

Selectmen's Meeting  
June 19, 1990  
Upper Town Hall

7:30PM Open Session

Present: Chairman Slarsky, Selectmen Jones and McKinney, Tim Higgins, Executive Secretary

Chairman Slarsky called the meeting to order, the first order of business was a review of the minutes of 6/5/90. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Selectman McKinney and seconded by Selectman Jones, all in favor and the motion passed.

The Board next signed the weekly warrant: Payroll: \$32,491.76 and Expenses: \$165,180.81.

Chairman Slarsky recognized Emanuel Sifakis and then presented him with a plaque in honor of his being a Selectman for twelve years and he was also given a Certificate of Appreciation honoring him and commending his civic duties to the Town.

#### Ayer Student Rights

Approximately 15 students from Ayer High School attending the meeting, Chairman Slarsky acknowledged them and one of the students read a petition asking that the if State Aid would be forthcoming that a fair share go to the school. They also said they would support an over ride proposition 2 and 1/2 next year and asked that teachers be given a fair evaluation. Chairman Slarsky replied that in anticipation of funding, that public hearings would be held and that the students should give the name of a contact person to Mr. Higgins to notify them of the Public Hearing. Chairman Slarsky praised the group for being involved with local government and stated that their concerns should also be given to the School Committee, he warned however that Ayer has made several cutbacks, which have all been serious, not just within the school, that there are other priorities also. Selectmen McKinney and Jones also encouraged the students for their participation and that they should continue working towards the goals they established, by following procedural guidelines.

#### Taxi Applications:

Mr Richie Morales: Based upon the Police Chief's recommendation that he recommended disapproval, the Board advised Mr. Morales that the license application would be taken under advisement and that Mr. Morales should contact Tim Higgins to discuss this matter with Chief Connors. A motion to this effect was made by Selectman Jones and seconded by Selectman McKinney, in a discussion Selectman McKinney asked Mr. Morales if he understood

the Boards decision, and he replied that he did, the motion passed.

Mr. Michael McNulty: After discussing the responsibilities of transporting passengers, and cautioning Mr. McNulty that a common carrier has much more responsibility than driving his own car, a motion was made to allow Mr. McNulty the Taxi License by Selectman McKinney, seconded by Selectman Jones and the motion passed. (NOTE: Mr. McNulty will be License #10 and will operate a 5 passenger sedan)

#### One Day Beer and Wine Licenses

A motion to give a one day beer and wine license to the Ayer Sportsman Club was made by Selectman McKinney, seconded by Selectman Jones

A motion was made to give Carlins a one day beer and wine license by Selectman Jones, seconded by Selectman McKinney and passed.

#### Public Hearing:

Common Victualler License for Woo Jung Restaurant  
Present: The owner Mr. Kim and his son

Chairman Slarsky read the notice of the Public Hearing as it was published. Mr. Kim advised the Board that the restaurant would open in July and seat approximately 40 people. Chairman Slarsky asked for comments from abutters. Two citizens present explained that they were in favor of the restaurant, but their only concerns were about traffic in the area. Mr. Kim advised the parking lot would be very visible.

In other discussion, it was determined there was ample parking with handicap parking also and a motion to approve the license was made by Selectman Jones, seconded by Selectmen McKinney, all in favor and the motion passed.

#### Reserve Officer Appointment:

Selectman McKinney stated that he felt the Board should go on the recommendation of the Chief, Selectman Jones concurred, and made a motion that Norman Nicholson be appointed to Reserve Police Officer, seconded by Selectman McKinney and the motion passed.

#### Reserve Fund Transfer/Sharon Summers

Sharon explained that \$1841.00 was needed in this fiscal year for interest payments and that in discussions with the Town Treasurer, the transfer would be the best way to go. The Board asked about the money in the Reserve Fund. Mrs. Summers replied that there was \$116,000 now, Selectman Jones made a motion to approve the transfer contingent upon approval of the advisory Board, seconded by Selectman McKinney (NOTE: Reserve Fund Breakdown was given by Sharon, \$46,000 in retirement, \$16,000

for the Fire Department, \$23,000 in Legal Expenses)

Advisory Board Appointment:

present Chuck Miller:

Mr. Miller presented the Advisory Board's recommendation for their new member replacing James Steven. He recommended William Oelfke. A motion to appoint Mr. Oelfke was made by Selectman Jones, seconded by Selectman McKinney all in favor and the motion passed.

Tim Higgin's Report:

Mr. Higgins stted that in his first item concerning the Uniform Procurement Act, a Town by-Law may have to be ammended. The Board would have to appoint a Chief Procurement Officer. He recommended that he be appointed as such and Mrs Summers would be appointed as Assistant Procurement Officer, the Board agreed unnaunimously. He continued that he and the Chief had met with the four firms chosen to do the design of the Police Station and recommended DiNisco Kretsch & Assoc. Inc as the first choice and if in negotiating, price agreements could not be worked out, to go with 2nd, 3rd and 4th choices respectively.

A motion was made by Selectman McKinney to accept the firm of DiNisco Kretsch & Assoc. Inc, seconded by Selectman Jones, and that if negotiations were not successful to go with the other firms as listed in descending order. The motion was seconded by Selectman Jones, and passed.

PL874 Update

Tim reported that the committee had met and that a report will be given to the Selectmen on July 3rd.

