

SELECTMEN'S MEETING  
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 1991  
SECOND FLOOR, TOWN HALL  
MAIN STREET, AYER, MA. 01432

7:30P.M. OPEN MEETING

THE BOARD MET WITH CHAIRMAN MCKINNEY, SELECTMAN SLARSKY AND SELECTMAN JONES.

THE MINUTES OF AUGUST 26, 1991 WERE READ AND AMENDED TO CORRECT THE SPELLING OF GOV. WELD'S NAME FROM WELLS ON PAGE I. THE MINUTES WERE THEN APPROVED WITH CORRECTION.

THE BOARD APPROVED THE WEEKLY WARRANT IN THE FOLLOWING AMOUNTS:

PAYROLL: \$33,378.67

BILLS: \$337,505.28

CHAIRMAN MCKINNEY TURNED THE FLOOR OVER TO SELECTMAN SLARSKY TO COMMENT ON THE NAID CONFERENCE HELD IN MOBILE, ALABAMA ON SEPTEMBER 15- 18, 1991.

SEE INSERT:

THE BOARD APPROVED A ONE DAY BEER & WINE LICENSE FOR THE AYER SPORTSMEN'S CLUB FOR THE FOLLOWING DATES: SEPTEMBER 28, 1991, OCTOBER 5, 12, 19, AND 26, 1991.

THE BOARD APPROVED A ONE DAY BEER & WINE LICENSE FOR THE SEASONED CHEF, LESSEE OF THE SHAKER HILLS GOLF COURSE FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 1991.

PUBLIC HEARING: BOSTON GAS COMPANY

CHAIRMAN MCKINNEY OPENED THE HEARING BY READING THE LEGAL NOTICE WHICH RAN 9/11 & 9/18/91 IN THE NASHOBA PUBLICATIONS NEWSPAPER. THE BOARD MET WITH FRANCIS O'LEARY REPRESENTING BOSTON GAS RE: BOSTON GAS'S PETITION, DATED 8/27/91 FOR WEST MAIN STREET, AYER, MA. MR. O'LEARY REVIEWED THE PLANS WITH THE BOARD FOR THE PROPOSED WORK TO BE DONE. MR. O'LEARY STATED THIS WHOLE PROJECT IN AYER WAS A SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT TO INCREASE THE VOLUMES/PRESSURE FOR THE TOWN AND TO ACCOMMODATE FUTURE GROWTH. MR. O'LEARY STATED THIS PETITION WOULD BE THE CONCLUSION OF THE PROJECT TO TIE EVERYTHING IN. THE BOARD STATED THEY APPROVED THE PETITION IN PRINCIPAL BUT RECOMMENDED THE CHAIRMAN VIEW THE SITE AND MAKE DETERMINATION IF INFRA RED PATCH OR FULL OR PARTIAL WIDTH REPAVING IS IN ORDER. MR. O'LEARY STATED THAT THIS PROJECT IS PREDOMINATELY IN THE SIDEWALK VAULT, ONLY ONE TO TWO FEET WOULD BE IN THE TRAVELED ROADWAY. THE BOARD REQUESTED IF BOSTON GAS WOULD COME BACK SHOULD ROADWAY DEPRESSIONS OCCUR. MR. O'LEARY ASSURED THE BOARD THAT BOSTON GAS WOULD REPAIR ROADWAY

DEPRESSIONS OCCURRING AS A RESULT OF THEIR PROJECTS. CHAIRMAN MCKINNEY REQUESTED IF THERE WAS ANYONE PRESENT TO SPEAK FOR OR AGAINST THE PETITION. NO ONE CAME FORWARD.

SELECTMAN SLARKSY MOVED CHAIRMAN MCKINNEY VIEW BOSTON GAS SITE AND MAKE DETERMINATION IF A FULL WIDTH RE-PAVING IS NECESSARY OR INFRA RED PATCH, SECONDED BY SELECTMAN JONES, VOTE: UNANIMOUS, SO MOVED.

