

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

May 26, 2015

Minutes

The Board of Selectmen met on Tuesday, May 26, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Hall Clark Room. Those present were Selectmen John Gorecki, Peter Scavongelli, Nathan Brown, and Lyn Lemaire. Town Administrator Timothy D. Goddard was also present. Mrs. Moroney was not present.

Also in attendance:

Abby Zimmerman, Sunset Road

NationalGrid representatives:

Dennis Regan

Fay Brown

Sue Scarcella

Michael Guerin

Kevin Brown, Hutchins Road

Community Input

Sunset Road resident Abby Zimmerman said she is facing a property issue and she is not receiving clear information in order to resolve it. Ms. Zimmerman said she was told that she has an illegal common-shared driveway. She does not agree with this information because when she purchased the house/lot it was in good standing. The driveway was in compliance at that time and now she is told it is not in compliance. Ms. Zimmerman said when she contacted the Zoning Board of Appeals about this matter she was told she would have to fill-out an application and pay a filing fee. She would also have to have the property surveyed, which she said is very expensive.

Ms. Zimmerman asked the Board what she should do to resolve this matter. Mr. Gorecki said normally the Board does not reply to community input inquiries however he would like to set up a time to meet with her to discuss this matter.

Town Administrator Report

1 Fox 25 Zip Trip Update - Mr. Goddard said he has been in contact with *Fox 25's* Advanced Team regarding the logistics of the June 19th *Zip Trip* to Carlisle. He said he will be meeting with the 'advanced team' next week to discuss the best location for the live broadcast. Mr. Goddard said so far the Town Common and Spalding Field are the best options. He said he has spoken with Chief Fisher and he said as soon as a location has been determined he will establish a parking and traffic plan.

2 Tick scientific research information – Mr. Goddard said attached to this report is a letter from resident David Smith relative to scientific evidence about reducing the tick population. Mr. Goddard suggested that the Board schedule a public information session regarding this issue. Mr. Goddard said Dr. Jean Berry, who attended a Selectmen's meeting in March to discuss this matter, is willing to come back for additional discussions. Mr. Gorecki said it is important to have a meeting to discuss the process, adding that this may not be something that works for Carlisle.

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He suggested having members from the Board of Health attend a Selectmen's meeting to discuss the process.

3 Minuteman Update/Town of Wayland letter Attached to this report was a copy of a letter from the Wayland Board of Selectmen to the Chairman of the Minuteman Regional School Committee. The letter informed the School Committee of Wayland's Town Meeting vote to withdraw from the Minuteman school district and their request that the School District amend the current regional agreement to set forth the terms and conditions for their withdrawal. Mr. Goddard said this is the first community to withdraw under the current agreement. He added that this is an interesting development and the Board may consider this matter worthy of further discussion on a future agenda.

4 Pathways II – Committee membership/charge Mr. Goddard said a few months ago the Board finalized the charge for the Pathways Committee II. He said the committee has not met yet and therefore suggested that the Board assist the Pathways II committee with setting up a meeting to review their charge [attached hereto]. Mr. Gorecki agreed that this was a good idea. Mr. Goddard said he would take the initial steps to reach out to these members.

5 Upcoming Meeting Schedule The Board discussed their summer schedules and decided to cancel the August 11, 2015 meeting.

Cemetery Deeds

The Board of Selectmen, as Cemetery Commissioners, made the following deed transfers.

On a motion made by Mr. Brown and seconded by Ms. Lemaire, it was unanimously **VOTED** to transfer to Lloyd Dow of Carlisle, Massachusetts the following: Deed No. 681 for Cemetery Lot D 36, Graves 1, 2, 3 and 4 and Deed No. 682 for Cemetery Lot D 37, Graves 1, 2, 3, and 4 in the Town of Carlisle, Green Cemetery.

Liaison Reports

Ms. Lemaire said she recently attended a Conservation Restriction Advisory Committee meeting. She asked the Board if it would be possible for her to join that Committee. Mr. Goddard said he would confer with Town Counsel as to whether there is a legal reason for her not to be on this committee too.

At 7:30 p.m. Mr. Gorecki opened the continued **Public Hearing** relative to National Grid's request for installation of 4" gas main on Concord Street. Present for this discussion from NationalGrid were: Dennis Regan, permit representative, Fay Brown, engineering, Sue Scarcella, public relations and Michael Guerin, manager. Mr. Gorecki spoke about why the public hearing was continued. He said last year NationalGrid was working on Concord Road in Concord and it seems that they completed their work to the point where the Town of Carlisle started paving Concord Road in Carlisle. Mr. Gorecki said National Grid's request last month was not approved because the Board felt that there had been a breakdown in communication with NationalGrid and they wanted to know more information about National Grid's future plans so the DPW could coordinate their paving projects with same.

Ms. Brown said NationalGrid plans these projects 5 years in advance, and they are based on supply being adequate to the growth in the area and to system performance. Mr. Guerin apologized to the Board for not coordinating this project with the Town. He said this job in particular is directed to increase capacity due to a customer that is coming on and for system performance in Carlisle. He said that their policy is to restore the road intact however in this situation they will agree to do curb to curb restoration. Mr. Gorecki thanked him for this offer.

