

IN BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2003

Present: Chairman Kirsten D. Roopenian, Selectmen John C. Drobinski and Lawrence W. O'Brien.

The statutory requirement as to notice having been complied with, the meeting was convened at 7:30 p.m. in the Lower Town Hall, 322 Concord Road.

**Conservation Restrictions**

Present: Deborah Dineen, Conservation Coordinator.

Ms. Deborah Dineen briefly described the Conservation Restrictions being reviewed by the Board this evening and utilized drawings and sketches for clarification. She stated Town Counsel has reviewed or is reviewing pertinent documentation.

307 Boston Post Road – This restriction is divided into two parts, one-half acre in front and approximately one acre at the rear of the property. The previous owner was concerned about continued habitat protection for hawks, and worked with the developer to create a plan that would allow such protection. The Next Generation Childhood Center is on the property now. Ms. Dineen stated this restriction is an example of allowing for commercial development while still protecting the core values of the property. She stated further these restrictions will not prevent future development of the property. This Conservation Restriction is part of the Conservation Commission's Order of Conditions due to the construction being within the 100' wetlands buffer. The area can be walked on and played on but cannot be a manicured lawn.

802 & 810 Concord Road -- These parcels are mostly wet, but due to the demolition of an old home and reconfiguring usable area, two large homes can be placed on the property. The Conservation Restriction is placed around the developable area, abutting Fish and Wildlife property. This creates a large buffer between the large protected area and potential development. As part of the project, the pond was dredged and source of contamination (leaching cesspool) was eliminated.

Thornberry Lane – Willis Woods Subdivision – Most of the lots in this subdivision slope down in the rear toward Willis Pond. As part of the permit to do work on the level areas of the lot, the developer agreed to place restrictions on the sloping areas, thereby preventing use of hazardous chemicals leaching into the pond, as well as erosion of soil.

Lot 13, #65 Philomen Whale Lane – This lot has been vacant since the 1970s and is configured very tightly, the house and septic being placed with minimum setbacks with respect to the side lot. This maintains as much distance from the wetland and its vernal pool as possible. If this lot had been a pristine, undeveloped lot, a permit to build would not have been issued. This lot, however, became a "dumping ground" for yard waste, construction soils, as well as numerous perc testings over the years. After construction, the whole area will be re-vegetated. Protecting the upland area may allow more species to habitat there. Responding to a question from Selectman O'Brien, she stated only low nitrogen fertilizers in the spring are allowed, as well as specific plant species and a retaining wall to prevent erosion.

Lots 61 and 75, Dakin Road – There are two separate restriction areas. The Town Engineer had previously expressed concern that steep sections in the front would erode away, and the rear section is very close to the wetlands. A Conservation Restriction adds buffer area to the 100' buffer and serves as a "red flag" to the potential owner that there is something on the property to which they need to pay attention.

In order to proceed with the meeting agenda, it was agreed to table discussion of this matter until later in the meeting.

Later, during the Town Forum portion of the meeting, discussion reconvened. The Board reviewed the information on the proposed Conservation Restrictions again, in particular the one on Philemon Whale Lane, for the Town Manager's benefit as she was absent at the time this was discussed. Responding to Selectman O'Brien's question, Ms. Valente opined the property is taxed at a lower rate if a Conservation Restriction is applied. Ms. Dineen added that each property is assessed differently based on its developable potential, but opined that, financially, it does not make an appreciable difference.

Selectman O'Brien expressed concern that the Town has given up a lot of money in lieu of Conservation Restrictions, which are difficult to police and keep track of. Ms. Dineen responded that water supply protection and habitat protection are important as well as retaining some open space in Town. One cannot assess the importance from a strictly financial perspective. Mr. Parker Coddington, Conservation Commission, reminded the Board that any development that is blocked means fewer school children in the public school systems. Ms. Dineen stated this particular lot on Philemon Whale Lane was vacant for over twenty years, garnering little income for the Town, and placing a home there has both financial and environmental benefits. Undeveloped lots tend to become dumping grounds for yard waste or things residents don't want to pay to have hauled away. Mr. Ted Pickering, Conservation Commission, stated that, for the Commission, financial aspects are generally not considered as environmental and conservation benefits are uppermost in their jurisdiction. Discussion followed. It was agreed that a philosophical discussion on the general pros and cons of these types of matters would be better placed at an Environmental Summit.

