

IN BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MONDAY, MARCH 10, 1975

Present: Chairman John C. Powers, John E. Taft, and William F. Toomey

The statutory requirements as to notice having been complied with, the meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Chairman John C. Powers.

Minutes

It was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To approve the minutes of the regular and executive session of March 3, 1975, as corrected, and the special meeting of March 5, 1975, as submitted.

Flag Presentation

Present: Mrs. Marie Taylor, Leader of Cadette Girl Scout Troop 958, Mesdames Elizabeth Olsen, Barbara Bitters, and Janice Erskine, chaperones, and members of Cadette Girl Scout Troop 958.

On December 2, 1974, Mrs. Taylor appeared before the Board, requesting that she and members of Cadette Girl Scout Troop 958 hand-carry an invitation to President and Mrs. Gerald Ford to attend Sudbury's Bicentennial celebration, during a proposed February visit to Washington D.C. with members of her Girl Scout troop.

The Board, at that time, advised Mrs. Taylor that it had earlier extended a similar invitation to President and Mrs. Ford, but granted her request in connection with a follow-up letter of invitation.

Mrs. Taylor also informed the Board, at that time, that she would request that a flag, previously flown over the Capitol, be given to her Troop, which she, in turn, would present to the Board.

Mrs. Taylor, on behalf of Troop 958, now presented the Selectmen with the flag which was flown over the Capitol on February 20, 1975, and explained that it had been jointly donated by Congressman Drinan and the girls.

Chairman Powers expressed the Board's appreciation for the gift.

Industrial Development Commission - Reorganization - Article 33 - Abandonment of a Portion of Codjer Lane

Present: Leon Zola, Joseph Brown, Kenneth Ritchie, and Arthur Babigian of the Industrial Development Commission; Donald Bishop and Anthony Galeota of the Highway Commission

Members of the Industrial Development Commission met with the Board for the purpose of discussion relative to that Commission's reorganization, and discussion with a representative of the Highway Commission on Article 33 of the 1975 Annual Town Meeting - abandonment of a portion of Codjer Lane.

Mr. Zola reported that the Industrial Development Commission has not held a meeting since the death of its former chairman, Martin Doyle, and suggested that the Selectmen appoint a chairman.

The Board, in turn, suggested that the Commission members caucus, later in the evening, on the matter and report recommendations back to the Selectmen.

Discussion followed relative to the continued existence of the Industrial Development Commission as a body and the possible duplication of its functions by the Business Advisory Committee and Chairman Powers requested that the Commission review its charge, to make a determination as to whether or not it should be continued, and if so determined, to make recommendations for an optimum number of Commission members.

Selectman Toomey requested that the Executive Secretary research a request by former member Ralph Hawes to again be appointed to the Commission if it were reactivated.

Selectman Toomey commented that interest has recently been shown by industry looking for contact with an impartial board such as the Industrial Development Commission.

Selectman Taft stated that in his opinion the Commission could help to organize the development of the area zoned for an Industrial Park.

Discussion followed relating to Article 33 - discontinuance of Codjer Lane as a public way, which is proposed by the Highway Commission, and Selectman Taft requested that copies of the Highway Commission's minutes of the meeting relating to the inclusion of Article 33 in the Warrant be forwarded to the Board for their information.

Mr. Bishop stated that the Commission's main thought when discussing the proposed article was that by abandoning Codjer Lane, the cost of its development as the access road to the Industrial Park District would be assumed by the incoming industry rather than by the Town as discussed at the creation of the District. Mr. Bishop stated that he has reviewed the 1969 Town Meeting Proceedings, which do not include a record of discussion of the Town's legal obligation in this matter, but, in his opinion, the subject was a part of the discussion under the article. Mr. Bishop stated that also considered at that meeting was the straightening of this portion of Codjer Lane and the corresponding realignment of the Cavicchio land.

Selectman Taft referred to the Highway Commission's report on Article 33 relating to the comments on the Town's legal obligation, should the Industrial Park District be developed, to bring the road to a standard that will accommodate industrial type traffic, a price estimated in 1972 to be \$280,000, and asked whether the Commission had discussed such an obligation with Town Counsel.

Town Counsel stated that, in his opinion, the only legal obligation of the Town relating to the maintenance of the road is that it be maintained as a proper public way -- to see to it that the road is safe and convenient for travellers at all times of the year. Town Counsel stated that there is no obligation to build or realign the present road to greater use, and, if the way were discontinued, it would revert to the property owners on both sides of the road.