911 Update

Tim reported that both the Fire Chief and Police Chief feel that the dispatchers should become familiar with the Operatrions of the Fire Department and arrangements will be made for them to tour the Fire Station. Also, that in hiring new dispatcher the Fire Department will have input in any discussions. He stated that more information will be available at the next meeting.

Light Duty Policy:

Tim reported that he had met once with the IBPO concerning beginning negotiations of the Light Duty Policy and will update the Board at a later meeting.

Tim presented a letter concerning the W. Main St. bridge for the

Board's signature which will be sent to our representatives and Mass. DPW and that he would be enclosing pictures taken by Mrs. Lewis which show the deterioration of the bridge. He then read the letter aloud. He stated that the matter of Hoyle Tanner & Assoc would be covered by Mr. Redfield's report. He continued that Officers Bonner and Murray had been commended by the Littleton Chief of Police for assistance during an arrest. Lastly, he stated that the Harvard Selectmen would like to meet with this Board regarding the Golf Course in Harvard. The Board agreed and encouraged the inter-local co-operation.

#### Supt Redfield's Report:

#1 Supt Redfield asked the Board to approve a residential water connection for 7 Mountain View Ave as a result of an easement agreement regarding the Wright Rd/Sandy Pond sewer lines. The Board in a discussion agreed to approve the permit a motion to approve was made by Selectman Jones, seconded by Selectman McKinney and the motion passed.

#### #2 Supt Redfield

Supt Redfield advised the Board that he had been in touch with Mass Elec. and the Telephone Co., also that the Fire Chief and Nashoba Cable had been advised that construction would begin on W. Main St for conduit lines to replace overhead utilities. He noted that this work was verified at Annual Town Meeting June 8, 1987.

#### #3 Supt. Redfield:

Supt Redfield advised the Board that there was no crisis as far as the water demand because D.L. Maher was able to adjust the Spectacle Pond Well #2 impellers so that the well was able to pump an additional 150 gallons per minute, this allowed the Standpipes to recover to it's full elavation. He did predict however, that by 1993 the Town's water usage will exceed the safe pumping capacity of the Spectacle Pond Well fields and that during the summer of 1991 and 1992 the Town may have to activate the Grove Pond Wells or delare a Water Emergency and Water Use Restrictions. Chairman Slarsky asked if the maximum was during the week, Supt Redfield replied that it was. Chairman Slarsky asked for a breakdown of industry vs. residential. The Board members agreed that as the Town's Engineer, Mr Redfield should submit this information, they also requested information on the safe yeild, and the possiblity of adding a 4th tier on the bills since the facilities are for everyone not just for the industrial base. Supt Redfield stated he will review the in debt service with the Town Treasurer also.

#### #4 Mr. Redfield noted that he had received the bids to supply

the Public Works with Potassium Permanganate, Sodium Hypochlorite 15%, Hydrated Lime, Ferric Chloride Solution, Solar & Rock Sal, Uniform Rentals and #2 Fuel Oil. Chairman Slarsky asked if these bids were the lowest and qualified, Supt Redfield replied that they were, Chairman Slarsky, asked for a motion, Selectman Jones made a motion to award the contracts as recommended by the Superintendent, seconded by Selectman McKinney and passed.

#5 Mr Redfield explained that the DPW summer hours would be from 6:30am to 2:30PM but that his hours and Mrs. Winchesters would remain the same.

#6 MR. Redfield presented a retirement letter to the Board from Mr. Towm Riley, who will be retiring after 32 years of service. Mr Redfield stated that Mr. Riley was one of the best equipment operators he had ever worked with and Chairman Slarsky also noted that MR. Riley was one of the Town's most concienious and dedicated employee. Selectman Jones made a motion to accept the resignation with regrets, seconded by Selectman McKinney and passed. Mr Redfield asked to reinstate Mr. Sheehan, the Board advised him that this would be contingent upon approval of funds. He stated that he would reevview the matter with the Town Account.

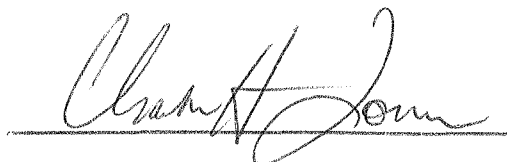
#### #7 EPA Order

Supt Redfield noted that The EPA order for the Town's WWTP would not be extended beyond June 30th, and that the Town has to submit to EPA an acceptable WWIPP by that date. Mr. Redfield advised them that EPA had only issued a conditional permit to the Town. Mr. Higgins advised that he, Atty Gardner and Bill had met with Hoyle Tanner to try and get the IPP in by the 30th, but that paying Hoyle Tanner Assoc., was another issue. Tim Higgins stated that Hoyle Tanner & Assoc were proceeding at their own risk. MR Redfield suggested that the industrial users may pay the \$12,000 and that if the Board agreed he would ask them. Chairman Slarsky stated that there would be no committment at this time. Mr. Redfield stated that Frank Maxant has a proposal to do the study for \$50.00 an hour not to exceed 10 hours and that he would come back to the Board with recommendations for funding.

Mr Redfield concluded his report noting that he would notify the Board at their next meeting about the status of the Wright Rd/Sandy Pond Sewer status.

Tim Higgins reminded the Selectmen that he is still seeking clarification on a Public Entertainment License.

9:15PM At this time Selectman Jones made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Selectman McKinney and all in favor and the motion passed.



Chairman H. Jones