Ms. Dineen reported Town Counsel has reviewed some of the documentation; his review needs to be completed, and minor changes will need to be made to some of the documents.

It was on motion

VOTED: To approve and sign a Conservation Restriction dated October 30, 2003, granted in perpetuity and exclusively for conservation purposes by Eligius Homes Company, Inc., and David P. Sommers and Heidi Hild Sommers as owners of Lot 11 and Parcel D, 20 Thornberry Lane, on approximately 419,308.49 sq. ft. of land on portions of Lots 7, 8, 9, 10, and 11 and Parcels D, E, F, G, and H on Thornberry Lane, as shown on "Plan of Land Sudbury, MA, Prepared for: Eligius Homes Company, 329A Boston Post Road, Sudbury, MA, Prepared by: Thomas Land Surveyors", dated January 16, 2002. (Chairman Roopenian and Selectman Drobinski in favor; Selectman O'Brien opposed.)

It was on motion, subject to approval of the documents by Town Counsel,

VOTED: To approve and sign at a later date a Conservation Restriction dated October 27, 2003, granted in gross and perpetuity by Walker Realty, LLC, on approximately 99,272 sq. ft. of land on two areas of the property at 307 Boston Post Road, shown on "CONSERVATION RESTRICTION PLAN", dated January 22, 2002, last revised May 6, 2003, prepared for Walker Realty, LLC, 2 Lan Drive, Westford, MA 01886, prepared by Landtech Consultants, Inc. (Chairman Roopenian and Selectman Drobinski in favor; Selectman O'Brien opposed.)

It was on motion, subject to approval of the documents by Town Counsel,

VOTED: To approve and sign at a later date a Conservation Restriction dated October 16, 2003, granted in perpetuity and exclusively for conservation purposes by Garrett Construction Co., Inc., on Lot 65, Philomen Whale Lane, as described in the document. (Chairman Roopenian and Selectman Drobinski in favor; Selectman O'Brien opposed.)

It was on motion, subject to approval of the documents by Town Counsel,

VOTED: To approve and sign at a later date a Conservation Restriction dated October 16, 2003, granted in perpetuity and exclusively for conservation purposes by Garrett Construction co., Inc., on Lots 61 and 75, Dakin Road, as described in the document. (Chairman Roopenian and Selectman Drobinski in favor; Selectman O'Brien opposed.)

It was on motion, subject to approval of the documents by Town Counsel,

VOTED: To approve and sign at a later date a Conservation Restriction dated November 7, 2003, granted in perpetuity and exclusively for conservation purposes by Francis J. Vanaria, Trustee of Concord Road Nominee Trust of 724 Concord Road, Sudbury, MA 01776, on portions of Lots 3A and 4A, 802 and 810 Concord Road, as described in the document. (Chairman Roopenian and Selectman Drobinski in favor; Selectman O'Brien opposed.)

**Site Plan #03-372 – Verizon Wireless, Wayside Inn Martha Mary Chapel**

Present: Jody Kablack, Town Planner; Michael S. Giaimo, Robinson & Cole, LLP; John Kiley, Jojo Umali, Jared Robinson; Verizon Wireless; Doug Sheadel, Modeling Specialties; Frederick Pryor, President, Trustees of the Wayside Inn.