Selectmen Toomey commented that he had noticed, last Fall, that the Highway Commission had paved a whole section of Codjer Lane and asked why that action had been taken and then followed by a request for abandonment.

Mr. Bishop stated that he was not aware that the road had been paved.

Chairman Powers suggested that this article might be a device by which the Highway Commission is testing to see if the Town still feels that this area should be considered for industrial development and commented that once the access road has been abandoned, injury to the development possibility of this land will have been done.

Mr. Bishop stated that he did not quite agree that Codjer Lane is the only access road.

Mr. Ritchie stated that several years ago, the Commission looked at that industrial property and discussed its inaccessibility because of the inadequate road and the possibility that an entrance south of Codjer Lane could be made which would not necessitate a bridge was mentioned.

Mr. Brown stated that the elimination of Codjer Lane would leave property owners in the area no means of access to their property.

Chairman Powers then read the Finance Committee report accompanying Article 33, and it was clarified that the Finance Committee's position ("The Finance Committee understands from the Highway Commission that discontinuance of this street as a public way does not relieve the Town of the obligation to maintain the road as required by law.") was based on information from the Highway Commission rather than Town Counsel.

Town Counsel stated that he would challenge the Finance Committee's statement, and Chairman Powers requested that Town Counsel prepare an opinion on this point.

Mr. Bishop requested that Town Counsel's opinion include the matters of plowing and maintenance.

Mr. Zola stated that he and other Commission members were tonight speaking as individual members, as the Commission has not recently met, but that it was his opinion that the Town should get the Industrial Park "off the ground" and that the Town needed the existing access to that area.

Selectman Taft stated that at the 1969 Annual Town Meeting there had been discussion to the effect that any incoming developer would most likely negotiate an agreement which would include a wider taking and, possibly, a divided road and that the important thing is that there is some access to the area in the first place. Selectman Taft also stated that he is of the opinion that a single landowner, in the case of the road's abandonment, should not be in control of the development of other peoples' land.

In response to Chairman Powers' question, Town Counsel stated that discontinuance of the westerly portion of Codjer Lane could be accomplished with a simple majority vote, although a two-thirds majority was necessary to rezone this formerly residential land to an Industrial Park District.

There followed discussion of past interest shown in the land, and Mr. Zola reported that he had been recently contacted by the State Department of Commerce and Development regarding the possible location of a light industry in the Park.

Mr. Bishop stated that, in his opinion, it is far better to discuss the question of obligation for road building costs well in advance of interested buyers.

Chairman Powers thanked the members of the Industrial Development Commission and the Highway Commission for their appearance tonight and again requested that the Industrial Development Commission reorganize.

Selectman Taft stated that it was his hope that the Industrial Development Commission would speak at the Annual Town Meeting on the subject of the impact of Article 33, and Chairman Powers requested that anyone having any problems on particular aspects of the Article to seek Town Counsel's help.

Amendment to Gun Law

On the subject of the necessity of obtaining a firearms identification card for persons carrying antique weapons as defined in G.L. Ch. 140 § 10, Chairman Powers stated that in recent discussion with Senator Atkins, he had indicated that if the Selectmen would forward to his office a draft amendment to the "gun law", he would review it with the Massachusetts Bicentennial Commission and the need for official licenses to allow the minutemen to carry replica or antique fire arms on April 19 might be eliminated.

Town Counsel referred to a memorandum, dated March 3, as prepared by Assistant Town Counsel, under his approval, which set forth such an amendment.

Following discussion, it was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To petition Senator Atkins to take the above-referenced proposed amendment to the Massachusetts Bicentennial Commission with the request that they sponsor legislation for this purpose;

and it was further

VOTED: To send a copy of the proposed amendment to Representatives Gannett and Coughlin.

Hughes and MacCarthy - Outstanding Bill

The Board, at its meeting on March 3, 1975, voted to accept Town Counsel's interim report dated February 28, 1975, on the subject of the validity of an outstanding bill from Hughes and MacCarthy and to refer it back to him with the request that he and the Town Accountant further review the records in this regard. The Board, at that time, also voted to forward a copy of Town Counsel's February 28 report to the Permanent Building Committee.

Town Counsel now stated that he and the Town Accountant had reviewed the basic contract, which had not authorized additional payments and that a copy of his February 28 report had been forwarded to the Permanent Building Committee, but a response had not yet been received. Town Counsel stated that he, therefore, did not see any justification for additional payment and that it was his recommendation that the Board not release the voucher.