PUBLIC HEARING: AYER SPORTSMEN'S CLUB-SNAKEHILL ROAD, AYER, MA.  
COMMON VICTUALLER'S LICENSE

CHAIRMAN MCKINNEY OPENED THE HEARING BY READING THE LEGAL NOTICE WHICH APPEARED IN THE NASHOBA PUBLICATIONS NEWSPAPER THE WEEKS OF 9/11/91 AND 9/18/91. CHAIRMAN MCKINNEY REQUESTED IF ABUTTERS HAD BEEN NOTIFIED OF THE HEARING. MR. HORTON PRODUCED CERTIFIED GREEN POSTAL RECEIPTS. THE BOARD MET WITH CHARLIE HORTON REPRESENTING THE AYER SPORTSMEN CLUB. MR. HORTON STATED THAT THE CLUB HAD ALWAYS HAD A COMMON VICTUALLER'S LICENSE IN THE PAST BUT HAD SOMEHOW LET IT EXPIRE. THIS LICENSE WOULD ALLOW THE CLUB'S ANNUAL BAR-B-QUE, BANQUETS, ETC. CHAIRMAN MCKINNEY REQUESTED IF THERE WAS ANYONE/ABUTTERS. PRESENT TO SPEAK FOR OR AGAINST THE GRANTING OF THIS LICENSE. NO ONE CAME FORWARD.

SELECTMAN SLARSKY MOVED THE BOARD APPROVE THE COMMON VICTUALLER'S LICENSE FOR THE AYER SPORTSMEN'S CLUB, SECONDED BY SELECTMAN JONES, VOTE: UNANIMOUS, SO MOVED.

PUBLIC HEARING: LAYING OUT OF ROAD-PATRICIA DRIVE, AYER, MA.

THE BOARD MET WITH DICKSON WOOD OF THE MINOT GROUP, STOW, MA. CHAIRMAN MCKINNEY OPENED THE HEARING BY READING THE LEGAL NOTICE WHICH APPEARED IN THE NASHOBA PUBLICATIONS THE WEEKS OF 9/11 AND 9/18/91.

MR. WOOD STATED THAT REQUIREMENTS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF WAYS AND MUNICIPAL SERVICES FOR THE WILLOW ESTATES SUBDIVISION HAVE BEEN WHOLLY COMPLETED. MR. WOODS STATED ALL CONSTRUCTION WAS INSPECTED BY THE ENGINEERING FIRM CAMP DRESSER & MCKEE AND ACCEPTED BY SUPT. WILLIAM REDFIELD AS BEING CONSTRUCTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS APPROVED BY BOTH THE PLANNING BOARD AND THE DEPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS AND ALSO WITH THE TOWN OF AYER'S WATER & SEWER REGULATIONS AND SUB-DIVISION CONTROL REGULATIONS. MR. WOOD STATED THAT THE COVENANT HAD BEEN RELEASED AS WELL AS TRI-PARTY AGREEMENT. CHAIRMAN MCKINNEY REQUESTED IF THERE WAS ANYONE PRESENT TO SPEAK FOR OR AGAINST THE PETITION. NO ONE CAME FORWARD. SELECTMAN SLARSKY STATED THE PROJECT WAS A CREDIT TO THE TOWN AND COULD SEE NO REASON WHY IT SHOULDN'T BE PLACED ON THE WARRANT, CONTINGENT UPON THE AYER PLANNING BOARD SUBMITTING DOCUMENTATION OF THEIR APPROVAL. THE SELECTMAN PLACED THIS AS A MOTION, SECONDED BY SELECTMAN JONES, VOTE: UNANIMOUS, SO MOVED.