At 7:58 p.m. Chairman Roopenian convened a Public Hearing to consider Site Plan Application #03-372 of Verizon Wireless, in accordance with Zoning Bylaw Section 6300, for installation of a wireless communications facility in the Wayside Inn Martha Mary Chapel consisting of replacement of the existing window in the steeple with radio-transparent material, and installation of six panel antennas within the steeple, a GPS antenna on the steeple exterior, equipment in the basement, and an emergency generator and two HVAC compressors on two concrete pads behind the chapel screened by landscaping, on property located at 104 Wayside Inn Road, Town Property Map L02-002, owned by the Wayside Inn Corporation, zoned Wayside Inn Historic Preservation Residential District.

Notice of the Public Hearing was duly posted and advertised in the *Sudbury Town Crier* on October 30 and November 6, 2003. Abutters within 300 feet according to the Assessors were provided written notice by first class mail. The Planning Boards of Acton, Concord, Framingham, Hudson, Lincoln, Marlborough, Maynard, Stow and Wayland were provided notice by first class mail. Additionally, the Sudbury Planning Board and other boards and officials were notified and requested to report to the Selectmen.

The Board is in receipt of the following:

1. Site Plan application dated October 2003, received October 9, 2003, enclosing site plan drawings entitled "Verizon Wireless, 400 Friberg Parkway, Westborough, MA 01581, Proposed Communications Facility, Longfellows Wayside Inn, Wayside Inn Road, Sudbury, MA Middlesex County", comprised of Sheets: T-1 Title Sheet, Z-1 Existing Conditions Plan, Z-2 Radius Plan, Z-3 Site Plan and Enlarged Site Plan, and Z-4 Elevation and Detail Sheet, all dated September 29, 2003 and drawn by Edwards and Kelcey.

Also included in the application is a request for waivers from Site Plan Rules and Regulations requirements, as follows:

- 2.1 Pre-application consultation not held per advice of Town Planner
- 4.1.3 Scale variances
- 4.3 North point omitted from Sheet Z-4
- 5.1 #5 Landscape Plan - plantings shown on Sheet Z-4
- 5.1 #7 Floor Plans - not applicable
- 5.1 #8 Copies of Board of Appeals permits and variances not supplied
- 7.4 Signature blocks not included, but to be added on final plans
- Form SP-1 #15 - Calculations of building coverage and open space not supplied
- Form SP-1 #16 - Traffic impact report not supplied
- Form SP-1 #17 - Drainage calculations not supplied
- Form SP-1 #19 - Parking space calculations not supplied

and waiver of Zoning Bylaw Technical Requirements under Sec. 6370: 1) Sec. 6351 - Open Space and Drainage calculations, 2) Sec. 6352 - Zoning District Boundaries including flood plain, wetlands, and wetlands buffer zones, 3) Sec. 6353 - Landscape Plan, 4) Sec. 6354 - Building Plans and Elevations, 5) Sec. 6355 - Signs.

2. Report from the Building Inspector James F. Kelly, dated October 21, 2003, commenting:

- a) the proposed wireless facility is allowed under Section 4341 of the Zoning Bylaw subject to site plan review.
- b) Section 4363 requires that no wireless facility may be located within 500 feet of a residential lot line. According to the applicant, this condition has been met; however, Sheet Z-2 needs to be amended showing the 500 foot radius.
- c) the site location should be identified by street number and address of 104 Wayside Inn Road.

3. Report from the Town Engineer/DPW Director dated October 15, 2003, recommending approval of the site plan and grant of waiver from Section 17, Drainage Calculations, and stating there will be no significant increase in the amount of impervious material.

4. Report from the Conservation Commission dated October 15, 2003, confirming there are no wetlands located within 100' of the proposed work and recommending use of rhododendrons or mountain laurel for the screening, instead of arborvitae which would be eaten by deer.

5. Draft minutes from the Historic Districts Commission of November 6, 2003, stating:

- a) the Commission was concerned about whether the equipment in the steeple would be visible through the windows, particularly if lighting is used at night;
- b) the Commission proposed moving the generator farther back into the woods away from the stone wall;
- c) the Commission questioned what shrubbery would be best to blend in with the woods and not attract deer;
- d) the hearing was continued to November 20, 2003, and the applicant requested to furnish more specific information concerning the Plexiglas and antennae, the muntins, size of the windows, and ideas for shrubbery.

