

Recording Secretary Heather Tecce called the meeting to order 7:00 PM at the Town Hall Auditorium with members Todd Johnson, John Mackey, Jerome Selissen and Anne Marie Stronach present. Town Manager David Cressman, Town Counsel Charles Zaroulis were also present.

Reorganization

Mrs. Tecce called for nomination for chairperson.

Motion by Mr. Mackey, second by Mr. Johnson to nominate Mr. Selissen as Chairman and the Board voted unanimously.

Mr. Selissen called for nomination for vice-chair and clerk.

Motion by Mr. Mackey, second by Mr. Selissen to nominate Mr. Johnson as Vice-Chair and the Board voted unanimously.

Motion by Mr. Mackey, second by Mr. Johnson to nominate Mrs. Stronach as Clerk and the Board voted unanimously.

Mr. Cressman made an announcement that Selectman Ryan had handed in his resignation to the Board effective today. Mr. Cressman thanked Mr. Ryan and Mr. Coldwell for their many years of service.

National Grid

Appearing before the Board was Maura Doherty and Jim Patterson of National Grid to recap some improvements to the electric distribution including Town of Tewksbury Substation expansion to be completed summer 2007, step down conversions, South Street feeder ties and the double pool database indicates that the seven poles are now ready to transfer to new single poles.

Residents

Steve Kenny, 10 Dunvey Road appeared before the Board explaining that his family and house are in danger of a tree that could possibly fall on his home. There was discussion of who owned the land the tree was on. The secretary took his number and the Town Manager will be in touch with him tomorrow to address this issue.

Police Sergeant Appointment

Mr. Cressman informed the Board of the appointment of Thomas Cooke as Temporary Police Sergeant as of April 10, 2007.

Labor Counsel Invoice

Motion by Mr. Mackey second by Mr. Johnson to approve Labor Counsel invoice dated April 3, 2007 and the Board voted unanimously.

Health Insurance Rates

Atty. Zaroulis reviewed the rules of necessity because most of the Board or the Boards family members receive benefits from the Town. Atty. Zaroulis explained that "the Rules of Necessity" would apply for a vote.

The Board would like health insurance options to be reviewed including Mr. Selissen suggesting regional approach with other communities.

Motion by Mr. Mackey second by Mr. Johnson to adopt rates for FY08 Health, Dental and life insurance and the Board voted unanimously.

Lews Place

A payment from Lews Place has been received but it did not bring the back taxes up to date. Atty. Zaroulis informed the Board if Lew's Place revised a new payment plan to bring the taxes up to date, that is okay and no hearing is necessary.

Motion by Mr. Johnson second by Mrs. Stronach to have owner (Lew's Place) make arrangements to revise payment plan to get payments up to date and the Board voted unanimously.

Backflow Devices

This Board received clarification on testing; the testing is done in town twice a year because of the type for devices it has and it being state mandated to test twice. The Board would like this revisited next year to make sure we are in line.

Motion by Mr. Johnson second by Mr. Mackey to approve cluster designation, cluster designation is any single facility containing multiple backflow devices at one address or structure and the Board voted unanimously.

Town Engineer

Motion by Mr. Mackey second by Mrs. Stronach to post position but it will not be filled until financial ability is determined and the Board voted unanimously.

Minutes

Motion by Mr. Mackey second by Mr. Selissen to approve minutes of November 14, 2006 regular and executive session and the Board voted 2 in favor. Mrs. Stronach and Mr. Johnson did not vote.

Board Members

Mr. Johnson raised the question of what is the status of the South Fire Station cell tower; he questioned where it could be moved to.

Mr. Mackey would like to have a meeting with the department heads and a separate night with the school committee to make sure the residents have a clear understanding of the cuts made to the budgets.

Mr. Selissen would like to have formed a budget task force to include: (2) members of the FinCom, (2) Finance Department (Mrs. Walsh and Mr. Kelly), Mrs. Stronach BOS, (2) members at large and (2) School Committee member (one being Mr. Quinn). He would like this task force to put a 3-year budget plan together.

Mr. Mackey would like to reconsider vote for the override due to lack of trust and support from the public.

Motion by Mr. Mackey second by Mrs. Stronach to reconsider vote taken at Board meeting 4/10/2007 and the Board voted unanimously.

Motion by Mr. Mackey to rescind vote and do not hold override, second by Mrs. Stronach and the Board voted unanimously.

