

TOWN OF FRAMINGHAM
SELECTMEN'S RECORDS

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN - SEPTEMBER 13, 1982

The regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held at 7:30 P.M. Present: Chairman John F. King, Claire F. Lavin, Clerk and John F. DelPrete. Executive Administrator Matthew P. Clarke was also present.

WARRANTS:

#40 - September 13, 1982 - Bills #822,936.20
#41 - " " " Block Grant \$1,360.19
#42 - " " " Bills \$346,979.03
#43 - " " " Payroll \$960,769.92

RATIFICATIONS:

Permit to open, occupy & obstruct street -

Commonwealth Gas Co. - 2 Hill crest Road, 9/14-10/1/82

New England Tel. & Tel. Co. - Pole 14 to 16, #510-#514, Pole 74 to 72, #690-700 Edgell Road, 9/15-10/15/82

New England Tel. & Tel. Co. - Edgell Road between Scott Drive & Pine Lane, 9/13-10/15/82

New England Tel. & Tel. Co. - Edgell Road in front of Lutheran Church, 9/13-10/15/82

APPOINTMENTS:

Special Police Officer:

Charles Labrache, 162 Forest Street, Sherborn, MA 01770

Paul Parisi, 18 Oriole Drive, Milford, MA 01757

HEARING:

New England Tel. & Tel. Company Petition -

Francis Brown of the New England Tel. & Tel. Company was present to petition the following permit from the Board:

Edgell Road - approximately 226 feet northerly from the intersection of Lyman Road, one (1) conduit road crossing from existing M.H. 613 to existing M.H. 646A.

Hearing no opposition John F. DelPrete made the motion to grant said permit. Claire F. Lavin seconded the motion. As usual, John King left the room to prevent any question of possible conflict of interest. The petition for conduit and service terminal location on Janice Circle was tabled for clarification of method of installation.

DISCUSSION - MAILING OF TAX BILLS - BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Chairman Tom Ball and member George Eck of the Board of Assessors met with the Selectmen to discuss the current situation concerning the mailing of tax bills. It was recommended by them that the same classification of real property be maintained as was established in the spring of 1982. This appears to result in a very minimal change if any in the proposed tax rate. The chairman of the Board of Assessors stated that they were still on schedule with their work to be certain that tax bills will be mailed no later than October 1, 1982. He further stated that the total valuations would be carried to the Department of Revenue this week and that after a required public hearing on the classification question on September 20, the final rate would be set during that week. It was further stated that this should allow sufficient time for the printing and mailing of tax bills no later than October 1, 1982.

DISCUSSION - VIDEO GAME LICENSES - SHOPPERS WORLD "DREAM MACHINE"

Applications for licenses for 60 video machines in conjunction with a restaurant operation at Shoppers World were reviewed by the Board of Selectmen. Representing the petitioner was Attorney Drew Rogers and Mr. Dan Levin, owner of the company. Mr. Rogers gave a background explanation of the proposed operation and a detailed description of the similar operations which are owned by the same company throughout New England. It was indicated that the hours of operation for the proposed restaurant and video game installation would coincide with those of the shopping center at Shoppers World. These were stated to be 9:30 A.M. to 9:30 P.M. with no operation on Sundays.

Selectman Claire Lavin stated that she was opposed to the issuance of such licenses because she could see no need for an additional video game center. Selectman J. DelPrete stated that he had a real concern over the undesirable element which is attracted by such operations and he could not see any real service to the public which would be rendered by the installation of such a restaurant and amusement center operation.

Several residents from various locations in Town stated their opposition to the granting of such licenses for many different reasons. The people making such statements included:

Debbie Needleman of 271 Central St., Mary DiManno, School Committee Member, Bruce Sikles of 29 Vallencourt Drive, Jean Sales of 29 Parker Rd., William Welch, Town Meeting Member, Nancy Bartolino of Marlboro, Framingham Teacher.

After hearing the presentation made by company representatives and comments from the audience, Selectman Lavin moved that the issuance of the licenses be denied because there had been no information presented which indicated that public necessity and convenience would be served by granting such licenses. Selectman DelPrete seconded the motion and the motion for denial was carried by a unanimous 3-0 vote.

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CONFERENCE - CARROLL BUS AND COACH - RE: PERMIT TO PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

Ms. Linda Carroll of Carroll Bus and Coach appeared on the request to authorize a closed-door operation from Natick Common to Shoppers World via Worcester Road and Worcester Street. She stated that this was a convenience to users of the Natick Neighborhood Bus System which her company had been contacted to provide. After hearing her presentation of the reasons for authorization, the Board voted unanimously on the motion of Selectman Lavin to grant the use of the route via Worcester Street and Worcester Road to Shoppers World.

The Board noted receipt on the following items:

1. Report of Fire Department Overtime - week ending September 4, 1982.
2. An invitation to join the National Association of Tele-Communications Officers and Advisors.
3. A letter concerning the General Motors shut-down from Norman Edwards of Shrewsbury.
4. A letter from the Police Chief concerning provision of traffic details for emergency street openings.
5. A letter from the Chairman of the Board of Public Works concerning the standard procedure for street opening and street obstruction details.

KENDALL LANE TRAFFIC PROBLEMS

The Board reviewed a letter from the Board of Public Works concerning the Kendall Lane traffic problems and voted unanimously to refer to the Engineering Department and Police Department for their review and recommendations as requested.

EXEMPTION TO PURCHASING BY-LAW, SECTION 9N

At the request of the Purchasing Agent, the Board voted unanimously to grant an exemption from Purchasing By-Law, Section 9N for the purpose of entering into a one year service contract for computers in the School Department.

SPECIAL FIFTEEN MINUTE PARKING SIGNS - WAVERLY STREET

At the request of Waverly Auto Parts, 382 Waverly Street, the Board authorized the installation of 15-minute parking signs in front of the Auto Parts operation and the A & A Fruit Stand. A total of 3 signs were authorized in front of the Auto Parts Store and one in front of the A & A Fruit Stand. The signs will be provided by the petitioner.

REPORT OF FRAMINGHAM TERMINAL AREA DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

A report submitted by the Planning Director was briefly reviewed by the Board and tabled until the next meeting for comment.

PERIODIC OBSTRUCTIONS OF LEXINGTON STREET

A letter from the Director of Libraries requested that the Library Department be notified in advance and signs be placed at both ends of Lexington Street notifying citizens of legal entry to the Library garage from the Lincoln Street end in the event that the street may be closed off for vehicles servicing the Telephone Company. The Board voted unanimously to refer this request to the Police Department and asked that the recommended procedures be followed.


PROPOSALS FOR PURCHASE OF LINCOLN SCHOOL PROPERTY

The Board reviewed the letter submitted by the Framingham Union Hospital which stated that they would offer a price for sale to them of not less than \$700,000 nor more than the highest proposal price submitted by other interested developers. They also reviewed the sealed bids from the Strehlke Co. and Kuhlmann & Co. The Strehlke Co. offered to pay \$700,000 to the Town for the Lincoln School property. The Kuhlmann Co. repeated their original proposal of \$400,000 upon transfer of title and \$150,000 additional upon completion of building #2. In a discussion of procedures for the Special Town Meeting, it was agreed that the Planning Department would work with the Real Property Committee to prepare a fact sheet for the assistance of the Town Meeting Members in their deliberations.

APPOINTMENT - INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY

On the motion of Chairman King, Mr. George Sibley was appointed to a 5-year term on the Industrial Development Finance Authority scheduled to terminate on May 1, 1987.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:15 P.M.



CLAIRE F. LAVIN, CLERK