6. Report dated November 13, 2003, from the Design Review Board recommending that the screening of the generator be accomplished by planting Red Cedar (*Juniperus Virginiana*) and Bayberry (*Myrica Pennsylvanica*) and that measures be taken to ensure there is no change in the appearance of and through the windows, expressing concern with the possibility of seeing the equipment in the steeple.

7. Report from the Town Planner to the Planning Board dated November 4, 2003, including the following comments:
  - a) questioned whether full battery back-up could take the place of the diesel generator, to eliminate the disturbance of weekly testing and likelihood of environmental pollution;
  - b) proposal requires approval from the Historic Districts Commission and a variance from the 500 foot setback to a residential lot line from the Board of Appeals, as well as site plan review;
  - c) the Selectmen should ensure compliance with the facility design guidelines of Zoning Bylaw Section 4360 and require adherence as conditions of approval, including the requirement of a removal bond;
  - d) recommended waiver of requirements for Landscape Plan and Building Elevations.
  
8. Report from the Planning Board dated November 13, 2003, recommending approval with the following conditions:
  - a) final approval contingent upon full review and approval of the diesel fuel tank by the Fire Chief;
  - b) incorporation of any conditions required by the Historic Districts Commission;
  - c) relocation of the generator no less than 20 feet from the stone wall.
  
9. Report from the Health Director dated November 13, 2003, stating that potential noise from the generator could be a problem.
  
10. Report from the Fire Chief dated November 14, 2003, offering no objections, and advising that he has reviewed plans for the generator and the fuel source will be contained in a double walled tank so the chance of a leak is minimal; additionally, Verizon should be reminded that a permit for the storage of the diesel fuel is required from the Fire Department.

Ms. Jody Kablack, Town Planner, briefly reviewed reports received thus far from Town boards and commissions.

Mr. Frederick Pryor, 221 Nobscot Road, and President of the Trustees of the Wayside Inn, stated this lease arrangement was put together in order to garner income for the Wayside Inn campus without harming the historic nature of the premises nor interrupting any activities that take place in the Martha Mary Chapel.

Mr. Michael Giaimo, Robinson & Cole, LLP, representing Verizon, introduced the professionals who worked on this project. Utilizing a large drawing, he briefly described Verizon's revised project for the Martha Mary Chapel. He noted an application to the Zoning Board of Appeals will be considered soon with regard to a setback requirement. He stated an equipment room will be installed in the chapel basement, a generator placed in the woods and the actual antenna placed in the chapel steeple. Changed from the original application, there will be only three antennas embedded in wooden panels of the steeple exterior, the panels to be re-constructed to be identical in appearance to those presently on the steeple. All glass panels (windows) will remain untouched. The HVAC compressors will be placed in an enclosure at the rear of the building. He stated they will use whatever vegetative screening the Board prefers.

Mr. Giaimo stated new technology allows a set of three antenna instead of six and still achieving the coverage desired. It also eliminates the chance the antenna will be visible from the outside. At night, when the chapel lights are on, no antenna will be seen.

Mr. Doug Sheadel, Modeling Specialties, spoke briefly about noise levels with respect to the abutting residences. He stated the nearest residence is 500 feet from the equipment. He stated the condensers will not be a noise issue, given the distance from the nearest home. The resulting sound level is about 48 decibels, about the same as the daytime ambient in this area, or ordinary daytime noise level. He

stated most automobiles operate at 70 decibels, which is louder than the sound level of the generator. The generator will operate one hour per week to test the system, and can be set for any time the Town desires so as not to be intrusive, i.e., a typically noisy time like morning commute. It is designed to come on during excessive usage times or during a power outage and would run for periods of time as needed in order to keep the communication equipment functioning.

