

IN BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MONDAY, MAY 15, 1978

Present: Chairman William F. Toomey and John E. Murray.

The statutory requirements as to notice having been fulfilled, the meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by Chairman William F. Toomey.

Utility Petition #78-85 Old Lancaster Road

Present: Mr. Robert L. Blake, Boston Edison Company; and Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Napoli, 406 Old Lancaster Road.

In conformity with General Laws Chapter 166, Section 22, the Board considered the following petition:

UP#78-85 Old Lancaster Road - Petition of Boston Edison Company for Old Lancaster Road, easterly, approximately 224 feet south of DeMarco Road, a distance of about 8 feet - Conduit

Executive Secretary Richard E. Thompson reported that all appropriate abutters and Town officials had been notified and that a report dated May 8, 1978, recommending approval, had been received from the Wiring Inspector.

Mr. Robert L. Blake, Boston Edison Company, explained that the resident of 406 Old Lancaster Road has requested a change from overhead to underground wiring, and explained that the utility petition requested by Boston Edison is for 8 feet of conduit in Old Lancaster Road from the existing post in the street to the property line.

Following discussion it was on motion by Selectman John E. Murray unanimously

VOTED: To approve Utility Petition #78-85 for Old Lancaster Road, as described above, and shown on a plan drawn by C. B. Damrell, dated March 7, 1978, for the Boston Edison Company.

Minutes

It was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To approve the minutes of the regular session of May 8, 1978, as amended.

Signing the Warrant for the June 7, 1978, Special Town Meeting and the Warrant for the June 5, 1978, Special Election

The Board reviewed the official Warrant for the June 7, 1978, Special Town Meeting, and following a brief discussion it was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To sign the Warrant for the June 7, 1978, Special Town Meeting and the Warrant for the June 5, 1978, Special Election.

On the recommendation of the Executive Secretary, it was agreed that the Board would conduct a fifteen minute review of the Warrant Articles for the June 7, 1978,

Special Town Meeting at the Town Fathers' Forum on May 22, 1978.

Awarding Bid for Sedan Vehicle for Fire Department

Executive Secretary Richard E. Thompson referred to a letter dated May 3, 1978, from Josiah F. Frost, Fire Chief, requesting that the Board approve the purchase of a new vehicle for use by the Fire Department (as approved in the Fire Department's 1978-79 budget, Account #310-51, New Equipment, 1978 Annual Town Meeting) from the low bidder, West End Chevrolet, Inc., for a net cost of \$4,884.00 including an allowance for the trade-in of the Department's 1973 BelAir Wagon. As stated in the Chief's letter, there were only two bids submitted; the other bid was received from R. H. Long Motor Sales Company for a net cost to the town of \$5,395 (including allowance); and both bids met the vehicle specifications set forth by the Fire Department.

In answer to Chairman Toomey's question, Town Counsel stated that specifications are somewhat standard for the three town vehicles (Fire Chief's car, Police Chief's car and Building Inspector's car), and are reviewed by Town Counsel's office, at which time the necessary changes are incorporated to meet the needs of the Department, which is the reason for not requesting bids for the three cars at the same time.

Following discussion it was on motion by Selectman John E. Murray unanimously

VOTED: To award a bid to furnish a sedan vehicle for the Fire Department to West End Chevrolet, Inc., for a net cost of \$4,884.00 including an allowance for the trade-in of the Department's 1973 BelAir Wagon, as stated in a proposal dated May 2, 1978, from West End Chevrolet, Inc., to the Fire Department.

Jurors

Present: Betsey M. Powers, Town Clerk.

The Board drew the names of Marguerite E. Hawley, 143 Maynard Farm Road, and William H. Zirkel, 5 Griscom Road, to serve as jurors, Special Venire-Criminal, at Cambridge Court commencing July 5, 1978.

128 West Resource Recovery Council

Present: Martha Stone, Senior Planner, 128 West Resource Recovery Council;
E. Lawrence Gogolin and Dr. William Cooper, Board of Health.

Chairman William F. Toomey presented Ms. Martha Stone, Senior Planner for the 128 West Resource Recovery Council, who had requested this meeting with the Board for the purpose of providing information relative to the work of the Recovery Council. Selectman Toomey stated that the Board of Health, the Highway Surveyor, and the Conservation Commission had been invited to attend tonight's meeting.

Ms. Martha Stone, Senior Planner, stated that the work of the 128 West Resource Recovery Council - - the regional disposal of solid waste - - began about three years ago. She said that the cities of Newton and Waltham investigated the possibility of a regional waste disposal with the idea of recapturing the heat and generating electricity, but found that there was not enough waste tonnage between the two towns.

