



Board of Selectmen

Date of Meeting: Friday, August 12, 2016
Location: Town Hall, 221 Main Street
Time: 8:07 AM – 8:40 AM
Members Present: Chairman James Wood; Michael May; James Underwood; Marty McNamara, Town Administrator; April C. Steward, Administrative Assistant to the Board

The meeting commenced at 8:07 AM.

At 8:07 AM, on a motion made by Selectman Michael May and seconded by Jamie Underwood, the following roll call vote was recorded to go into Executive Session under MGL c. 30A §21 ¶2 to discuss strategy with respect to conduct contract negotiations with non-union personnel. James Wood: Yes; Michael May: Yes; James Underwood: Yes. The Board agreed they would reconvene to open session.

The executive session was adjourned at 8:23 AM and returned to open session.

Consideration of Special Town Meeting for September 12, 2016: The Board of Selectmen would like to consider the pros and cons of holding a special town meeting in September 2016

- The Town of Boylston agreed to accept the offer for the settlement on the bids on the first phase of Compass Pointe and settlement of bond numbers 1039362, 1039635, and 1077686 for the total amount of \$181,468.50
- The Board has convened to consider the pros and cons of holding a special town meeting to appropriate the funds out of the general fund and into a fund for the paving of Compass Pointe Phase I
 - Pros
 - Roadway gets paved
 - Residents can petition the town to accept as town road at May Annual Town Meeting
 - Asphalt prices are down, although not telling what the bids will come in at. If bids exceed funds available (Not expecting but possible), the whole thing would be for nothing.
 - Cons
 - Rushed meetings make errors more possible
 - Questionable whether paving companies can get the job completed in October
 - Cost of approximately \$2,000.00 to hold the meeting
 - Open warrants for all petitions
 - Continued construction vehicle traffic through winter months on freshly paved roadway
 - Residents will be expecting the town to plow through the winter but it would not be an approved town road until Spring Town Meeting.
- If all went perfectly and the road was paved in October the residents would still have to wait until the road was accepted as a town road before the Highway Department would be able to maintain the roadway. Construction vehicles would be using the road and damage could occur over the winter months to the new roadway. The board would prefer to wait until the spring and put out an RFQ to the paving subcontractors. This would allow the appropriation of funds to be on the warrant for the annual town meeting, contracts could be formalized in May for paving to ensue afterwards. A special town meeting could then be held in September of 2017 so that residents could petition the town to accept as town road.

Jaimie Underwood motioned to not have the special town meeting in September 2016; Michael May seconded; all voted in favor.

Michael May motioned to proceed with actions that could lock in asphalt contracts for 3 year best pricing; Jaimie Underwood seconded; all voted in favor.

At 8:40 AM Michael May motioned to adjourn; Jamie Underwood seconded; voted all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
April C. Steward, Assistant to the Board of Selectmen

Meeting Materials

Agenda
Pros and Cons of Special Town Meeting

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