Chairman Powers stated that, in his opinion, the item set forth in the transfer request dealing with the civil defense operation center was, in fact, included in the initial contract arrangement with the architect and that this item was always a part of the program and not an extra.

Town Counsel stated that in his communication to the Permanent Building Committee, he had asked for information regarding the civil defense operation center.

Selectman Taft stated that the program was based on a project cost estimate of \$520,000 and that this figure should be used to correctly calculate the basic fee, percentage entitlement, and amount due figures on page 2 of Town Counsel's February 28 letter.

Town Counsel was requested to meet with the Town Accountant and the Permanent Building Committee to resolve the above-mentioned matters.

State Appellate Tax Board - Boston Equalized Evaluation Tax Case

Town Counsel reported that the State Appellate Tax Board had reduced the equalized valuation of Boston from \$4.6 billion to \$2.6 billion, stating that this reduction is significant, as the total equalized valuation for the entire Commonwealth, following said reduction was \$54 billion. Town Counsel stated that this total figure determines the apportionment of State funds and that due to its reduction, Sudbury will receive reduced funds.

Town Counsel further reported that there is presently a case in Supreme Judicial Court where seven cities have attacked that decision of the Appellate Tax Board and that he is of the opinion that Sudbury should perhaps also commence action to challenge the distribution formula if that formula is based on Boston's reduced evaluation.

Town Counsel stated that it was his recommendation that the Town request a declaratory judgment in Federal District Court and stated that if Sudbury were to take such action, the Town would be joined by at least one other community.

Selectman Taft stated that reduction of Boston's evaluation means the loss of \$35,000 - \$40,000 in school aid for Sudbury for each of the next two years and that, in his opinion, this figure is large enough to warrant the Town's action. Selectman Taft commented that the recent decision of the Supreme Judicial Court on the subject of full and fair valuation indicates the Court's opinion on the subject and that he is in favor of Sudbury's and other interested communities' proceeding to take some action in this matter before the equalized valuations are finalized and Sudbury's school aid is affected. Selectman Taft further stated that this formula also affects lottery and county assessment benefits, although to a lesser degree.

In response to Selectman Toomey's question, Town Counsel estimated suit cost between \$3,000 - \$4,000 and that, as there is at least one other community who will join, these estimates would be halved.

Chairman Powers stated that if Boston's successful appeal to the State Appellate Tax Board for the purpose of getting a \$2 billion "write-off" is ignored, it will be repeated and that he is strongly of the opinion that the Town should take action.

Following further discussion, it was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To authorize Town Counsel to proceed at once with litigation relative to the decision of the State Appellate Tax Board in the Boston equalized valuation case with a view to establishing the equalized valuation distribution formula so that Sudbury and the other 350 cities and towns of the Commonwealth will receive fair and equalized State aid.

H.1809 - Taxation

Chairman Powers reported that on March 4, the Selectmen attended the hearing of H.1809 before the Committee on Taxation and stated that this bill, which is supported by the Mayors' Association, the Massachusetts League of Cities and Towns, the Massachusetts Selectmen's Association, the Massachusetts Teachers' Association, the School Committee Association, the Massachusetts Executive Secretaries' and Town Managers' Association, and Commissioner Anrig, is one of several in an effort to increase State aid by shifting the impact on the real property tax base from 52% of all the taxes collected in the Commonwealth back to 40%.

Chairman Powers stated that Selectman Taft had very ably represented the Massachusetts Selectmen's Association at the hearing.

National Flood Insurance Program

Chairman Powers reported that the League of Women Voters has scheduled a meeting on the subject of the National Flood Insurance Program for March 18, in the Lower Town Hall at 7:30 p.m.

The Board suggested that Mr. Thomas of the Department of Housing and Urban Development be invited to the League's meeting.

The Executive Secretary reported that a list, by addresses, of all people in the flood zoning area is being prepared and that the League will make a mailing.

Town Counsel stated that he will have a memorandum on the subject available for the hearing.

Warrant - 1975 Annual Town Meeting

The Board signed the Warrant for the 1975 Annual Town Meeting, and the Executive Secretary announced that Article 5 - Employee Benefits, will be withdrawn unless something is done between now and Town Meeting in the way of completing 1975-76 collective bargaining negotiations and that the Selectmen have already withdrawn Article 9 Assume Liability for DPW Work, Article 12 - Purchase Accounting Machine, and Article 45 - Fire/Police Headquarters Planning Funds.