Responding to a question from Chairman Roopenian, Mr. Sheadel stated he monitored the area of the generator, as well as near Prides Crossing Road, for 20 minutes to get a baseline reading. He stated the waterfall at the Grist Mill was 73 decibels at a distance of 23 feet. A lawn mower being used on the lawn of the Martha Mary Chapel was substantially louder than the generator will be.

Responding to a question from Selectman Roopenian, Mr. Sheadel stated he used calculation formulas to arrive at the approximate level of 48 decibels, though he did not measure from the property line. He opined the generator's muffler to be at the same noise level as a pickup truck engine.

Mr. JoJo Umali, Edwards and Kelsey, stated the generator is attached directly to a belly tank for the fuel and cannot be sunk into the ground to decrease the noise.

Using coverage maps, Mr. Jared Robinson, RF Engineer, Verizon Wireless, pointed out the present and expected coverage for Verizon Wireless equipment. He opined the new antenna at the Martha Mary Chapel will improve coverage for west Sudbury, eastern Marlborough and adjacent areas.

With regard to vegetative screening, Mr. Giaimo stated the generator is a free-standing unit and fencing was not proposed. Vegetative screening will disguise the generator more than a fence. He stated fencing would neither amplify nor decrease noise level.

Responding to a question from Selectman O'Brien, Mr. Giaimo stated there will be no room for additional antenna to be installed, meaning no additional carriers. If the actual steeple were replaced with a fiberglass one [allowing space], additional carriers could be accommodated.

Selectman Drobinski asked if there was a bond guaranteeing removal of equipment at the end of the lease. Mr. Giaimo stated equipment removal is included in the lease agreement.

Selectman O'Brien asked if public safety communication equipment could be installed in conjunction with the equipment. Mr. Umali responded it could be added if necessary, as long as it did not interfere with the operation of the wireless communication equipment. Town Manager Valente stated she would check with the Police and Fire Department to see if there was a need.

Mr. Pryor stated Verizon was the only carrier who developed a project to install equipment in the steeple rather than a free-standing monopole.

Chairman Roopenian asked about a variance for the 500' setback (the plan is short 52'). Mr. Sheadel stated the original measurements listed in the plans were incorrect, which was brought to their attention by the Building Inspector.

In addition to meeting with the Zoning Board of Appeals and complying with Historic District Commission recommendations, Mr. Sheadel stated a permit will be required from the Fire Chief upon installation of the generator.

With respect to a cedar fencing around the generator, Mr. Giaimo stated it would be no problem. He noted, however, the generator will be behind a stone wall in a very wooded area. He opined fencing would be more visible than vegetative screening. Visibility is particularly important when people are traveling up the driveway. Mr. Umali stated the generator is 6 – 7' high, visible above the stone wall. It was agreed the applicant, Trustees for the Wayside Inn and the Historic Districts Commission would work out the fencing vs. vegetation question. It was suggested that a fence could be painted/stained to match that of existing sheds in the area.

After discussion, it was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To instruct the Town Manager to direct Town staff to prepare a Draft Decision incorporating the Board's comments this evening, for review on December 2, 2003 at a time to be determined.

### **Town Forum**

At 8:45 p.m. Chairman Roopenian convened Town Forum, during which reports from the Park and Recreation Commission and Conservation Commission were presented.

### **Park and Recreation Commission**

Mr. Dennis Mannone, Director, Park and Recreation Department, and Mr. Paul Griffin, Park and Recreation Commission, updated the Board on activities within the Recreation Department. Mr. Mannone stated a field RFP has been completed, and a firm will be chosen to implement a field master plan. This will assess all the fields, their condition and care, funding of maintenance and new fields, user groups, etc., from both short- and long-term perspectives. There are 444 memberships at the Fairbank Pool, generating much needed revenue. Repairs have been made such as pool heater, painted locker rooms, new grab bars in showers, acoustic ceilings in the hallways, new pool filtration, overhead lights, to name a few. Other than swimming, there are many active recreation programs including archery, photography and preschool programs.