Town Warrant

- Article 1 & 2: Motion to table until Town Meeting by Mr. Mackey second by Mr. Johnson and the Board voted unanimously.
- Article 3: Motion to adopt by Mr. Johnson second by Mrs. Stronach and the Board voted unanimously.
- Article 4: Motion to table until Town Meeting by Mr. Mackey second by Mr. Johnson and the Board voted unanimously.
- Article 5 & 6: Motion to table until Town Meeting by Mrs. Stronach second by Mr. Johnson and the Board voted unanimously.
- Article 7: Motion to adopt by Mr. Johnson second Mr. Mackey and the Board voted unanimously.
- Article 8: Motion to adopt by Mr. Mackey second by Mr. Johnson and the Board voted unanimously.
- Article 9: Motion to adopt by Mr. Mackey second by Mr. Johnson and the Board voted unanimously.
- Article 10: Motion to adopt by Mr. Mackey second by Mr. Johnson and the Board voted unanimously.
- Article 11: Motion to adopt by Mr. Mackey second by Mr. Johnson and the Board voted unanimously.
- Article 12: Motion for Indefinite Postponement by Mr. Mackey second by Mr. Johnson and the Board voted unanimously.
- Article 13: Motion to adopt by Mr. Mackey second by Mr. Johnson and the Board voted unanimously.
- Article 14: Motion to adopt by Mr. Johnson second by Mr. Mackey and the Board voted unanimously.
- Article 15: Motion to adopt by Mr. Johnson second by Mr. Mackey and the Board voted unanimously.
- Article 16 & 17: Motion to table until Town Meeting by Mr. Johnson by Mrs. Stronach the Board voted unanimously.
- Article 18: Motion to adopt by Mr. Mackey second by Mr. Johnson and the Board voted unanimously.

- Article 19: Motion to adopt by Mr. Mackey second by Mr. Johnson and the Board voted unanimously.
- Article 20: Motion to adopt by Mr. Mackey second by Mr. Johnson and the Board voted unanimously.
- Article 21: Motion to adopt by Mr. Mackey second by Mrs. Stronach and the Board voted unanimously.
- Article 22: Motion to adopt by Mr. Mackey second by Mr. Johnson and the Board voted unanimously.
- Article 23; Motion to adopt by Mr. Mackey second by Mr. Johnson and the Board voted unanimously.
- Article 24: Motion to adopt by Mr. Johnson second by Mrs. Stronach and the Board voted unanimously. Mr. Mackey did not vote.
- Article 25: Motion to adopt by Mr. Johnson second by Mr. Mackey and the Board voted unanimously.
- Article 26: Motion to adopt by Mr. Mackey second by Mr. Johnson and the Board voted unanimously.
- Article 27: Motion to adopt by Mr. Johnson second by Mrs. Stronach and the Board voted unanimously.
- Article 34: Motion to adopt by Mr. Mackey second by Mr. Johnson and the Board voted unanimously.
- Article 35: Motion to adopt by Mr. Mackey second by Mr. Johnson and the Board voted unanimously.
- Article 36: Motion to adopt by Mr. Johnson second by Mr. Mackey and the Board voted unanimously.
- Article 37: Motion to adopt by Mr. Mackey second by Mrs. Stronach and the Board voted unanimously.
- Article 38: Motion to adopt by Mr. Mackey second by Mr. Johnson and the Board voted unanimously.
- Article 39: Motion to adopt by Mr. Johnson second by Mr. Mackey and the Board voted unanimously.
- Article 40: Motion to adopt by Mr. Johnson second by Mr. Mackey and the Board voted unanimously.
- Article 41: withdrawn. If not withdrawn this Board will vote for Indefinite Postponement.
- Article 42: Motion to adopt by Mr. Mackey second by Mrs. Stronach and the Board voted unanimously.

Special Town Meeting Warrant

- Article 1: Motion to adopt by Mr. Mackey second by Mrs. Stronach and the Board voted unanimously.
- Article 2: Motion to adopt by Mr. Mackey second by Mrs. Stronach and the Board voted unanimously.
- Article 3: Motion to adopt by Mr. Johnson second by Mr. Mackey and the Board voted unanimously.
- Article 4: Motion to adopt by Mr. Johnson second by Mrs. Stronach and the Board voted unanimously.
- Article 5: Motion to adopt by Mr. Johnson second by Mr. Mackey and the Board
- voted unanimously.
- Article 6: Motion to adopt by Mr. Mackey second by Mrs. Stronach and the Board voted unanimously.
- Article 7: Motion to adopt by Mr. Mackey second by Mrs. Stronach and the Board voted unanimously.
- Article 8: Motion to table by Mr. Mackey second by Mrs. Stronach and the Board voted unanimously.
- Article 9: Motion to adopt by Mr. Johnson second by Mrs. Stronach and the Board voted unanimously.
- Article 10: Motion to adopt by Mr. Mackey second by Mrs. Johnson and the Board voted unanimously.
- Article 11: Motion to adopt by Mr. Mackey second by Mrs. Johnson and the Board voted unanimously
- Article 12: Motion to table until May 7, 2007 by Mr. Johnson second by Mr. Stronach and the Board of voted unanimously.
- Article 13: Motion to adopt by Mr. Mackey second by Mrs. Johnson and the Board voted unanimously.
- Article 14: Motion to adopt by Mr. Johnson second by Mrs. Stronach and the Board voted unanimously.
- Article 15: Motion to adopt by Mr. Johnson second by Mr. Mackey and the Board voted unanimously.

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VFW Poppy Drive

Motion by Mr. Johnson second by Mr. Mackey to authorize the VFW to hold the annual Buddy Poppies drive and the Board voted unanimously.

Memorial Day Parade

Motion by Mr. Mackey second by Mr. Johnson to authorize the Patriotic Activities Committee to hold the parade on May 28, 2007 and the Board voted unanimously.

The next Board of Selectmen meeting will be May 22, 2007 at 7:30 PM at Town Hall Auditorium

Motion by Mr. Johnson second by Mrs. Stronach at 9:25 PM and unanimously voted to adjourn.