Petition - Old Lancaster Road

Present: Col. Paul Leahy, Dr. David Hapgood, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace MacGregor, David Clapp, and approximately twelve other residents of Old Lancaster Road

The Executive Secretary stated that the Board had received on January 20 a petition from residents of Old Lancaster Road to make that portion which lies between Concord and Peakham Roads a one-way street with the traffic flowing in a westerly direction.

The Executive Secretary reported that on that date the Board voted to refer the petition to the Planning Board, the Police Chief, the Fire Chief, the Sudbury School Department, the Engineering Department, and the Highway Commission for their recommendations and comments, with the request that they respond on the matter within a month.

Mr. Thompson stated that reports had been received from these departments and that all had recommended against the petition.

Chairman Powers presented several copies of the departmental reports to the petitioners with the request that the reports be reviewed and the petitioners respond to the same.

Mrs. Wallace MacGregor, 252 Old Lancaster Road, spoke in support of the petition, stating that the biggest problem is caused by the Highway Department trucks and asked whether or not an alternate route for them could be found using the old abandoned section of Codjer Lane from Horse Pond Road. Mrs. MacGregor also commented on the increased amount of traffic over Old Lancaster Road following the installation of the traffic lights in Sudbury Centre.

Mr. David Clapp, 219 Old Lancaster Road, asked for the status of the widening of this portion of the road and was told that it could not be done before the 1976 Annual Town Meeting unless a special Town Meeting were called.

Selectman Toomey suggested that a representative of each Town department be in attendance when the petitioners again meet with the Board, and Chairman Powers requested that Colonel Leahy inform the Executive Secretary following the petitioners' review of the departmental recommendations, in order that a second meeting can be scheduled.

Sale of Alcoholic Beverages on Election Day, March 31, 1975

It was on motion unanimously

VOTED: In accordance with the amendment to G.L. Chapter 138, Section 33, Package Goods Stores, licensed under Section 15, may remain open on Election Day, March 31, 1975.

Auxiliary Police Officers - Reconsideration of Vote

Present: Edward Murphy, John Silva, and approximately eight other members of the Sudbury Police Auxiliary

It was on motion unanimsly

VOTED: To reconsider the motion relative to the arming of the Sudbury Police Auxiliary which was voted at the Board's regular meeting of February 24, 1975.

Selectman Taft stated that at the time of the Board's consideration of Town Counsel's proposed motion relating to arming the Sudbury Auxiliary Police, it was his understanding that the Auxiliary Police would only be armed in accordance with Chapter 33, Section 11-13, and that issues such as traffic duty, parade duty, control of spectators, public assemblies, or training activities would not be applicable.

Selectman Taft stated that his vote on the matter was based on a question of interpretation and that he has since proposed an amendment to the Auxiliary Police motion voted on February 24, as follows:

"This authorization does not apply to Auxiliary Police assigned to direct traffic, control parade spectators or public assemblies, or to accompany Regular Police on training assignments, unless an emergency situation as specified in Chapter 33, App., Section 13-11, of the General Laws has been declared."

Selectman Toomey stated that he was in disagreement with Selectman Taft, as to interpretation of the February 24 vote and that the earlier motion is still acceptable to him, but for the purposes of procedure would second Selectman Taft's amendment.

Chairman Powers also stated that his interpretation of the earlier motion had not changed.

The motion for Selectman Taft's amendment was defeated on a 2 - 1 vote (Selectman Taft voted in favor; Chairman Powers and Selectman Toomey opposed).

It was on motion

VOTED: That the Chief of Police be and hereby is authorized to use Auxiliary Police to perform such of the powers and duties of police officers, in Sudbury, as may be prescribed by the Chief of Police; provided, that said powers or duties shall not be exercised or performed by them except while they are on active duty and displaying an authorized badge or other insignia after being called to such duty by the Chief of Police to meet a situation which, in his opinion, cannot be adequately handled by the regular police force; and while performing such duties, he may, by a written authorization noted in the police log, authorize an Auxiliary Police Officer to carry arms, provided that each Auxiliary Police Officer authorized to carry arms has been properly licensed to carry the authorized weapon, has been properly trained in the care and use of that weapon, has demonstrated reasonable proficiency in the care and use of that weapon and has a duty assignment that, in the opinion of the Chief of Police, is hazardous and warrants the carrying of a weapon.