Mr. Mannone stated trips for all ages are being offered, including a holiday shopping trip to New York and trips to Celtics games. These have proved to be very popular as a second bus to New York is being contracted.

It was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To accept the 2003 Land Management Report, dated November 18, 2003, from the Park and Recreation Commission.

### **Conservation Commission**

Deborah Dineen, Conservation Coordinator, Ted Pickering and Parker Coddington presented the Conservation Commission report for Town Forum. Ms. Dineen briefly discussed deer hunting, a Planning Board-sponsored Environmental Summit, restoration of horseback riding trails and possible winter walks.

It was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To accept the 2003 Land Management Report, dated November 13, 2003, from the Conservation Commission.

### **Rice Road Land Donation**

Regarding a possible gift of land to the Town, Ms. Dineen briefly described the parcel on Rice Road, presently owned by John McGarry, Jr. of Saunderstown, Rhode Island. She distributed sketches to the Board for their use. It is a triangular vacant lot of 30,928 sq. ft., a portion of the island between former Piper land and Old Sudbury Road, designated as H-10-015, just south of the Fieldstone Development on Rice Road. The Director of Assessing reports it is not considered developable, and its best use is to become contiguous with the abutting parcel. She reported the DPW is already mowing the abutting area, and it would be little additional work to add this portion. She stated the land is being offered for conservation purposes only and not for development. She stated there are outstanding property taxes and that Town Counsel has not yet reviewed the pertinent documents. There are otherwise no costs to the Town involved in this gift.

Selectman O'Brien asked if the lot is grandfathered for building purposes. Ms. Dineen responded it is buildable from a zoning standpoint, and that septic is approved. The owner had previously thought he might build a home and retire here. If the Town does not accept the land for conservation, the owner will most likely approach a builder. Ms. Dineen pointed out this parcel is part of an existing vista for people entering Sudbury, keeping a pristine area intact.

Town Manager Valente confirmed that taxes owed are \$884.64 for FY2003 and \$1,659.57 for FY2004, including interest on unpaid amounts. She advised the Board take no action tonight and allow time for Town Counsel to review all documentation. Ms. Dineen opined that the owner would like to take care of this during 2003, for tax purposes.

Selectman O'Brien asked if the Conservation designation could be lifted from the owner's requirements, and allow the Town to make the decision on how the land is to be used. Ms. Dineen opined the Master Plan was fairly clear on keeping this area undeveloped, but offered to discuss it with Mr. McGarry. Selectman Drobinski stated his preference for keeping it designated as conservation. Chairman Roopenian asked whether Mr. McGarry would be willing to pay half the back taxes owed.

It was agreed to get recommendations from Town staff as well as review from Town Counsel. Ms. Dineen will discuss the Board's questions with the owner and report back to the Board.

Reports ended at 9:45 p.m. Refreshments were served.

### **Minutes**

It was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To approve the minutes of the regular and executive sessions of October 28, 20003, and the regular session of November 4, 2003.

### **Community Policing Grant**

It was on motion unanimously



VOTED: To accept a grant in the amount of \$16,000 from the Executive Office of Public Safety to the Police Dept. under the FY03 Community Policing Grant Program and to be expended under the direction of the Police Chief.

**Federal Emergency Management Agency**

It was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To accept a grant in the amount of \$50,915.52 from the Federal Emergency Management Agency as reimbursement of expenses relative to the February 2003 snowstorm.

**State Automated External Defibrillator Grant**

It was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To accept two defibrillators from the Executive Office of Public Safety, in partnership with the Mass. Dept. of Public Health Office of Emergency Services and the American Heart Association, under the State's Automated External Defibrillator Grant Program.

**Community Preservation Act Projects**

Present: Steven Swanger, Sudbury Housing Authority; Jim Hill, Sudbury Historical Commission.

