

TOWN OF FRAMINGHAM

SELECTMEN'S RECORDS

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN NOVEMBER 29, 1971

The regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held at 7:30 p.m. Present: Mr. John F. King, Chairman, Mr. John F. DelPrete, Clerk, and Mr. Peter W. Ablondi.

WARRANTS:

- #121 - Nov. 29, 1971 - Bill - \$154,895.38
- #122 - Nov. 29, 1971 - Pay Roll - \$711,626.03
- #123 - Nov. 29, 1971 - School Pay Roll - \$415,468.87

SUNDAY ENTERTAINMENT LICENSES:

Caesar Tamagno, Inc. d/b/a Monticello Restaurant, Dec. 5, 90 Worcester Rd.:

1. Patron's dancing.
2. Singer, dancers, M.C. & Trio background music.

Recreama, Inc. d/b/a Chateau DeVille, Dec. 5, 220 Worcester Rd.

1. Dinner Theatre.

RATIFICATIONS:

Open, occupy and obstruct street-Worcester Gas Light Co.:

Next to 80 Main St., cut off service, Nov. 24 to Dec. 27.

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795 Old Conn. Path, install new 3/4" I.P. service, Nov. 24 to Jan. 24, 1972.

560 Waverly St., install new 3/4" I.P. service, Nov. 24 to Jan. 24, 1972.

113 Irving St., install new 2" L.P. service, Nov. 24 to Jan. 24, 1972.

Open, occupy and obstruct st.-Peter E. Whiting, Inc., 175 Edmands Rd., st. for sewer, WATER and electrical and telephone wire underground connections, provide utilities for single-family residence, Nov. 29 to Dec. 8, 1971.

Obstruct sidewalk - Back Bay Sign Co., 36-40 Concord St., install signs, Nov. 24 to Dec. 8.

APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL POLICE OFFICER - Norman K. Booth, 41 Summer St., was appointed a special police officer for a term of one year, effective Nov. 29.

PETITION:

The petition of the New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co. JO Boston Edison Co. for the following permission: Country Club Lane, westerly side, approx. 142' south of Worcester Rd., one pole (one existing JO pole to be removed) was granted.

APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION:

The application of Leon J. Roberge, Framingham, (and others not of Framingham) for a certificate of incorporation under the name of "Massachusetts Hospital Food Service Directors Association, Inc." to be located at Town of Winthrop, was approved as far as the Framingham resident is concerned, and the Secretary of State so notified.

HEARING:

A public hearing was held at 8 P.M. in the Selectmen's Office, Room 21, Memorial Bldg., on the application of American Oil Co. and/or Richard Howard for the storage of 6,000 additional gallons of gasoline, in one tank underground, at 1060 Worcester Rd. Laurence Laurence Larssen, Const. Foreman, and John D. Hallberg, Const. Contractor, representing the American Oil Co., and Fire Chief Byrne were present in favor of the granting of this license. There was no opposition, and it was voted to grant the license.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION:

As a result of a letter received from the Personnel Board concerning the classification status of a town employee, Town Accountant, Robert E. Burke appeared before the Board, at their request. Mr. Burke explained that after reviewing the matter carefully, it was his opinion the employee was not given preferential treatment. Further, he felt that this was a unique case, and he preferred to leave the situation as it is - at least until June, 1972. After further discussion, Mr. Burke indicated he would reply to the question raised by the Personnel Board.

EMERGENCY EMPLOYMENT ACT:

Ray Zingarelli, Manpower Planning Coordinator, Don Brown and Paul Houlihan, also involved in E.E.A. appeared before the Board regarding the Town's acceptance of the Emergency Employment Act. Mr. Zingarelli pointed out that if the Town did not accept the funds by December 1, 1971 they would lose their position. He urged the Board to take immediate action. Chairman King informed them that the Director of Personnel, Dana Burdette, was still working with various labor unions in an effort to clarify certain aspects of E.E.A. Dana Burdette, also present at the conference, said the main problem in the delay of acceptance was clarification by the unions. He noted all but Local #1156 were in agreement, and it was hopeful this could be resolved shortly. Mr. Zingarelli suggested the Board accept E.E.A. He felt employees could be hired for other groups, excepting Local #1156, in the interim, thereby satisfying most of the requirements of the Act. Lengthy discussion followed. Selectman Peter Ablondi motioned the implementation of Framingham's participation in the Emergency Employment Act. Chairman King amended this motion by adding that Dana Burdette, Director of Personnel, will continue to work with various groups in order to resolve any problems that may arise in the future. Selectman DelPrete seconded, and it was unanimously voted.

