

**MEETING MINUTES
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
APRIL 26, 2007**

At 6:34 p.m., Chairman David W. Heinlein called the meeting to order with members Kathleen W. Weld and Carol Lisbon present. Also present were David W. Ramsay, Town Administrator, and Greer Pugatch, Administrative Assistant.

ATTENDANCE: Joseph Melican, Warrant Committee PRESS: Amy Reay, D-S Press
Finalize Article Motions

Mr. Ramsay told the Board that except for a few minor changes to be made to the article motions for the May 7, 2007 Annual Town Meeting, the motions are in their final form. The Board of Selectmen has reviewed and approved both the motions and changes.

Planning Board

Mr. Heinlein asked for the Board of Selectmen's opinion on the two Planning Board articles to be presented at Town Meeting as per that board's request.

The Selectmen reviewed the proposed Open Space Preservation bylaw, which is based upon the proposed bylaw which was the subject of last fall's Special Town Meeting but has been changed to address many of the concerns expressed about the original proposal. The changes include no provisions for density bonuses or multi-family dwellings, reduced Planning Board discretion, and required involvement by various Town boards as necessary.

Mrs. Lisbon moved to support the Open Space Preservation bylaw to be submitted by the Planning Board at this year's Town Meeting, seconded by Mrs. Weld; it was unanimously voted. Mr. Heinlein commented that the proposed sign bylaw further develops standards to consistently evaluate whether signs meet specific criteria, and also specifies how long signs can be displayed, etc.

Mrs. Weld moved to support the sign bylaw being put forth by the Planning Board for this Annual Town Meeting, seconded by Mrs. Lisbon; it was unanimously voted.

Dover Community Center Building & Fundraising Committee Updates

Mrs. Weld reported that the Board of Selectmen has been working on its Town Meeting presentation for Articles 11 and 12 related to the Caryl School site. John O'Keefe is preparing a cable television segment regarding developments at the Caryl School and the deteriorating building conditions over the past two years. This program will be aired on the local access station starting this weekend and continuing until Town Meeting. Mrs. Weld also urged citizens to view background information related to this issue on the Town website.

Cable Franchise License Hearing

Mr. Heinlein said that the public hearing scheduled for this evening for the cable franchise license application will be continued again at Verizon's request. Negotiations with the Town are ongoing.

Mrs. Lisbon moved to continue the cable franchise license hearing to May 22, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. at the next Board of Selectmen's meeting, seconded by Mrs. Weld; it was unanimously voted.

Appoint Heavy Equipment Operator/Groundskeeper

Mr. Ramsay told the Board that three internal candidates have been interviewed for the vacancy created by a recent resignation at the Highway Department. The unanimous recommendation of the interviewers is to appoint Ron Briggs of the Park & Recreation Department to that position.

Mrs. Lisbon moved to appoint Ronald Briggs as a Heavy Equipment Operator/Groundskeeper for the Highway Department effective May 3, 2007, seconded by Mrs. Weld; it was unanimously voted.

Other Business:

Appoint Temporary Constable

Town Clerk Barrie Clough is requesting that the Selectmen appoint a temporary constable for the May 21, 2007 Town Election to replace a constable who is running for a Town office.

Mrs. Lisbon moved to appoint Joe Melican as a temporary constable for the [Town] Election, seconded by Mrs. Weld; it was unanimously voted.

Performance Appraisals

The Board of Selectmen authorized Mr. Ramsay to commence the performance review cycle as is customary each spring.

Approve April 12, 2007 Meeting Minutes

Mrs. Lisbon moved to accept the minutes of April 12, 2006, seconded by Mrs. Weld; Mrs. Lisbon and Mrs. Weld voted affirmatively with Mr. Heinlein abstaining.

Adjournment

At 6:49 p.m., Mr. Heinlein asked for a motion to adjourn the open session and convene in executive session for the purpose of discussing collective bargaining. It was so moved by Mrs. Lisbon, seconded by Mrs. Weld. Mr. Heinlein polled the Board and by unanimous roll call vote convened in executive session. No further open session business was to be taken up.

DOVER BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Kathleen W. Weld, Clerk