(Chairman Powers and Selectman Toomey voted in favor; Selectman Taft opposed.)

1975 Annual Town Meeting - Planning Board Articles

Present: Eben Stevens and Jane Gillespie of the Planning Board; John Hennessy of the Finance Committee

Members of the Planning Board met with the Selectmen to discuss the following Planning Board articles:

Article 14 - Amend Bylaws - Board of Appeals - Sale of Farm Products - Mr. Stevens stated that Section A of Article 14 would clarify the duties of the Board of Appeals in regard to zoning appeals and would delete any reference to Building Code Appeals, which are to be handled under the new State Building Code.

Mr. Stevens stated that the intent of Section B of Article 14 would be to eliminate, because of a recent Supreme Court ruling, the possibility of stores such as Cumberland Farms or Honey Farms from locating in residential areas within the Town, and that the Planning Board had proposed an amendment to the existing bylaw which would further define farm stands by providing that the sale of farm products shall be limited to the sale of farm products produced on the premises.

The Selectmen pointed out that this proposed amendment would disallow the existing nurseries, and the Planning Board was asked to further resolve the definition of farm stands.

Article 15 - Amend Bylaw - Limited Business District #6;

Article 16 - Amend Bylaw - Industrial District #6;

Article 17 - Amend Bylaw - Business District #6;

Article 18 - Amend Bylaw - Business District #7;

Article 19 - Amend Bylaw - Residential Zone C2;

Article 20 - Amend Bylaws - Residence Districts, Swimming Pools;

Article 21 - Amend Bylaws - Corrections and Clarifications - Mr. Stevens reported that the above articles were involved only with technical matters and clarification of descriptions.

Article 22 - Amend Bylaw - Delete Sudbury Building Code - The Executive Secretary read the Planning Board's report under Article 22, which stated that passage of the article would delete reference to the Sudbury Building Code, as the adoption of a State Building Code by the State Legislature supersedes all local codes. Discussion followed relative to the possibility of a challenge to the State Building Code and that Code's being found invalid, which would leave the Town without any building code, and it was agreed that in such a situation, a Special Town Meeting could be called.

Article 23 - Create Open Space Districts - Comment was made that inclusion in such a designation should be the voluntary decision of individual landowners.

Article 24 - Addition to Flood Plain Use Provisions - The Executive Secretary stated that the Selectmen have taken a position in favor of this article, which the Conservation Commission had submitted for inclusion in the October 29, 1974 Special Town Meeting, but had delayed bringing it before the Town until the 1975 Annual Town Meeting at the request of the Selectmen.

Article 37 - Fairbank School Walkways;

Article 38 - Curtis Junior High School Walkways;

Article 39 - Haynes School Walkways;

Article 40 - Sudbury Centre Walkways - The Executive Secretary reported that the Finance Committee has recommended disapproval of all walkway articles and that the Selectmen have not as yet taken a position.

Mr. Hennessy stated that the Finance Committee wishes to see an updated plan of the walkway program, which will reflect the current financial impact with inflated prices, as well as an indication of the reduced cost of bussing.

The Executive Secretary recommended that the Selectmen withhold any position on the walkway articles until the printing of the warrant.

Mr. Stevens reported that the Planning Board's presentation of the walkway articles at Town Meeting will include the presentation of the original 1969 walkway program as well as its current status.

Selectman Toomey requested that the Executive Secretary ask the Sudbury School Committee how many busses will be saved if the walkway program is continued so that the Board may determine its position on the articles, and Mr. Stevens stated that the figure could be determined by Planning Board consultants Tiliakos and Morgan and Charles Sullivan, Business Manager of the Sudbury School Department.

Article 26 - Join National Flood Insurance Program - Mr. Stevens reported that the Planning Board will appeal the maps issued by the Department of Housing and Urban Development which designate flood hazard boundaries within the Town.

The Board requested that appeals and all other matters concerning the national flood insurance program be channelled through Town Counsel. Town Counsel stated that he will prepare a memorandum with his recommendations for Selectmen's action.

Reserve Fund Transfer Requests

Present: Fire Chief Josiah Frost and Town Accountant John Wilson

#0620 - Fire Overtime - The Executive Secretary stated that a reserve fund transfer request to the Fire Overtime account had been reworked by Chief Frost several times and that the Chief should be commended for his efforts in revising the manning of his department to greatly reduce his remaining 1974-75 expenses.