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ADJOURNED MEETING - The meeting of November 29, 1971 was continued on November 30, 1971 due to a lengthy M.B.T.A. hearing held on November 29, 1971.

FRAMINGHAM CENTER TRAFFIC:

In an effort to improve the traffic flow at Framingham Center, Selectman Peter Ablondi suggested that the following changes be implemented on an experimental basis, with the cooperation of the Public Works Department, Engineering Department and Safety Officer:

Traffic flow will be redirected onto Library St. heading south and then turning right to enter the shopping area. Traffic from Pleasant Street will come in the usual way and then make a left turn onto Library St., going north. There will be no parking on Library Street, and it will be necessary to repaint the parking spaces to direct proper parking angles. The curbing will be removed and used as a buffer between the parking lot and the westbound lanes of Route 9.

Selectman DelPrete suggested also that all traffic exiting from Liam's and the banks onto Edgell Road should be made to turn right only. He suggested further that all traffic be allowed to make a right turn after stop onto High Street from Edgell Road. Selectman Ablondi said he would meet with all departments involved in the morning to discuss implementation of these experimental changes.

At the suggestion of Selectman Ablondi, the Board also discussed the possibility of another attempt at widening Auburn Street by way of Town Meeting action.

EVEN-ODD PARKING:

Selectman John DelPrete asked Sergeant Foley the status of the even-odd parking program he had suggested in an effort to alleviate the problems affecting snow removal and street maintenance. Sergeant Foley pointed out that this program could not be regulated unless it was included in the Traffic Rules and Orders. The Board asked the Safety Officer to work the details out with Town Counsel, Aarong Bikofsky.

M.B.T.A. HEARING - GRAY LINES:

The Board discussed the M.B.T.A. hearing held the previous evening regarding the Gray Lines. In response to a question raised by Selectman Ablondi relative to taking this matter into court in an effort to force Gray Lines to restore their service, Town Counsel explained that the M.B.T.A. had exclusive jurisdiction over the matter, and it was his feeling there was no way to force the restoration of cuts. Mr. Ablondi asked if they could be forced to properly identify the buses. Mr. Bikofsky explained this problem was also discussed at the hearing, and this would also be under the jurisdiction of the M.B.T.A. Chairman John King asked Town Counsel to research the law to see if there was any action which could be taken to get the service immediately restored. Selectman John DelPrete requested that a letter be sent to the Gray Lines Bus Co. urging them to restore the cuts in local service, provide a local telephone service for the convenience of local residents, that destinations of buses be properly displayed and bus stops clearly marked.

The Board granted permission to Town Counsel to order a copy of the transcript of the M.B.T.A. Hearing held on November 29, 1972.

VILLAGE HALL:

The Board acknowledged receipt of a letter from Safety Officer, Sergeant Robert Foley in which he advised that he had received a request from groups who use the Village Hall for increased parking and better lighting. Recommendations for more adequate lighting in the area, including the Parking lot, will be sought from the Engineering Department and Frederick Rousseau, Superintendent of Buildings. No action was taken on Sergeant Foley's recommendation for a limited No Parking restriction on Oaks Street.

ARLINGTON STREET:

The Board was in receipt of a recommendation submitted by Sergeant Foley for 30 minute parking On Arlington Street South side between Irving Street and Pratt Street; and also, On Gordon St., east side from Arlington Street a distance of 200 feet. After a brief discussion these recommendations were not accepted because of possible problems that may be created as a result. In an effort to assist Mr. Volpe with his parking problems, it was suggested by Selectman DelPrete that Sergeant Foley investigate the possibility of using the Worcester Gas Parking facilities in the evening. It was also suggested that the playground in the area might also be used for parking. Sergeant Foley will investigate this possibility as well.

