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Selectmen's Minutes 10-04-2004

TOWN OF ARLINGTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Meeting Minutes
 Monday, October 4, 2004
 8:00 p.m.

Present: Mrs. Mahon, Chair, Mr. Hurd, Vice Chair, Mrs. Dias, and Mr. Greeley.
 Also present: Mr. Sullivan, Mr. Maher, and Mrs. Krepelka.
 Absent: Mr. Lyons.

1. NStar Petition: W.O. #1362557
 Mystic Street, to rebuild manhole #5681 in Mystic St. & Summer St., necessary to upgrade existing electrical facilities
 (all abutters notified)
 Mr. Greeley moved approval. SO VOTED (4-0)

APPOINTMENTS & REAPPOINTMENTS

2. Appointment: Council on Aging Board
 Dr. Robert Carey
 (term to expire 9/4/07)
 Mr. Hurd moved approval. SO VOTED (4-0)
3. Appointment: Board of Cemetery Commissioners
 Franklin W. Hurd
 (term to expire 10/4/07)
 Mr. Hurd moved approval. SO VOTED (4-0)
4. Appointment: Historical Commission
 Richard Duffy
 (term to expire 10/4/07)
 Mr. Hurd moved approval. SO VOTED (4-0)
5. Reappointment: Historical Commission
 Joanne Robinson
 (term to expire 10/4/07)
 Mr. Greeley moved approval. SO VOTED (4-0)

LICENSES & PERMITS

6. Request: One-Day All Alcoholic Beverage License @ St. Camillus Church Hall
 Anthony Dello Russo, Retired Men's Club of Arlington
 Mr. Greeley moved approval subject to conditions set forth. SO VOTED (4-0)

7. Request: Banner on Town Hall from 11/1-11/8

Mary Sweeney, St. Agnes Bazaar on 11/5-11/6

Mr. Greeley moved approval subject to conditions set forth. SO VOTED (4-0)

8. Request: 3 One Day All Alcohol Licenses

Lee-Ann Pepicelli, Arlington Catholic High School

10/30/04, 6:30 p.m.-12:00 p.m., 2nd Annual Harvest Fest

3/19/04, 5:00 p.m.-12:00 p.m., Annual Quiz Night Fundraiser

4/15/05, 7:00 p.m.-12:00 p.m., Annual \$10,000 Drawing.

Mr. Greeley moved approval subject to conditions set forth. SO VOTED (4-0)

9. Hearing: Board of Survey

Colonial Circle

The Board of Selectmen discussed having abutters notified even though the law does not stipulate this and that more information is needed-no plans were included. There will be a future hearing and the audience was asked to sign up with Mrs. Krepelka so they would be notified.

Mr. Hurd moved to table. SO VOTED (4-0)

10. Hearing: Board of Survey

Knowles Farm

Again the Board of Selectmen discussed the need for more information such as a plot plan and that the neighbors be notified.

Mr. Greeley moved to table. SO VOTED (4-0)

11. Request: Use of Whittemore Park, 10/23/04

Michelle O'Shea

Ms. O'Shea wants to hold a bake sale to raise funds to help the Red Cross in Florida to help flood victims due to the hurricanes.

Mr. Greeley moved approval. SO VOTED (4-0)

12. **CITIZENS OPEN FORUM**

This matter was presented for consideration of the Board.

Mr. Yes Baril, resident of 155 Summer St., requested that the Board of Selectmen please fix the sewerage back up problem from the street that backs up into his house with every heavy rain.

Mr. Baril has paid to have the pipes video taped and Crescent Plumbing found the back up is caused from a big root ball in the town main. Mr. Baril feels it is a health hazard and nuisance for his family. Mr. Hurd stated he would like Mr. Baril to be reimbursed if it is the Town's problem.

Mr. Greeley made a motion to refer this matter to the Town Manager and have him report back to the Board. SO VOTED (4-0)

TRAFFIC RULES & ORDERS/OTHER BUSINESS13. Request: On Street Overnight Parking @ 37 Brantwood Rd.

Harry Lipson & Beverly Ketchen

The Board of Selectmen voted to follow the recommendation of Lt. James McHugh to issue a temporary permit up to 1 year to park one car overnight on street. Mrs. Dias requested a time limit of 3 months for Mr. Lipson to come back to the Board with plans to install a garage and /or driveway.

Mr. Hurd moved approval of recommendation. SO VOTED (4-0)

14. Request: On Street Overnight Parking @ 22 Sherborn St.

Adam Schoen & Kristan Collier

The recommendation from the Police Department is for no action. The Selectmen discussed the complexity

of overnight parking. As an alternative, they can buy a municipal overnight permit. The B.O.S. asked the tenants to talk to the landlord asking them to allow parking of their 2 cars. Mr. Greeley asked Mrs. Krepelka to write a letter but the tenants asked to speak first to the landlord and then communicate back if they need additional help.

Mr. Hurd moved no action. SO VOTED (4-0)

15. Request: On Street Overnight Parking @ 1448 Mass. Ave.

Lisa Taquino

After some discussion the Board realized the previous tenant had a permit.

Mr. Greeley moved approval. SO VOTED (4-0)

16. Request: Waiver of Parking, 11/5/04, 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Barbara Tosti, Staff Counselor, Arlington Youth Consultation Center

Mr. Greeley moved approval. SO VOTED (4-0)

17. Request: Payment of Bills

Cyrus E. Dallin Art Museum

Mr. Hurd moved approval. SO VOTED (4-0)

18. Request: Proclamation

Carolyn Parsons, President, League of Women Voters of Arlington

October 24th United Nations Day.

