

Chairman Gill called the meeting to order 7:30 PM at the Town Hall Auditorium with members Charles Coldwell, Joseph Gill, John Mackey and John Ryan present. Town Manager Dave Cressman, Town Counsel Charles Zaroulis and Recording Secretary Heather Tecce were also present. Selectmen Selissen was not present.

Town Meeting Review Committee

Appearing before this board are members of the Town Meeting Review Committee, Sandy Barbeau, Liz Carey, Ray Shaw, Dennis Frances, Ron Hall, Wil Lambert, Dave Cressman and John Ryan. Mr. Ryan addressed the board that this committee is winding down and they have made many positive changes to the Town Meeting over the past eight years. This committee is willing to stay together and initiate a preliminary study of a Charter change if the Board of Selectmen approve. Mrs. Carey said the committee would put together a document on how to go about a Charter change.

Motion by Mr. Mackey second by Mr. Coldwell to have the Town Meeting Committee stay together and put together a document for a Charter change process and the board voted 4-0 favor. Mr. Selissen was not present.

Roy Patterson – Park Director

Park Director postponed until Sept. 20, 2005 – 8:30 PM

Town Counsel Invoice

Motion by Mr. Ryan, second by Mr. Mackey to approve Town Counsel invoice and the board voted 4-0 in favor.

Traffic Signal – Andover/ Radcliffe Road

Motion by Mr. Coldwell, second by Mr. Mackey to sign the agreement for Andover/Radcliffe Road Traffic Signal and the board voted 4-0 in favor.

Paving Plans

Mr. Cressman informed this board of the Paving Program for the next three years.

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Main Street Pole Petition

Chairman Gill read the Public Hearing notice. Appearing before this board was Roger Parrott of Mass. Electric. Mr. Gill received clarification from the Town Manager that this was an emergency situation and is currently in progress.

Motion by Mr. Coldwell second by Mr. Ryan to approve Main Street Pole Petition and the board voted 4-0 in favor.

Executive Session

AFSCME Head Filter Operator
IBPO Superior Vacations

Reports

Mr. Mackey would like to revisit the old money owed to the Town from the State. He would request as an alternative for the Commonwealth to give the Town of Tewksbury a parcel of land equivalent to the value of money owed. He would like this aggressively pursued with the State Delegation.

Motion Mr. Mackey to move forward to meet with the State Delegation for the alternative offer that the Commonwealth give a parcel of land equivalent to the money due the town, second by Mr. Ryan and the board voted 4-0 in favor.

Chief Donovan – Town by-law re: Road Work/Building Construction

Police Chief Donovan appeared before this board requesting change in the by-laws due to the back up in traffic because of construction projects requesting that his department be given authority to direct the best flow of traffic.

Motion by Mr. Coldwell second by Mr. Ryan to authorize the Town Manager due to emergency basis to direct the police chief that he and his department is the authority in the best interest of public safety in directing traffic and the board voted 4-0 in favor.

Residents

None appeared before this board

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Reports

Mr. Ryan reported the 911 Memorial will have a dedication on Sunday 9-11-05 beginning at the Common at 8:46 with a parade to the Memorial at the Library.

Mr. Gill reported the donations could be made to the Red Cross and Salvation Army for the Katrina Hurricane. Mr. Gill would like to Town Manager and the Supt. of Schools to have a plan in place for this winter in case of severe energy crisis. Mr. Gill reported that the lights on East and Chandler have not improved traffic flow.

Mr. Zaroulis recommended to this board that the letter not be read from the District Attorney regarding open meeting law at this meeting but there should be copy on hand and readily available for anyone to review.

Tewksbury Cultural Council

Motion by Mr. Coldwell second by Mr. Mackey to appoint Diane Testa to the Cultural Council and the board voted 4-0 to appoint.

Sewer & Water Rate Review Committee Appointments

Postponed appointments until Selectmen Selissen is present.

The next Board of Selectmen meeting will be September 20, 2005 at Town Hall Auditorium.

Motion by Mr. Mackey, second by Mr. Coldwell at 8:50 PM and unanimously voted to go into Executive Session. Polled all yes.

The Board came out of Executive Session at 9:15 p. m. and adjourned on a motion by Mr. Ryan, second Mr. Coldwell, unanimously voted.

John Mackey, Clerk