TRAFFIC REGULATIONS:

The Board unanimously approved the following recommendations as submitted by Sergeant Foley:

No Parking - On Water St. north side between the two driveways to Hemenway School.

No Parking - 7:00 A.M. - 8:30 A.M. - TWO HOUR PARKING ZONE - O Howard St. both sides
from Grant St. to existing Parking meters.

CONCORD STREET AT DENNISON AVENUE:

The Board acknowledged receipt of a reply from Sergeant Foley regarding a petition received from the four business establishments on Concord St. at Dennison Avenue concerning parking problems. Sgt. Foley reported that after discussing this matter with one of the merchants it was felt that possibly angle parking could be provided on Dennison Avenue inasmuch as the street is wide enough. A meeting will be scheduled with Public Works Department, Engineering Department, Sgt. Foley and the Merchants for further discussion.

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POLICY STATEMENT REGARDING HOLIDAYS:

The Board acknowledged receipt of recommendations received from the Personnel Board regarding the policy on holidays which occur on Saturday and Sunday. Holidays falling on Sunday will be recognized and observed on Monday following that Sunday. Holidays falling on Saturday will be observed on the preceding Friday. The Board unanimously voted to accept this policy.

FIRST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE-SIGNS:

Upon the request of Reverend C. L. Newbert of the First Church of the Nazarene, the Board unanimously voted to grant permission to Reverend Newbert to have signs erected directing people to the location of the Church. He will be requested to confer with Safety Officer regarding size of signs.

SANTA'S MAILBOX:

Upon the request of the Framingham Jaycees, Inc., the Board approved the placement of a "Santa's Mailbox" in front of the Memorial Building. Approval was also granted for those locations specified in their letter of November 29, 1971, providing there is no objection by those parties involved.

AMTRAK MEETING:

The Board of Selectmen approved a request for transfer of funds for "out of state travel" in the amount of \$200. to enable Peter W. Ablondi and Robert McNally, who is a delegate to Framingham Transportation Committee, to attend a meeting in Washington relative to the improvement of rail passenger service in the local area.

EDGEHILL GROVE CEMETERY TRUSTEE RESIGNATION:

The Board of Selectmen noted with regret the resignation of Mrs. Margaret C. Esty as a Trustee of Edgell Grove Cemetery. The Board's appreciation and thanks will be extended Mrs. Esty. (Notification was received from Charles Long, Chairman of the Edgell Grove Cemetery in a letter under date of November 22, 1971.)

CODE BOOKS:

The Board acknowledged receipt of a letter from David F. Hoover, Executive Director of the Framingham Redevelopment Authority in which he requested the Board's approval for an expenditure of \$90.50 for the purpose of acquiring BOCA Code Books to be used by the Code Review Committee in their study.

MALINE-MANCUSO SIDEYARD VARIANCE:

The Board discussed further the developments of the Maline-Mancuso situation. It was noted that Mrs. Maline had contacted Mr. Livoli's attorney, and he advised her he would make an offer to Mr. Mancuso in writing. Upon the motion of Selectman Ablondi, it was voted to subpoena all the parties involved by next Monday night, December 6, 1971, provided no answer was received by Thursday, December 2, 1971, at 5:00 P.M.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING REQUEST-SCHOOL:

The Board of Selectmen acknowledged receipt of a letter from Dr. Albert L. Benson, Jr., Superintendent of Schools in which he requested, on behalf of the School Committee, that the Board call a Special Town Meeting, January 26, 1971 for the purpose of setting before the Town the school building requirements for the next ten years, and especially for the immediate future. Selectman Ablondi motioned that the meeting be called for January 26, 1971, with the stipulation that only School Articles will be allowed for this Special Town Meeting. The Board voted unanimously, on Selectman DelPrete's motion, to open the Warrant for the January 26, 1971 Special Town Meeting, with the provision set forth by Mr. Ablondi. Upon the motion of Selectman DelPrete, the Board voted unanimously to close the Warrant, to include only school articles.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 9:15 P.M.


John F. DelPrete, Clerk