



Town of Carlisle

MASSACHUSETTS 01741

ROBERT B. THOMSON, Clerk
Log Hill Road
CARLISLE, MASS.

Office of
PLANNING BOARD

MINUTES OF PLANNING BOARD MEETING HELD 8:20 P.M., MONDAY 2-9-70

Present: Chairman Herndon, F. Smith, D. Spaulding, R. Thomson.

1. Messrs Jones and Winterhalter of Boston Edison Co., along with Selectman J. Arthur Taylor and members of the Board, reviewed the so-called "Underground Wiring Bill"; H.5179.
2. Discussion revealed that Edison has three approaches to the subject: (a) old, existing wiring on existing ways, which comes under H.5179; (b) new wiring for subdivisions, which in Carlisle are to be underground; and (c) new wiring on existing ways that do not now have poles.
3. "(b) above" results in no cost to the town, except the added costs of street lighting, if such is required.
4. "(c) above" results in no cost to the town, as Edison plans to go underground on its own. The taxable value of the resultant new underground wiring is 25% of total value, and not 100% as in the case of present overhead facilities, however, and net taxable revenue to the town is thereby decreased, possibly. It should be noted that the higher cost of underground facilities ##### should mean a not too large reduction from present taxable income.
5. Edison answered all questions that the Board and Mr. Taylor anticipated might be asked at the Public Hearing to be held 2-18. Mr. Jones plans to be at the Public Hearing.
6. How other towns have handled the new law, how to accelerate completion of projects that are expensive, and ways to implement the law were discussed at length.
7. House Numbering was discussed in regard to Mr. Davis's letter suggestion to use pole numbers. This method would not always be available for use, and the Board turned the suggestion down with thanks to Mr. Davis for his efforts. R. Thomson to write Mr. Davis.
8. Executive Session.
9. Meeting Adjourned at 11:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

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AGENDA FOR THE NEXT MEETING OF THE PLANNING BOARD:

AT SELECTMEN'S OFFICE - 8 PM - MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 1970.

Boston Edison - Art - Sp. Town Mtg.
Kitby Place - Article - Sp. Town Mtg.

1. Summation of situation re-Autumn Lane and re-naming of spur to Eastabrook Road from Autumn Lane proper. RBT
2. Status of HUD funds for up-dating Benjamin Report. TH
Based on this finding: next step in up-dating program.
3. Street numbering progress report. TH
4. Re-naming of roads: RBT
 - a. Maio subdivision
 - b. Ogden subdivision
 - c. Moore subdivision
5. Edison pole re-locations: TH
 - a. Connolly subdivision
 - b. DiBonas subdivision
6. Subdivision stati: TH
 - a. Moore
 - b. Connolly
 - c. DiBonas
 - d. Deck House
 - e. Ogden
 - f. Maio
7. Report on Rts. 62 (inner-outer-belt) and I.S.290 as result of last SILC meeting. DS
8. Up-dating of P.B. regulations.
9. New Business.

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To: Town Clerk, Town of Carlisle, Massachusetts
From: Planning Board, Carlisle, Massachusetts
Subject: Public Hearing regarding proposed Section 5, Article 6
Zoning By-Law changes.

1. The Public Hearing was held as scheduled on Monday, February 9, 1970 in the Selectmen's Office before the Planning Board.
2. The meeting was called to order at 8:15 P.M. by Chairman Herndon.
3. One representative of the press was present. No public attendance.
4. Mr. Herndon adjourned the Public Hearing at 8:20 P.M.

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TOWN CLERK

LEGAL NOTICE

The following resolution was adopted by the Planning Board of the Town of Carlisle at its meeting held at 8:00 p.m. on February 9, 1970 at the Selectmen's Office:

That a public hearing be held at 8:00 p.m. Wednesday, February 18, 1970 in the Spalding Auditorium to ascertain whether the public safety, health, convenience or welfare would be advanced by a program of (a) prohibiting new installation or construction of, or (b) requiring progressive removal of poles and overhead wires and associated overhead structures within all or any part or parts of the Town of Carlisle.

Eleanor S. Cochran

Town Clerk

11-29-70

UNDERGROUND DISTRIBUTION LEGISLATION (MASS.)

The so-called underground bill (H.5179) was passed by the Massachusetts legislature and signed by Gov. Sargent on August 29. It becomes law 90 days after the Governor affixes his signature.

This is an important piece of legislation since it provides local option (home rule) to communities to decide for themselves whether they want distribution wires underground and whether they are willing to pay the cost.

The act gives local communities the option to adopt one or both of two ordinances.

The first ordinance would require utilities to put all new distribution line extensions underground. The D.P.U. is given authority to set a differential rate for the customers in communities adopting such an ordinance, sufficient to offset the excess cost of undergrounding.

The second ordinance would require utilities to follow a schedule for conversion of existing overhead facilities to underground. The utility would be deemed to be in compliance with such ordinance if in following the schedule it extended annually an amount equal to 2 per cent of the gross revenues from its customers in the ordinance-adopting community. (Amounts spent in excess of the 2 per cent are carried forward as a credit in any of the nine succeeding years). The individual community has the option to provide for 1) customer absorption of the cost of customer connections or 2) inclusion of this cost in the 2 per cent expended by the company.

Utilities are authorized to impose a surcharge of 2 per cent of customer billings in order to recoup in the succeeding year the full amount spent in complying with such a second ordinance. This surcharge requires no D.P.U. approval and is separate and additional to the differential rate that might be allowed in extension-ordinance communities.

With respect to underground facilities installed in compliance with either or both ordinances, there is provision for a tax exemption of 75 per cent of the value thereof.

The timetable for compliance is as follows. An ordinance becomes effective on the January 1 next following its adoption which is at least nine months after adoption date. Thus, an ordinance adopted on or before April 1, 1970, would become effective on January 1, 1971. An ordinance adopted between April 2, 1970, and April 1, 1971, would become effective on January 1, 1972.