At the same time, the Minuteman Group (of towns) was requesting the same information from consultants, and these two groups of towns applied to the State for help in forming a local regional disposal council. Informative letters were sent to those towns east of Route 495 encouraging interest in towns working together for a regional plant. Bedford, Weston, Stoughton and Sharon designated proposed sites in their respective towns for the construction of the regional plant which would receive up to four thousand tons of rubbish a day; and because of its political acceptability, by Town Meeting vote, the Town of Stoughton was selected for the site.

Ms. Stone indicated that, if the City of Boston joins the region, the cost to each town per ton would be greatly reduced. This cost per ton includes the disposal facility, transportation from every town line in the region to the plant, along with the ownership, maintenance and operation of the network transfer haul stations.

Ms. Stone explained the responsibilities of each town should they join the regional district: 1) To deliver the rubbish to the town line, where the regional district begins sharing the cost of the transportation from the town line to the nearest transfer haul station, where it is transferred to the regional site in Stoughton. It is the hope of the Council that the rubbish will be burned, and that electricity will be generated and sold to Boston Edison, as they have already agreed. (The Council would like to have a revenue sharing provision where the contractor would share those amounts with each community over and above his agreed profit.); 2) To sign a contract for twenty years and to pay on a monthly basis the per town cost. (Escalation will be allowed according to the Consumer Price Index; however, market value of the electricity should offset any escalation, and it is possible that the Town's cost will remain stable for twenty years.)

Ms. Stone stated that the expected operation of the disposal plant will be in 1982 at a cost of one hundred million dollars. Bid invitations will be out by the end of June, and will be expected back by the end of October or the first of November, at which time more detailed information will be available to the towns.

Ms. Stone invited the Town of Sudbury to join the 128 West Resource Recovery Council, and said that to join means to:

1) Send a letter to the Bureau designating a representative from the Town to the 128 West Resource Recovery Council. (The meetings rotate from town to town.); and

2) Submit a letter saying the Town concurs with the summary of the Bid Invitation.

Those towns submitting by the end of May will be included in the minimum service area which the contractors will be asked to bid on.

Ms. Stone asked if there were any questions.

In answer to Chairman Toomey's question regarding the Town's twenty-year contract, Ms. Stone explained that it would be a service contract between the Town and the owner of the facility. She further stated that there will be a panel consisting of one representative of each community as a liaison between the towns and the contractor.

Also in answer to Selectman Toomey, Ms. Stone said that the program will be successful without Boston, if they should decide not to be part of the regional district.

Selectman John E. Murray asked who is responsible for hauling the rubbish from the staging area.

Ms. Stone answered that the contractor will be responsible, as he will own and operate all the transfer haul stations.

Mr. E. Lawrence Gogolin stated that the Board of Health has been continuously studying the Town's Landfill Area, and that within the past year, the Highway Surveyor, Robert A. Noyes, who runs the Landfill, along with James V. Merloni, Town Engineer, reported that Sudbury's Landfill is in good shape for at least twenty years, meeting all state requirements, at the cost of \$7.78 per ton.

Mr. Gogolin stated, however, that he would be glad to serve on the 128 West Resource Recovery Council, as Sudbury would like to take part in the planning of the regional facility.

Executive Secretary Richard E. Thompson asked what the provision would be for a community to join the regional district later.

Ms. Stone stated that, if there is room in the facility, it would be the contractor's decision to allow another community to join, and that community would be expected to share the capital cost by paying a higher per ton fee.

There being no further discussion, Chairman Toomey thanked Ms. Stone for her presentation and asked the Board of Health to communicate to the Board its desire to serve on the Council.

Chairman Toomey recessed the meeting for ten minutes at 8:20 P.M.; the meeting was reconvened at 8:30 P.M.

Personnel Board - Clerical Study

Present: Daniel P. McLean, Chairman, Alan P. Carpenter, Lawrence Faye, and Frederick R. Garrity, Personnel Board.

Chairman William F. Toomey stated that tonight's meeting was requested by the Personnel Board for discussion relative to the clerical study in progress.

Mr. Lawrence Faye, Personnel Board, stated that the Personnel Board contracted with the U.S. Civil Service Commission to review the classification of the Town's clerical positions relative to comparable pay for comparable work, and further stated the Personnel Board's plans include comparative analysis with the school's classifications.

Mr. Faye stated that the Personnel Board completed its clerical study prior to the 1978 Annual Town Meeting, and since then has reviewed it, and at this point, would like to go over the report with the various department heads and hopefully implement the study.

Chairman Toomey suggested meeting with the Personnel Board once again, before implementation of the study, following their meeting with the various department heads in order to hear their responses.

