

TOWN OF FRAMINGHAM

SELECTMEN'S RECORDS

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN SEPTEMBER 30, 1974

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:

#35 - Sept. 30, 1974 - Bill - \$447,343.92.
#36 - " " " - School Pay Roll - \$61,259.01
#37 - " " " - Pay Roll - \$1,271,898.88

AMUSEMENT LICENSES:

Everett Dion, antique sale and flea market, Framingham Motor Inn, 1600 Worcester Rd., Oct. 19, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Framingham Carousel Flea Market, at Old Conn. Path, (former Carousel Theatre Property) flea market, Oct. 14, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

WRESTLING MATCH LICENSE - Al Ritchie, Lower Nevins Hall, Memorial Building, Oct. 14, 6 p.m. to 12 p.m.

SUNDAY ENTERTAINMENT LICENSE - Everett Dion, antique sale and flea market, Oct. 20, Framingham Motor Inn, 1600 Worcester Rd.

MOTOR VEHICLE CLASS II LICENSE - Richard Oleson, 258 Irving St.

RATIFICATIONS:

Open, occupy and obstruct street--Commonwealth Gas Co. - Concord St., at Clark St., test and repair, Sept. 25 to Sept. 27.
Open, occupy & obstruct street - Fantoni Co. Inc., Lot 117 Lowry St., install water and sewer, Sept. 30 to Oct. 30.

APPLICATIONS FOR CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION:

The application of Thomas L. Doiron, 64 Willis Ave., Framingham, for a certificate of incorporation under the name of "The Way of Massachusetts, Inc." to be located at Mattick, was approved as far as the Framingham resident is concerned, and the Secretary of State so notified.

The application of Robert A. Fulton, 18 Sun Valley Dr., Framingham, for a certificate of incorporation under the name of "Logos Ministries of New England, Inc." to be located at 36 Union St., Framingham, was approved, and the Secretary of State so notified.

APPOINTMENTS:

Louis J. Croatti, 80 Bethany Rd., Framingham, was appointed a special police officer for a term of one year.
Mrs. Miriam H. Thomas, 163 Eaton Rd., was appointed a member of the Human Relations Commission for a term to expire May 1, 1975 (vice-Joan Heller, resigned).
Ellen Bell was appointed an Inspector in Precinct 10 for a term of one year.

VARIANCE-:

It was voted to authorize the Building Official to issue a permit to Framingham Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses, 94 Newbury St., for the construction of an addition to the rear of the existing building at 94 Newbury St., with a 20' rear yd.

JURORS:

The following were drawn to serve as Jurors on Nov. 4, 1974 at Cambridge:
Doherty, Chas. J., V.P. Sales & Service, The Clapper Co., 1121 Washington St., West Newton, Mass. (23 Larnis Rd., residence).
Felone, Wm. J., Prod. Foreman, Denn. Mfg. Co., Howard St., (196 Arthur St., residence).
Phillips, Norman A., Dir. Marketing Information, Rust Craft Meeting Cards, Inc., Rust Craft Rd., Dedham, (68 Angelica Dr. residence).
Mitchell, John S., stockbroker, Stermann & Gowell, Inc., 120 Water St., Boston, (17 Wayside Ave., residence).
Chiumento, Jos., Hairdresser, Self-employed, 957 Worcester Rd., (4 Alan St., residence).
Carter, Doris, M., Clerk, Newton School Dept., Watertown St., Newton, (100 Eaton Rd., residence).
Oster, Arthur J., Power Eng., Stone & Webster Corp., 225 Franklin St., Boston, (18 Spring Lane, residence).
Foley, Timothy P., Senior Eng., Raytheon Co., Bedford, Mass. (59 Warren Rd., residence).
Allcroft, Robert L., Claims Examiner, Liberty Mutual Ins., 175 Berkeley St., Boston, (22 Whittemore Rd., residence).

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JURORS-cont.:

The following were drawn to serve as Jurors on Nov. 4, 1974 at Lowell:
MacKenzie, James H., Jr., Supt. Body Shop, General Motors Assembly Div., (29 Whitney Ave., residence).
Walant, Chas. A., Sr. Eng., Raytheon Co., Missile Systems, Div., Hartwell Rd., Bedford, (4 Patricia Rd., residence).
Taricano, Victor J., Salesman, Leshore Calgift Corp. of Penna., (43 Pinewood Dr., residence).

PROCLAMATION: - *Stick Up For Breakfast* was officially proclaimed by the Board of Selectmen.

CONFERENCE - COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACT:

Planning Director Christy Maltas and members of the Redevelopment Authority conferred with the Board regarding the Housing and Community Development Act as it affects Framingham. Mr. Maltas outlined the Community Development Act - which is federally funded and separate from Operation 275 - noting the funds could be used for acquisition of blighted property; rehabilitation and code enforcement, demolition and clearance, construction of community facilities, public services, relocation payments and administrative costs. He told the Board that under the provisions of the Act Framingham is allocated \$248,000 per year for at least the next three years only if it submits an application to HUD before April 15, 1975, and preferably before January 1, 1975, outlining a three year plan of community development needs and objectives. In summary, Mr. Maltas explained it was essential to move quickly and recommended to the Board of Selectmen that they:

1. Authorize the Planning Director to submit an application to HUD for funds under the Housing and Community Development Act and to direct the town's community development program.
2. Authorize the Planning Director, subject to approval of the Executive Secretary, to enter into a contract with a planning consultant for services for the preparation of an application to HUD.
3. Establish a Community Development Board to participate in the planning process. The Board should contain individuals who represent different interest groups and particularly low-income neighborhoods in town.

