

SELECTMEN'S MEETING
JANUARY 30, 1996

The Board of Selectmen held their regular meeting on Tuesday, January 30, 1996, at 7:30 P.M. Present were acting Chairman Nancy Tavernier, F. Dore' Hunter, , Herman Kabakoff, Wayne Friedrichs, Town Manager Don Johnson, and Assistant Town Manager John Murray. (William Mullin was absent.) {The meeting was televised by cable}.

Nancy started the meeting by welcoming the Girl Scouts to the meeting. Each member introduced themselves to the Board and where allowed to ask the Board of Selectmen questions.

CITIZENS CONCERNS

Art Harrigan spoke on behalf the Municipal Power Study Committee and stated they are seeking new members since they are down to two (2) members. Art presented the Board with a task list for the next three months for the Municipal Power Study Committee. The Board cautioned Mr. Harrigan that the Committee is without a quorum so no votes can be taken until a quorum is obtained.

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND APPOINTMENTS

ACTON CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUND/GARDNER FIELD

The two Co-Chairs of the playground committee, Annette Lochrie and Elaine Richter, were present to request consideration for monies to help augment the fundraising activities of the committee. The committee has raised approximately \$9,000 of the \$48,000 that is needed to develop their plan. The plan of the committee is not only for a playground but for a park in order to attract all ages. The committee stated that they have received a great deal of support from the area merchants. The plan allows for a new fence, updated basketball facility, and playground equipment. The committee stated that they request allocation for \$39,000.

The Board thanked the committee for the presentation.

RESOLUTION

SWIFT RAIL ACT

The proposed draft resolution was presented to the Board for their review and action.

F. DORE' HUNTER - Move that the Board of Selectmen adopt the Swift Rail Act Resolution as printed. HERMAN KABAKOFF - Second. UNANIMOUS VOTE.

The Board discussed the exemption of the whistle blowing and concerns with safety. Nancy stated that Acton has no accidents which were attributed to whether or not whistles were blown.

DRAFT WARRANT

The Board reviewed the draft warrant for the April 1, 1996 Town Meeting. The Board decided to invite the Board of Health, Cable Advisory Committee, and the Planning Board to their February 27, 1996 meeting. The Board looked at the Index of the Articles and made some revisions. The Board stated that articles V-X (Self Funding Programs for the School would be combined and presented as one warrant article. Herman suggested that the Article to change zoning of land in Acton should be repositioned next to the Kelley's Corner Article. Bill stated that this year's warrant will require more presentations due to the amount of controversial items. Don stated that the warrant must be posted by March 12, 1996 and that everything must be finalized by March 5, 1996. The Board stated that an extra meeting would need to be held and it was decided that Saturday February 24, 1996 would be a good day. The schools have asked for a scholarship fund and the Board has asked why it isn't a local contribution fund. The Board told Don to meet with Isa and Bill regarding this. The Board reviewed the priority list. The Board also stated that FINCOM should receive a copy of the draft warrant as soon as possible.

SELECTMEN'S BUSINESS

Nancy stated that she was asked to be a member of the Suburban Coalition and she has agreed to do so.

Nancy stated that the Board had received in extra information a letter from Joe Mercurio stating his displeasure with his tax bill, and wanted Don to make sure that Brian McMullen addressed Mr. Mercurio's concerns.

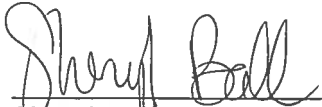
CONSENT AGENDA

F. DORE' HUNTER - Move to approve consent calendar as printed. WAYNE FRIEDRICHS - Second. UNANIMOUS VOTE.

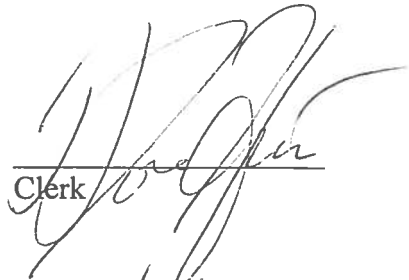
TOWN MANAGERS REPORT

Don stated that all department heads will be at the meeting of February 13, 1996.

F. DORE' HUNTER - Move to go into executive session for the purpose of discussing contract negotiations. HERMAN KABAKOFF - Second. All Ayes.



Sheryl Ball
Recording Secretary
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Clerk
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Date

January 26, 1996

TO: Board of Selectmen

FROM: William C. Mullin, Chairman

SUBJECT: Selectmen's Report

**AGENDA
Room 204
January 30, 1996**

I. CITIZEN'S CONCERNS

II. PUBLIC HEARINGS & APPOINTMENTS

1. 7:35 **WEST ACTON PLAYGROUND GARDNER FIELD** - Representatives will be presenting funding request to the Board.

III. SELECTMEN'S BUSINESS

2. **RESOLUTION - SWIFT RAIL ACT** - Enclosed please find a draft Resolution for Board review and action.
3. **DRAFT WARRANT** - Enclosed please find the first draft of the 1996 Annual Town Meeting Warrant Articles for Board review and discussion.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** - Enclosed please find minutes for January 2, 1996 for Board acceptance and signature.
5. **AUTOMATED AMUSEMENT LICENSE -INDOOR SPORTS -1 KEEFE ROAD** - Enclosed please find application and staff comment regarding Indoor Sports request for a Automated Amusement License for Board Action.
6. **ACCEPT GIFT** - Enclosed please find a request from the Town Planner to accept \$50,000 from New View for Sidewalk use for Board action.
7. **ACCEPT GIFT** - Enclosed please find a request from the West Acton Citizen's Library for acceptance of \$1,000 in money gifts for Books and Tapes for Board action.
8. **BOSTON EDISON** - Enclosed please find a request for Emergency Approval for work to be performed before a Public Hearing in conjunction with the South Acton Bridge project. I have enclosed staff comment for Board action.

9. EMERGENCY STREET CUT PERMIT - Enclosed please find staff memo and recommendation regarding issuance of a Emergency Street Cut Permit on Faulkner Hill Road for Board action.

10. BIKE LOCKERS - Enclosed please find staff request for approval of signs to be used in conjunction with Bike Lockers at the Commuter Lot for Board review and action.

V. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION`

11. There will be a need, please see the enclosed materials

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.

Feb. 13
Feb 27 - Street Acceptance Public Hearing

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