Mr. Alan P. Carpenter, Personnel Board, said that one of the reasons for requesting tonight's meeting was to receive the Selectmen's support and input on the clerical study before implementation.

In answer to Chairman Toomey, Mr. Faye said that the study includes: 1) the study done by the U.S. Civil Service Commission; 2) review work of the Personnel Board; and 3) revised figures by the Personnel Board since the 1978 Annual Town Meeting.

Mr. Faye asked if the Board had any other concerns.

Executive Secretary Richard E. Thompson explained that the Selectmen and the Personnel Board concurred before Town Meeting that before the clerical study be presented to Town Meeting there be better communication about it within the various departments; at the same time, the Board requested a comparison with the School.

Mr. Thompson further explained that, although about 1/3 of the clerical study has been implemented, 2/3's has not, but can be done so following a meeting with the department heads, subject to approval of the next Town Meeting, in accordance with the Administration Plan.

Mr. Thompson offered to cooperate and assist the Personnel Board in any way necessary.

Selectman Murray suggested that the Personal Board discuss the clerical classification study at individual meetings with each town department rather than at one general meeting, to encourage more open conversations. The Personnel Board concurred, and decided to hold a general meeting first and follow up with individual meetings with the various departments.

Operational Review Committee, Wayland-Sudbury Septage Disposal Facility

Present: William W. Cooper, IV, and E. Lawrence Gogolin, Operational Review Committee and Sudbury Board of Health.

Chairman William F. Toomey introduced Dr. William W. Cooper, Board of Health and member of the Operational Review Committee, and asked him to present the Board with an update relative to the status of the Wayland-Sudbury Septage Disposal Facility and the workings of the Operational Review Committee.

Dr. William W. Cooper gave the following presentation: The history of this project goes back to the late 1960's when the Towns of Wayland and Sudbury became aware of the need of an area for sewage disposal. Through the Septage Disposal Planning Committee, the Towns of Wayland and Sudbury came together and appropriated the necessary planning money to have a study done on the subject and advertised nationally, following which a New York engineering firm was asked to design the septage system for the Towns of Sudbury and Wayland.

Dr. Cooper elaborated on the technical operation of the the Wayland-Sudbury Septage Disposal Facility.

Dr. Cooper said that negotiations between the two towns were finalized in 1975 by Town Meeting approval; and agreement was signed March, 1976; and an engineering contract was negotiated in the fall of 1977. Also, in 1977 the towns qualified to receive Federal funding, because of a change in the Federal regulations, and in June, 1976, the towns applied to the State for 1977 Fiscal Year funding, and have recently received priority status for funding. A grant application has been made for the Federal money which is 90% of the total cost (which may reduce to 80%) of the project to the two towns; there is an estimated three-month wait for final approval, but local approvals have already begun.

Dr. Cooper stated that the Operational Review Committee has been approached by the Towns of Weston and Lincoln for their use of the facility, and the Committee is considering sharing the facility, depending on the capacity of it, in order to also be able to share the operating cost.

Dr. Cooper further stated that the present building's estimated cost is 1.2 million dollars, and with funding will cost \$150,000-200,000 between the two towns, which compares to the \$350,000 the towns originally planned to pay.

Selectman Toomey said that it should be made clear that the funding will not be affected by other towns participating.

In answer to Selectman Murray's question, Dr. Cooper stated that the design of the facility provides for population growth, up to 26,000 in the Town of Sudbury and up to 20,000 in the Town of Wayland.

There being no further discussion, Chairman Toomey thanked Dr. Cooper for his presentation, and on the recommendation of the Executive Secretary, concurred that letters be sent to the State and Federal agencies from the Board of Selectmen supporting the work of the Operational Review Committee and the Board of Health relative to the Wayland-Sudbury Septage Disposal Facility and solicit their support for funding the same.

Town Dog Pound Site - Article 5, 1978 Annual Town Meeting

Present: Francis E. White, Building Inspector; abutters to Featherland Park.

Chairman William F. Toomey stated that the Board held a Public Hearing last week to discuss the location of a new dog pound facility which is proposed to be adjacent to the Park and Recreation Maintenance Building at Featherland Park, Concord Road, at which time abutters to the property expressed their objections. Selectman Toomey stated that the Board has not yet resolved the problem, but is looking into a possible alternative to the Featherland Park area.

Selectman John E. Murray stated that the Board has scheduled a meeting regarding the acceptability of a site which is not located on town-owned land, and that some details need to be worked out before a decision can be made. Selectman Murray stated he is hopeful that the Board will have more information next week.

