herman and Wayne are still moving along with their review of the Historic District Bylaw. The timeline is nearing completion with regard to the town meeting and warrant distribution timeline, Nancy is working with staff to complete this. Herman and Dore' are reviewing Outreach Program, Nancy suggested they be forwarded copies of the Board/Committee Survey.

### **CAC DISCUSSION CAC INTERSECTION PLANS**

Dore' spoke about the process they use to review the Rotary and concerns of the participating communities. The Town's are not happy with the studies to date. Mr. Hunter said that a Representative needed to be appointed to question the model and letters are needed to be sent to District 4. Mr. Hunter asked for approval of the Board to send the letter as drafted in the packet. The Board has to move to consensus at School/Wetherbee and Hosmer/Piper/Taylor to push since we've lost access. Mr. Hunter thinks the group should meet and get a general concept developed. DORE' HUNTER - Moved to send the Draft as written from the Board to District 4. WAYNE FRIEDRICHS Second. UNANIMOUS VOTE.

The Board will be discussing this at the Kelley's Corner Planning Committee Meeting to see who is interested, Bill thought the sub committees could get together and

fast track it. It was decided that it should be an agenda item at the KCPC on the 21st with Don to talk to Roland and Nancy to the Planning Board.

### **2001 PLANS**

The Selectmen will be hosting the November 4th meeting at the Senior Center. All members with the exception of Mr. Mullin will be attending.

### **ACTON/BOXBOROUGH CULTURAL COUNCIL**

The endorsement was discussed. The Board agreed to endorse their next project and the Chairman will write the endorsement letter. WILLIAM MULLIN - Moved to support the ABCC's Project, Environmental Sculpture Exhibit for the Fall of 1997. HERMAN KABAKOFF - Second. UNANIMOUS VOTE.

### **SEWER COMMITTEE UPDATE**

The Chairman announced the October 29th meeting at 7:30 P.m. when the Adams Street testing and what capacity will be announced. That will be 6 days before the 2001 meeting. Financing options to be prepared by John. Bill noted that no Fin Com members appeared to be participating from the minutes he reviewed. Nancy said that their participation should increase now that the money end of the project is moving forward.

Dore' and Nancy met with Jim Deming of the Water District and Steve Stuntz. Mr. Demming has a lot of input and is very interested. He will join the Steering Committee if appointed. HERMAN KABAKOFF - Moved to appoint Mr. James Demming to the Sewer Steering Committee. WILLIAM MULLIN - Second. UNANIMOUS VOTE.

It was noted that Paul Hogan from DEP would be coming to Acton and Doug and Nancy would be giving him a tour.

### **ACHC**

DORE' HUNTER - Moved to appoint Kevin McManus to a one year term, Peter Berry and Jana Mullin to two year terms, Pamela Shuttle and Betty McManus to three year terms, Robert VanMeter and Pamela Fleetmen as Associates of the Acton Community Housing Corporation ("ACHC"). HERMAN KABAKOFF - Second. UNANIMOUS VOTE.

**NESWC** - The Board noted the October 10th meeting which is open to the public.

**ALG** - The next meeting is the 16th the Town Manager asked to any possible agenda items. Town meeting date possible change is still being discussed at school level. The board wanted to clarify this.

**RECREATION** - Mr. Mullin updated the progress he has made on the White Paper. It was questioned how much is available for the report. \$23,000 available for the report but it is anticipated it will be around \$10,000. He will try to solicit questionnaires opinion from those who would have been at the summit.

**SCHOOL SPACE** - Dore' reported on the various forum's held by the Schools.

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**CONSENT AGENDA**

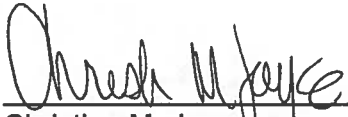
HERMAN KABAKOFF - Moved to Approve. DORE' HUNTER - Second.  
UNANIMOUS VOTE.

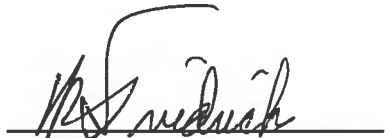
**TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT**

**ADVANCE FUNDS IN LIEU OF BORROWING** - The Town Manager asked the Board to sign the report of Advance Funds in Lieu of Borrowing. The Board signed and it will be forwarded to DOR.

**COMMUNITY POLICING** - Town Manager announced receipt of funds from the Community Policing Grants award.

The Board adjourned at 10:30 P.M.

  
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Date

October 4, 1996

TO Board of Selectmen

FROM: Nancy E. Tavernier, Chairman

SUBJECT: Selectmen's Report

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**AGENDA**  
Room 204  
October 8, 1996

**I. CITIZEN'S CONCERNS**

**II. PUBLIC HEARINGS & APPOINTMENTS**

1. **7:45 PETER TRUE - CLASS II HEARING CONTINUATION** - Application has been withdrawn by applicants attorney.
2. **8:00 SUMMER/WILLOW - TRAFFIC RULES AND ORDERS AMENDMENT-** Enclosed please find comments and suggestions from residents along with staff and consultant recommendations for Board review and action.

**III. SELECTMEN'S BUSINESS**

3. **POST TOWN MEETING PROJECTS** - Enclosed please find a memo regarding projects and status for discussion.
4. **CAC** - Enclosed please find a Draft letter regarding Rte. 2 Rotary replacement for Board review and discussion.
5. **CAC INTERSECTION PLANS** - Selectman Hunter would like to discuss his proposal for a joint meeting to discuss Piper-Taylor and School-Wetherbee intersections .
6. **2001 PLANS** - Enclosed please find a schedule for Board review and discussion.
7. **ACTON/BOXBOROUGH CULTURAL COUNCIL** - Enclosed please find a request for a letter of endorsement for the Fall 1997 Environmental Sculpture Exhibit for Board action.
8. **SEWER COMMITTEE UPDATE**
9. **ACHC** - Enclosed please find the Act Establishing and the criteria for Official appointment of Board Members.

**IV. CONSENT AGENDA**

10. **ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES** - Enclosed please find minutes from September 10, 1996 for Board acceptance and signature.

11. **ACCEPT DARE GIFT - BERLIN AUTO PARTS** - Enclosed please find a request from. Det. Fenniman for Board acceptance of proceeds from cars disposed at Berlin Auto Parts for Board acceptance.

**V. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT**

12. **ADVANCE FUNDS IN LIEU OF BORROWING** - Enclosed please find the new form that needs Board signature for processing.

**VI.**

**MEETINGS**

**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.

Oct. 22

Nov. 5 (after 8:00)

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