

SELECT BOARD MINUTES July 20, 2009

Present: Select Board members Bill Perlman, Tom Ulrich and Dave DeHerdt
Town Administrator, Maryellen Cranston

More than 100 residents

Meeting called to order 7:00 pm.

Warrants – Warrant #28 was signed authorizing payment (Vendor - \$21,600.77). Warrant #2 was signed authorizing payment (Vendor - \$70,172.85 and Payroll - \$19,703.87).

Police Chief - Only a handful of attendees wanted to talk about cell towers, which was the scheduled purpose of the meeting. The discussion turned to questions regarding the Police Chief. Questions were asked regarding the process of executive session, open meeting law and two emails that were sent by Board members prior to executive session, but were distributed to residents afterwards. Dave said that if John waived his right to confidentiality that the Board would be free to discuss what happened in executive session.

After the police chief discussion was over the following topics were addressed.

Open Meeting Law Training – Mary Fitz-Gibbon asked if a process would be developed to let residents know when an open position exists on a board or committee. She also asked if open meeting law training would be conducted for officials. The Board will definitely hold this training closer to the time that the new open meeting law will be implemented.

Clarification – John Svoboda will be allowed access to town hall during his suspension. As a member of the Board of Health, he needs access in order to attend meetings.

Complaints – The Board stated that they would discuss at another meeting how they would handle the remaining complaints that were not addressed at the last executive session meeting.

Animal Complaint – Resident Ricki Carroll requested that fake animals be removed from Bill's yard due to safety concerns. Bill stated that it slows cars down. Ricki asked that this be made part of the public record.

Meeting adjourned at 9:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Town Administrator