On the recommendation of the Executive Secretary it was on motion by Selectman Murray unanimously

VOTED: To authorize the Executive Secretary to approach Boston Edison Company relative to the use of their land on Boston Post Road for use by the Town of Sudbury for the

construction of a dog pound facility.

Selectman Toomey stated that the report read to the Town at the 1978 Annual Town Meeting indicated that the Dog Officer build a dog facility on "town-owned" land at Featherland Park and questioned Town Counsel relative to the use of the Boston Edison property.

Town Counsel explained that, as stated in the Warrant, the use of "town-owned" land for the dog facility was merely a suggestion by the Dog Officer, but not a restriction of the article.

The Building Inspector stated that he did issue a permit for the removal of the building now on the Edison property, and indicated that he would be able to build a dog facility there with the money appropriated in Article 5 of the 1978 Annual Town Meeting, unless the town has to pay for the land.

Mr. Clay Allen, abutter, thanked the Selectmen for their consideration on behalf of the abutters of Featherland Park.

Chairman Toomey stated that the Board is making an effort to cooperate and hopes that things will work out satisfactorily for everyone.

The Executive Secretary stated publicly those comments expressed to him by the Selectmen following last week's Public Hearing, relative to the location of the new Town Dog Pound, being that the meeting was very successful because there was a good exchange of ideas and information, accomplished in a kind and courteous manner by all those attending.

Award Bid for Sedan Vehicle for Police Cruiser

On the recommendation of the Executive Secretary it was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To table awarding of a bid to furnish one sedan Police Cruiser.

Hosmer House Oil Painting Collection

Chairman William F. Toomey referred to a communication dated May 1, 1978, from John C. Powers, Executor of the Estate of Florence Hosmer, recommending that the Town contract for the preparation of a photographic catalogue of the oil paintings in the Hosmer collection.

Executive Secretary Richard E. Thompson stated that Mr. Powers is asking for a transfer of \$3,500 to allow for both photography and appraisal as follows:

- 1) \$1,500 for a proper photographic color catalogue which will form the basis of a full appraisal by various museums of the value of the paintings.
- 2) \$1,000 for the appraisal of the paintings.
- 3) \$1,000 for the appraisal of furniture and other articles of the estate.

Mr. Thompson mentioned that Mr. Powers had received a quote from Vose Galleries of Boston, Inc., indicating that they would offer an appraisal of the paintings for \$800.

Mr. Thompson recommended, subject to comments from Town Counsel's office, that the Board authorize him to solicit two or three estimates to contract the photography and for the appraisals, at which time the Executive Secretary will report back to the Board with the amount of money to proceed with, rather than taking any action tonight.

Selectman Toomey stated that the photographs and negatives will be town property and will not become the property of the photographer.

Dissolving Committees

It was on motion by Selectman John E. Murray unanimously

VOTED: To dissolve the Ambulance Task Force, established November 5, 1973, as its duties are no longer required;

and it was further

VOTED: To dissolve the Cemetery Study Committee, established October 12, 1976, as its duties are no longer required;

and it was further

VOTED: To dissolve the Sudbury Growth Policy Committee, established January 19, 1976, as its duties are no longer required;

and it was further

VOTED: To dissolve the Landham Road Advisory Committee, established August 16, 1977, as its duties are no longer required.

Proclamation - Municipal Clerk's Week in the Town of Sudbury

It was on motion by Selectman John E. Murray unanimously

VOTED: To proclaim the week of May 14 through May 20, 1978, as Municipal Clerk's Week in the Town of Sudbury.

Ritchie Bus Lines

The Executive Secretary announced the change in the Ritchie Bus Lines schedule as follows: Leaving Park Square, Boston

old schedule: 5:00 P.M. and 5:45 P.M.

new schedule: 4:45 P.M. and 5:15 P.M.

Mr. Thompson asked the press to publicize this change of schedule.

Resignation of Richard M. Mainville, Jr. Civil Engineer

The Board acknowledged receipt of a letter dated May 9, 1978, from James V. Merloni, Town Engineer, notifying the Board of the resignation of Richard M. Mainville, Jr. Civil Engineer, effective June 2, 1978. Mr. Mainville has accepted the position

of Town Engineer in the Town of Ludlow, Mass.

Following discussion it was on motion unanimously

VOTED: To direct the Executive Secretary to write a letter to Mr. Richard M. Mainville, Jr. Civil Engineer, expressing the Town's loss in his resignation effective June 2, 1978, and congratulating him on his new position as Town Engineer, Ludlow, Mass.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:40 P.M.

Attest: _____
Richard E. Thompson
Executive Secretary-Clerk

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