CHAIRMAN MCKINNEY REQUESTED CHIEF CONNORS COME FORWARD. CHAIRMAN MCKINNEY EXPRESSED THE BOARD'S APPRECIATION FOR HIS NINE AND A HALF YEARS OF LOYAL AND DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE TOWN OF AYER. AND WISHED THE CHIEF ALL THE BEST OF LUCK ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN UPON HIS RE-ENLISTMENT IN THE SERVICE. THE BOARD THANKED THE CHIEF FOR ALL HIS MANY HOURS ABOVE AND BEYOND THE CALL OF DUTY. CHIEF CONNORS STATED HIS THANKS TO THE TOWN AND BOARD AND OF HIS PLEASURE WORKING WITH AND FOR THE TOWN.

THE BOARD MET WITH CHIEF CONNORS REGARDING THE APPOINTMENT OF A PART-TIME TELECOMMUNICATOR FOR THE AYER POLICE DEPARTMENT. CHIEF CONNORS INTRODUCED JANICE KASILA TO THE BOARD. MS. KASILA STATED THAT SHE IS FROM LOWELL BUT IS CURRENTLY IN THE PROCESS OF MOVING TO PEPPERELL. CHIEF CONNORS STATED THAT MS. KASILA WOULD BE FILLING IN AND HER SHIFTS WOULD VARY AS NEEDED. THE BOARD REQUESTED IF MS. KASILA HAD PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE AS A TELECOMMUNICATOR? MS. KASILA RESPONDED NO. CHIEF CONNORS STATED THAT HE PREFERRED TO TRAIN THE COMMUNICATORS IN HOUSE, SO AS TO NOT BRING IN POOR HABITS. SELECTMAN SLARSKY MOVED THE BOARD APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF JANICE KASILA PER CHIEF CONNOR'S RECOMMENDATION CONTINGENT UPON MS. KASILA MEETING ALL REQUIREMENTS CURRENTLY ON FILE FOR THE POSITION, SECONDED BY SELECTMAN JONES, VOTE: UNANIMOUS, SO MOVED.

THE BOARD TOOK THE APPOINTMENT OF A NEW POLICE OFFICE UNDER ADVISEMENT. THE BOARD TO RESCHEDULE FOR MONDAY, OCTOBER 7, 1991.

CHAIRMAN MCKINNEY STATED THE BOARD MET WITH THE THREE SUPERVISORY CANDIDATES IN THE AYER POLICE DEPARTMENT APPLYING FOR THE ACTING CHIEF'S POSITION ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 1991. CHAIRMAN MCKINNEY STATED THAT THE BOARD INTERVIEWED TWO SERGEANTS AND THE LIEUTENANT. BASED UPON THE INTERVIEWS THE BOARD VOTED TO APPOINT LIEUTENANT ARTHUR BOISSEAU TO THE POSITION OF ACTING CHIEF EFFECTIVE UPON LT BOISSEAU APPROVING AND AGREEING TO THE CONTRACT DRAWN UP BY TOWN COUNSEL. SELECTMAN JONES STATED ALL THREE (3) CANDIDATES WERE EXCELLENT AND WOULD ENCOURAGE THEM TO ALL APPLY FOR THE CHIEF'S POSITION. CHAIRMAN MCKINNEY STATED SELECTING A ACTING CHIEF WAS NOT AN EASY JOB, AND A VERY DIFFICULT DECISION.

#### EXECUTIVE SECRETARY'S REPORT:

1. MR. HIGGINS REVIEWED WITH THE SELECTMEN THE SUBMITTED DRAFT OF THE SPECIAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT FOR OCTOBER 21, 1991. THE FOLLOWING ARTICLES WILL APPEAR: TAXI BY-LAW, FIRE ALARM SYSTEM, ADOPTION OF CHAPTER 148 SECTIONS 26G, 26H, AND 26I, SKATE BOARD BY-LAW, BID PROCUREMENT CEILING, ADOPTION OF CHAPTER 40 S, 27 PAYMENT OF TAXES.

