

Selectmen's Meeting
Tuesday, August 6, 2002
Ayer Town Hall-1st Floor Meeting Room, Main St., Ayer, MA

7:00p.m. Open Session

The Board met with Chairman Witherow, Selectman Maxant, Selectman Bresnahan and Selectman Sullivan. Selectman Fay absent-vacation.

The Minutes of July 23, 2002 were set back for further review the Executive Session Minutes of 7-23-02 were read and accepted.

Public Input: Chairman Witherow requested if there was any one present wishing to meet with the Board. No one stepped forward.

Chairman Witherow called for a vote to accept the Agenda. Selectman Bresnahan moved the Board approve the Agenda, 2nd by Selectman Fay, VOTE: unanimous, so moved.

Selectman Sullivan moved the Board enter into Executive Session after meeting with the Assessors and re-organize the Agenda after the Assessors to come back into Open Session. Selectman Bresnahan 2nd the motion for discussion. Selectman Bresnahan suggested the Board meet with all those who are present this evening accept the Advisory Committee reschedule them for the next Selectmen's meeting in two weeks, Selectman Sullivan excepting the amended motion, VOTE: unanimous, so moved.

Agenda I-tem 1. Assessor's Space Needs-The Board met with Assessor Edward Cornellier and Assessor's Assistant Thomas Hogan. Mr. Cornellier conducted a lengthy presentation re reasoning behind request through a diagram of current space and requested space. The Board set this matter back for further review and decision in two (2) weeks.

Agenda Item 2. Supt. Madigan's Report -The Board met with Supt. Madigan regarding Tata & Howard's immediate response action-DPW facility. The Board reviewed the original contract, which provided services related to notifying DEP re: the release of fuels at the site & assessment of soil & groundwater response plan to DEP. The original contract was in the amount of \$10,600.00. amendment #1-\$39,500 provided for monitoring wells, remediation and ongoing assessments. Amendment #3-\$19,000 for additional monitoring & Response Action Outcome Completion Reports to DEP. Chairman Witherow stating her displeasure with 97 project still open and should have been completed/closed in 2000, after spending \$50K and the project is still not closed and requesting an additional \$20K. Supt. Madigan stating he spent the funds on additional monitoring. Selectman Sullivan stating the treating, testing and soil removal was not covered under the original contract and requested the Board wrap it up with the additional 20K requested in Amendment #2. With that Selectman Sullivan moved the Board approve Amendment #2 in the amount of \$20K as stated in a letter to the Board dated 8-1-02, 2nd by Selectman Bresnahan VOTE: Selectman Bresnahan aye, Selectman Sullivan aye, Selectman Maxant aye, Chairman Witherow no 3-1 motion passes.

Agenda #3. Subordination Request. The Board met with Program Manager Timothy Hansen. Mr. Hansen presented the Board a Subordination Request for 118 Oakridge Dr., Ayer, MA. Mr. Hansen advised the Board to owner utilizing the Housing Rehabilitation Program in 2000 and is now seeking to obtain a home equity line of credit not to exceed \$25K to make home improvements. Mr. Hansen ran through the owners assessed value and current 1st & 2nd mortgages, the proposed HELOC would be for \$40K and the Town's lien totaling \$11,662.50. The Town's five-year lien expires in 2005. Selectman Sullivan based upon Mr. Hansen's back ground information moved the Board approve a subordination of the Certificate not to encumber to a home equity line of credit in the maximum of \$40K, 2nd by Selectman Bresnahan, VOTE: unanimous, so moved.


Chairman Witherow took this opportunity to congratulate all the volunteers and Town Departments who contributed time and energy on the Town's 4th of July Celebration. (see attached list). Chairman Witherow acknowledged Ruth Rhonemus, Chairman of the 4th of July with a Certificate of Recognition and read off

all the names of the volunteers and Town Departments in to the record. All were presented Certificates of Appreciation and given pins and decals donated by the Ayer Police Chief.

Agenda #4. Fire Chief Paul Fillebrown The Board met with Chief Fillebrown.

1. Chief Fillebrown updated the Board to Firefighter Charles Dillon being activated -War Against Terrorism and of need to fill position. Position being advertised. New position to start at Step 1. Selectman Bresnahan moved the Board approve of Chief Fillebrown's action to fill temporary position immediately, 2nd by Selectman Sullivan VOTE: unanimous, so moved. Selectman Sullivan moved the Board wishes Mr. Dillion the very best, 2nd by Selectman Bresnahan, VOTE: unanimous, so moved.
2. The Chief introduced Kelly Foster of Winter Street Architects. Present for the discussion from the Fire Station Study Committee Wellman Parker. Mr. Kelly conducted a brief presentation of the new Fire Station Design/schematics/ to the Board and viewing public. Main entrance of building facing Main St. split level with living quarters upstairs trucks in back, parking. The Board requested the Chief conduct a Public Meeting re the exterior design for public input from the residents.
3. Present Fire Station updates: The Board requested this item be tabled for two weeks until the next Selectmen's meeting. Motion made by Selectmen Bresnahan, 2nd by Selectmen Sullivan, VOTE: unanimous, so moved.

8:00p.m. Selectman Maxant moved the Board adjourn from Open Session to enter into Executive Session pursuant to MGL Chapter 39 Section 23B Exemption #3 contract negotiations to adjourn from that meeting to re-enter Open Session to take up business remaining from earlier this evening, time permitting, to adjourn from that Open Session for the sole purpose of adjourning the meeting, 2nd by Selectman Bresnahan, VOTE: Selectman Maxant aye, Selectman Sullivan aye, Selectman Bresnahan aye, Chairman Witherow aye, unanimous, so moved.


Frank F. Maxant, Clerk
AYER BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Date: 8/27/12