Selectman Taft stated that, in his opinion, the Chief has done an outstanding job of planning for his remaining expenditures, and it was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To approve a request for a Reserve Fund Transfer (#0620) in the amount of \$10,637.48 from the Reserve Fund to Account #310-12 - Fire Department Overtime to cover the cost of overtime coverage for the period ending June 30, 1975.

#0621 - Accounting - Travel - The Executive Secretary explained that any Town official not having an official Town vehicle, when requested to travel in a personal car on business, is asked to submit slips providing for reimbursement.

Following discussion, it was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To approve a request for a transfer (#0621) in the amount of \$225.00 from the Reserve Fund to Account 521-41, Accounting - Travel, to cover expenses for necessary traveling and meetings required of the office of Town Accountant.

Chairman Powers requested that departmental reimbursement slips be submitted at the time of travel, and the Executive Secretary stated that he had already made this request.

#0544 - Revolutionary War Bicentennial Committee - The Executive Secretary, on behalf of the Revolutionary War Bicentennial Committee, presented a plan to provide local bus shuttle service from the Town of Sudbury to the Concord line for the April 19 celebration. It was estimated that the hourly capacity of the busses could transport 1400 persons per hour.

Discussion followed relative to the possibility of using existing bicentennial accounts and if this were not possible to trim the program to reflect the returned April 19 weekend questionnaires.

Following further discussion, it was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To support the Revolutionary War Bicentennial Committee's request for a transfer to provide funds to operate a shuttle bus service on April 19th for local residents attending the Concord Bicentennial Celebration.

April 19, 1975 - Minutemen

Chairman Powers announced that a meeting has been held with Concord, whose chairman of the general committee decided that the Sudbury Minutemen could march to Concord on April 19, a reversal of an earlier sub-committee decision.

Chairman Powers stated that Concord has requested that Sudbury provide police protection for the Minutemen to cross Route 2.

Sudbury Housing Authority

The Board received a communication, dated March 3, 1975, which informed the Board that on February 18, 1975, the Department of Community Affairs had given its final approval to the plans and specifications for the elderly housing project in Sudbury and that the project had been let for bid.

The Board agreed to review the above-referenced plans and specifications, following which, a meeting with the Sudbury Housing Authority may be scheduled.

Town Common - Pillory

The Board received a communication dated February 12, 1975, from Betty Ann Kopp, 69 Butler Road, relative to the pillory that once stood on the Town Common.

Discussion followed with regard to a vote taken several years ago concerning prohibition of displays on the Town Common.

Following further discussion, it was on motion.

VOTED: That the Board not rescind their January 21, 1971 vote on the matter of prohibiting displays on the Town Common.

(Selectmen Taft and Toomey voted in favor; Chairman Powers opposed.)

Middlesex County Advisory Board

Chairman Powers announced that the Middlesex County Advisory Board will hold the Middlesex County budget hearing on March 20 at the Concord Court House.

House Bills 2675 and 1871 - Middlesex County Advisory Board

The Board received a communication dated March 1, 1975 from Representative Genevra R. Counihan relative to her intent to support H.2675 and H.1871, bills which would transfer the power to approve each county budget from the State Legislature to the County Advisory Boards.

Following discussion, it was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To support House Bills 2675 and 1871 and to so inform Representative Counihan.

Haynes Garrison House Site

Following discussion, it was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To authorize Chairman Powers to sign the Request for Grant-In-Aid '76 from the Massachusetts Historical Commission, under the National Park Service Historic Preservation Grants Program, relative to the acquisition of the Haynes Garrison House site on Water Row.

Sudbury Housing Authority - Vacancy

The Board received a communication dated February 28, 1975, from William Flynn, Secretary to the Department of Community Affairs, requesting the submittal of nominations for appointment to the vacancy on the Sudbury Housing Authority occasioned by the resignation of Reverend Richard B. Faxon.

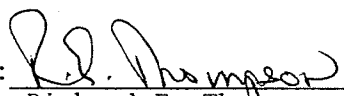
At the request of the Executive Secretary, it was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To authorize the Executive Secretary to write a letter of support for the nomination of Dallas T. Hayes for the existing vacancy on the Sudbury Housing Authority.

The Executive Secretary was directed to forward copies of his above-referenced letter to Senator Atkins and to Representatives Gannett and Counihan.

There being no further business to come before the Board, it was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To adjourn the meeting at 11:55 p.m.

Attest: 
Richard E. Thompson
Executive Secretary-Clerk