2. MR. HIGGINS ADVISED THE BOARD THE MASS. SMALL CITIES APPLICATION IS IN TO THE STATE AND LETTERS REQUESTING SUPPORT OF THE TOWNS APPLICATION HAVE BEEN SENT OUT TO ALL STATE REPRESENTATIVES.

3. THE BOARD PER MR. HIGGINS REQUEST GRANTED THEIR APPROVAL FOR BI-WEEKLY WARRANTS TO BE SUBMITTED BY THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT. SELECTMAN JONES MOVED THE MOTION, SECONDED BY SELECTMAN SLARSKY, VOTE: UNANIMOUS, SO MOVED.

4. MR. HIGGINS INFORMED THE BOARD THAT THE AYER SCHOOL DEPT. HAVE RECEIVED CONFIRMATION THAT THE TOWN WILL RECEIVE FY-92 EQUAL EDUCATION OPPORTUNITY GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$80,000. THE BOARD REQUESTED THE ADVISORY BOARD MEET WITH THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE RE: THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE RETURNING THE TOWN'S \$80,000 APPROVED AT THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING OF MAY/1991 IN LIEU OF THE STATE NOT APPROVING THIS FUNDING.

THE BOARD AFTER A SHORT DISCUSSION REQUESTED THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE, ADVISORY BOARD AND THE SELECTMEN MEET ON OCTOBER 15, 1991 RE: THIS ISSUE. THE BOARD ALSO REQUESTED THE SCHOOL REGIONALIZATION COMMITTEE, SCHOOL COMMITTEE AND BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEET THE SAME EVENING TO DISCUSS THE POSSIBILITY OF FORT DEVENS SCHOOL ENROLLMENT DROPPING OFF AS EARLY AS JULY 1992 AND THE IMPACT TO THE TOWN.

5. THE BOARD WAS ADVISED OF THE ORAL BOARDS FOR THE DETECTIVE'S SLOT BEING HELD ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 1991 BEGINNING AT 8:00A.M. THE BOARD IS WELCOME TO SIT IN ON THE INTERVIEWS.

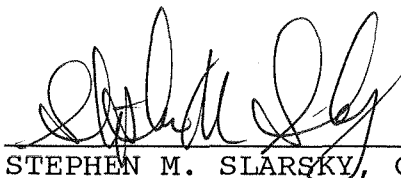
6. THE BOARD WAS ADVISED OF THE NEXT MEETING OF THE JOINT BOARDS IS TO BE HELD IN LANCASTER SEPT. 19, 1991 AT 7:00P.M. TO BEGIN THE PROCESS FOR THE ECONOMIC ADJUSTMENT GRANT.

7. THE BOARD WAS REMINDED OF THE DARE VEHICLE PRESENTATION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 1991 AT 10:00 AT GERVAIS FORD.

SELECTMAN SLARSKY REQUESTED THAT THE HARVARD POST BE CONTACTED RE: ERROR IN SEPTEMBER 16'S ARTICLE RE: THE REDEVELOPMENT BOARD MEETING HELD IN AYER. MR. SLARSKY STATED THE HARVARD POST REPORTED THAT HE WAS NOT PRESENT FOR THE DINNER HELD AT THE BULL RUN OR THE MEETING HELD AT THE NORTH MIDDLESEX BANK ON SEPTEMBER 11, 1991 AND THAT HE WAS INDEED PRESENT FOR BOTH OF THESE FUNCTIONS.

9:03P.M. SELECTMAN JONES MOVED THE BOARD ADJOURN FROM OPEN SESSION TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO M.G.L. CHAPTER 39, S. 23B RE: N.E. SHRIMP CO. TO ADJOURN TO RE-ENTER OPEN SESSION FOR THE SOLE PURPOSE OF ADJOURNING THE MEETING. SECONDED BY SELECTMEN SLARSKY, VOTE: UNANIMOUS, SO MOVED.

9:03P.M. THE BOARD ENTERED INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION.

  
STEPHEN M. SLARSKY, CLERK

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