Scattered Housing Technical Assistance (\$20,000) – Steven Swanger, Sudbury Housing Authority, briefly stated the \$20,000 the SHA requested from CPA Funds would be used for technical assistance in determining buildability on Town properties for scattered affordable housing. The housing project itself was approved at Town Meeting; this funding is for pre-project expenses, requested out of the \$45,000 appropriation for administrative monies.

It was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To support the request of \$20,000 of the Sudbury Housing Authority for technical assistance in determining viability of selected sites for scattered affordable housing, and if not deemed acceptable for CPA administrative monies, to support the development of a Town Meeting article to that end.

Revolutionary War Cemetery Restoration – Jim Hill, Sudbury Historical Commission, briefly described the restoration work necessary on old gravestones in the Revolutionary War Cemetery. He showed an example of the deterioration of gravestones just from weathering. He stated the request for \$172,350 includes a plan for maintaining the cemetery after restoration. Responding to a question from Selectman O'Brien, he stated the stones would not be re-etched. Town Manager Valente, a co-applicant of the funds request, stated the project would go out to bid, and noted additional expenses could be incurred, depending on what is found after excavation has begun. This cemetery is a critical link in the Town Center as a historical resource.

It was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To support the Sudbury Historical Commission/Town Manager's request of \$172,350 of CPA Funds for the restoration of the Revolutionary War Cemetery.

Walkway Construction – Town Manager Valente, co-applicant on this request, stated that changing desires of Town residents in wanting to walk through their neighborhoods, increases the need for walkway construction in Town. She said the \$100,000 is based on the cost of walkway construction by the DPW crews, which is much less expensive than bidding the projects out. Ms. Valente read two letters from residents, supporting the need for more walkways for weight loss and physical fitness activities, plus safety of those pedestrians. The other applicants on this project are the DPW Director and the Town Planner.

It was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To support the Town Manager's request for \$100,000 of CPA Funds toward the construction of additional walkways in the Town of Sudbury.

### **House Bill 1533 – Computer Take Back**

Town Manager Valente stated the transfer station presently collects computer equipment at a cost of approximately \$6,000 annually. She reported the equipment is considered hazardous waste and must be disposed of properly. The purpose of this legislation is to put the burden of disposal on the manufacturers, not the consumer.

It was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To support H-1533 – Computers and Hazardous Waste, which specifies manufacturers of hazardous electronic equipment should bear the cost of equipment disposal.

### **Bowker Neighborhood Halloween Party Donation**

It was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To accept, on behalf of the Fire Department, a donation in the amount of \$75.00 from the Bowker Neighborhood for participation in their annual Halloween parade [fire truck], and to deposit the funds in the Fire Department Gift Account to be expended under the direction of the Fire Chief.

### **Town Report**

Town Manager Valente asked the Board to submit any items for possible inclusion in the Town Report by Thanksgiving. She stated the Town Manager and Board of Selectmen Goals will be included, but wanted to include any other items the Board considers important.

### **Police Chief Retirement – Press Release**

Town Manager Valente read a press release prepared by the Assistant Town Manager, announcing the retirement of Police Chief Peter Lembo and listing his many accomplishments during his years of service. The Town has begun the interview process for his replacement.

### **Sky Restaurant – One-Hour Extension of Liquor License**

It was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To approve a one-hour extension of the Liquor License for Let's Eat, Inc., d/b/a Sky Restaurant, 120 Boston Post Road, on Wednesday, November 26, 2003, making the closing time 1:00 a.m. on Thursday, November 27, 2003.

**Reimbursement Grant – Executive Office of Public Safety**

It was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To accept, on behalf of the Fire Department, a Federal All Hazards Emergency Operations Planning Grant in the amount of \$4,300 from the Executive Office of Public Safety.

**Closing Remarks**

Chairman Roopenian thanked residents for their participation in the HOPEsudbury telethon on November 15, which raised over \$28,000.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:40 p.m.

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Maureen G. Valente  
Town Manager-Clerk