Concern was expressed by Chairman King and Peter Ablondi over what would happen to the Program if Federal Funds were suddenly no longer available. Mr. Maltas explained that planning would be done year to year in anticipation of funding - emphasizing a re-evaluation would be done each year. He noted also that additional funds will be made available at a later date for communities which develop innovative demonstration projects. Mr. DelPrete cautioned against high rise apartments in an already dense area. He noted that the South section of Town does not want more apartment buildings and are interested only in reconditioning these homes and not interested in building new ones. They are concerned about picking up the area. Other questions were raised in connection with the Act - one from John King as to which Board would have jurisdiction. Mr. Maltas said it would be the Board the Selectmen appointed. Walter McLeod, Director of the Framingham Redevelopment Authority, expressed his support of the program and suggested that the Redevelopment Authority could administer the program since it would be a saving in staff, and costs would be shared. Henry McKeown, another member of the Redevelopment Authority, told the Board that acceptance of the grant would create a duplication of duties of existing town boards. He said the Building Code should take care of such action. George Seeley, Bldg. Official, said he was disturbed because of criticism of lack of enforcement in the existing laws, however, he pointed out that they did the very best they could with a limited staff. Mr. Horace Hill, FRA Member, suggested that it might be possible to use some of the funds to pay additional staff for the building department. After further discussion, it was voted to accept the Planning Director's recommendations and he was authorized to proceed with the necessary steps for submission of the application to HUD.

SIDEYARD VARIANCE - STEARNS:

At the request of Stephen P. Weitz, Attorney for Steven Stearns, it was voted to further table Mr. Stearn's request for a sideyard variance at 1 Mohawk Drive, for a period of two weeks. Mr. & Mrs. Cronin, opposing abutters, were present to ask the Board not to delay action any further since the matter had been pending for some time. John King suggested not delaying the matter any further also because evidence submitted previously indicated there was clearly a violation of the zoning by-laws. After further discussion, however, Mr. King supported John DelPrete's motion to grant Mr. Weitz's request for a two week delay as a matter of courtesy.

LIQUOR EXTENSION - WAYSIDE MOTEL, INC.:

It was unanimously voted, on the request of Wayside Motel, Inc., to grant permission to Wayside Motel, Inc. to remain open until 2:00 A.M. for the purpose of selling alcoholic beverages on Friday evenings only, for the remainder of 1974.

PLEASANT STREET SIDEWALK:

Status report was received from the Town Engineer regarding Pleasant Street sidewalk - Hickey to Vaillencourt Drive. Also submitted was an estimate to install granite curb and seven foot wide bituminous walk. After further discussion it was decided to refer the matter back to the Sidewalk Committee.

COUNCIL ON AGING MEMBER RESIGNATION:

The Board accepted with regret the resignation of Norman K. Booth as a member of the Council On Aging.

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HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION:

It was unanimously voted to appoint Mrs. Miriam H. Thomas a member of the Human Relations Commission for a term to expire May 1, 1975, to fill the vacancy caused by Joan Heller, recently resigned member.

SPARE CROSSING GUARDS:

The Executive Secretary was directed to investigate the status of funding for spare crossing guards.

VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR:

Unanimously appointed Carolyn P. Fuller to the position of Volunteer Coordinator.

APPLICATION FOR BEER AND WINE LICENSE - THE EARTH WORKS:

Mr. Ronald Tosti appeared before the Board concerning his application for a Retail Beer and Wine license for The Earth Works located at 282 Worcester Road, Framingham. Mr. Tosti reviewed in detail why he wished the beer and wine license and asked the Board for their favorable approval in order that it could be used in conjunction with his American Crafts Gift Store (The Earth Works). Opposition to the granting of the license had been expressed by several of the residents of Aberdeen Road, which abuts the rear of the parking lot, because of their concern over an increase in traffic which would result from the operation. A number of questions were raised; i.e. whether a parking plan has been approved for this type of operation; whether Mr. Tosti would consider the erection of a barrier to exclude egress onto Aberdeen Road. Mr. Tosti was also advised that the Board would be interested in seeing an engineering plan indicating a layout of the parking lot, etc. After further discussion, the matter was taken under advisement. Mrs. Gherna was instructed to investigate the availability of beer and wine retail licenses.

FLEA MARKETS - YARD SALES:

Brief discussion was held concerning the legality of yard sales. Town Counsel clarified that it is one of degree. He explained that a flea market is a business where a yard sale has been viewed as a use which is almost an accessory to a single family home. He noted that if people were dissatisfied they should come before the Building Official who is the enforcing authority.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 9:45 P.M.


John F. DelPrete, Clerk