On a motion made by Mr. Brown and seconded by Ms. Lemaire, it was unanimously **VOTED** to close the public hearing.

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On a motion made by Mr. Brown and seconded by Mr. Scavongelli, it was unanimously **VOTED** to approve the requested gas main locations on Concord Street, Carlisle, MA as described in the February 23, 2015 petition of NationalGrid, as amended during the public hearing on May 26, 2015 and to authorize the Chairman to execute the Order for Gas Main Location on behalf of the Board; provided that before beginning this work, NationalGrid shall consult with the Carlisle DPW and the Carlisle Police Department on traffic safety issues.

Minutes

On a motion made by Mr. Brown and seconded by Mr. Scavongelli, it was **VOTED 3 yes, 1 abstain**, to approve the April 15, 2015 Minutes as amended.

On a motion made by Mr. Scavongelli and seconded by Mr. Brown, it was **VOTED 2 yes, 2 abstain**, to approve the April 27, 2015 Minutes as presented.

On a motion made by Mr. Scavongelli and seconded by Ms. Lemaire, it was unanimously **VOTED** to approve the Minutes of May 12, 2015 as amended.

Continued Telecommunications Site Plan Review Hearing

Mr. Gorecki said the Site Plan Review Hearing for the Telecommunications Tower has been placed on hold due to a request for a Propagation Study and a Telecommunications Study to tell us if we need the Tower. He added that the Site Plan Review process has been started however it has been delayed while we wait for the results of the Study. Mr. Gorecki said tonight we will continue the public hearing to a certain date and time. He suggested July 28, 2015 at 7:30 p.m.

On a motion made by Mr. Brown and seconded by Ms. Lemaire, it was unanimously **VOTED** to continue the Telecommunications Site Plan Review public hearing to July 28, 2015 at 7:30 p.m.

Mr. Gorecki said in regard to the Study, work has been underway. He said some computer modeling has been done. He said the next step is to conduct a drive test. Mr. Gorecki said a draft report should be available by mid-June.

Executive Session

At 7:55 p.m. a motion was made by Mr. Scavongelli to enter into Executive Session pursuant to MGL Ch. 30A, §21(a) paragraph (3) to discuss strategy with respect to litigation as an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the Town's litigating position and afterwards the Board will return to open session. The motion was seconded by Ms. Lemaire and the following roll call vote was taken: Gorecki – aye; Brown – aye; Lemaire – aye; and, Scavongelli – aye.

The Board returned to open session at 8:30 p.m.

Fire Department Study Committee

Mr. Gorecki said at the recent Town Meeting a vote was taken to approve and authorize a Fire Department Study in the amount of \$10,000.00. He said the purpose for this study is to help us understand the best way to support the continuation of the all call fire department and to look at succession planning for the Fire department leadership. Mr. Gorecki prepared a draft charge for the Fire Department Study working group [attached hereto]. Hutchins Road resident Kevin Brown was present for this discussion. He said he was willing to help in moving the study forward.

There was a discussion on the membership of the Study Group. Mr. Gorecki suggested that the group include two (2) selectmen, two (2) firefighters [non-officers], and the Town Administrator.

Mr. Gorecki said this was the first draft of the Mission Statement/charge. He suggested continuing this discussion to the next meeting when we will finalize the Charge and appoint members to the group.

Greenough Barn Committee

Mr. Gorecki said the Greenough Barn Committee was appointed last summer to consider whether we should re-purpose the Barn or have it removed. He provided the Mission Statement for the committee and a power-point presentation [attached hereto]. Mr. Gorecki noted that the Barn, which is located on the Greenough Land, was built in the 1930's. He said it has not been used for about five years. Mr. Gorecki said the Conservation Commission owns the Greenough Land, the Barn is owned by the Board of Selectmen and the access to the Barn [via driveway] is owned by the Carlisle Conservation Foundation. He added that the main part of the Barn is in good shape.

Mr. Gorecki said the committee discussed some possible uses for the Barn which included a picnic pavilion, summer camp, and community farm/craft center. He said although these uses were good, they were not perfect for the space.

Mr. Gorecki said the costs for the Carlisle Police to patrol the Barn were from \$5,000 to \$6,000 per year. The Barn is considered dangerous to people who enter the building.

Mr. Gorecki said the Committee voted to recommend that the Barn be removed. He said the committee suggested that the Town could advertise that the Barn is available and it could be taken away. He added that Town Meeting would have to allocate the funds for the expense of demolishing the Barn.

Mr. Gorecki said the next steps will be to schedule meetings with the Greenough Barn Committee to discuss how to proceed.

Mr. Brown asked if there was a sense of urgency to proceed with this matter. He said he would like to see the Barn before the Board takes a vote. The Board agreed to meet and walk in and around the barn area. Mr. Goddard said he will make the arrangements with the DPW for this tour of the Barn.

Ms. Lemaire thanked Mr. Brown for his tremendous job as Master of Ceremonies at the Memorial Day event. Mr. Brown said all of the 6th grade students did a remarkable job reading their poems at the ceremony.

The meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Margaret Arena