Mr. Greeley moved approval for a formal proclamation. SO VOTED (4-0)

19. Discussion: Placement of Sandwich Boards

Carolyn Parsons, President, League of Women Voters of Arlington

Joan Martin proposed the League purchase and set up voting signs for Elections. She suggested placing signs at the entrances of Arlington Town lines and one at Jason St.

Mr. Greeley suggests the Town Manager help with the process and possibly reuse for different notifications. Mr. Hurd would like the Town to look into investing in them and also coordinate with DPW for advice.

Mr. Greeley moved approval. SO VOTED (4-0)

20. Discussion: Little League Proposal (Buck Field)

Paul Carroll/David Cunningham

Mr. Hurd stated Arlington Little League would like to propose lights at Buck Field, funded by the League. Mr. Sullivan would need to research and recommend action.

Mrs. Mahon suggested lead poles not wood poles and possibly use Musko Lighting.

Mr. Cunningham stated he met with both Hubbell Lighting and Musko Lighting and found Hubbell more willing to work with them regarding price and warrantee. Mr. Sullivan stated he has been involved in Winchester on a very similar state of the art project.

Mr. Hurd moved to continue researching this proposal. SO VOTED (4-0)

21. Discussion: Article 49 of 2004 Warrant, Annual Town Meeting, Post Employment Medical Benefits Committee

John J. Bilafer, Treasurer

Mr. Greeley moved to appoint Mrs. Dias to the Committee. SO VOTED (4-0)

22. Discussion: Finard & Company v. Arlington Conservation Commission

John F. Maher, Town Counsel

Mr. Hurd moved to table until the meeting on the 18th. SO VOTED (4-0)

23. Request: Memorial for Capt. Joseph X. Grant

William F. McCarthy, Veterans' Service Officer

Mr. Greeley moved to table until the meeting on the 18th. SO VOTED (4-0)

24. Discussion: Reserve Fund Request and Telephone Consulting RFP

Ruth Lewis, Comptroller & Coordinator of Information Systems

Wants to document the already approved agreement.

Mr. Greeley moved approval to move forward. SO VOTED (4-0)

25. Report: Snow & Ice Sub-Committee

Diane M. Mahon, Chair, Board of Selectmen/John W. Hurd, Selectman

Mr. Hurd reported on the last meeting that a list of 8 items that were addressed. Procedures were established and they will develop a written report as a policy. These policies and procedures will give a jump-start on this year's snow and ice removal.

Mr. Greeley moved to receive report. SO VOTED (4-0)

Correspondence Received

Ron Fitzgerald Letter of thanks relative to Proclamation Be Rec'd
Superintendent
Minuteman

Frederick Kingsley \$75 million appropriation Be Rec'd

Jean Morrissey Baby Safe Haven law Be Rec'd
Michael Morrissey
15 Clelland Rd.
Lexington

Edmund Cucco Meeting request Be Rec'd
164 Pleasant St.

This is a request to review commercial traffic on Pleasant Street.

Mr. Greeley recommends this be referred to the Transportation Advisory Committee for review. Mrs. Mahon also recommends Forest St. and Summer St. be included in this referral.

Mr. Greeley moved receipt of correspondence. SO VOTED (4-0)

NEW BUSINESS

Mrs. Krepelka announced that Thursday night October 7th the Town is hosting a dinner for the Japanese Delegation. She asked all Selectmen to attend 6:00pm-9:00pm.

Mr. Sullivan reported that coalition bargaining with the school workers is taking place this Thursday. He would also like to set up a meeting with the Board regarding fire station repair/capital planning and how to proceed. Mr. Greeley suggested a capital planning meeting be held in the beginning of November.

Mr. Hurd reported there are two openings on the Transportation Advisory Committee that need to be advertised. He asked Mrs. Krepelka to take care of this directing that one member appointee is an at-large member while the other needs to be appointed by the Chamber of Commerce. He would like to review applications and set up interviews.

Mr. Hurd expressed to the Board he is concerned with the closing of St. Jerome's church. He would 1st like the Archdiocesan to sell the property to another church and 2nd if not then it be developed similar to the rest of the surrounding neighborhood- 4 to 5 cape and/or garrison style homes.

Mr. Hurd announced a fundraiser for the Fox Library on October 24th at 2:00pm, at the Capital Theater, a showing of the Wizard of Oz.

Mrs. Mahon reported that Charlotte Pierce requested to have a cable program called Ole Arlington and that she would like short comments from each Selectmen to air on the program. At the end of the October 18th meeting she would like each Selectmen to take a few minutes to record their comments.

Mrs. Mahon announced there is an opening on the Redevelopment Board due to Nora Mann's resignation from the Board after many years of service.

The next Budget & Revenue Task Force meeting should be scheduled for November 4th or sometime after the 11th or 18th. Mrs. Mahon asked Mrs. Krepelka to take care of this.

Mrs. Mahon also asked Mrs. Krepelka to have Kevin O'Brien come to a meeting to do an update report on Reed's Brook.

Mrs. Mahon also thanked Mr. Sanchez for his update report on the DPW. She asked if he would please communicate the sweeping schedule to the public.

Mr. Greeley moved to adjourn.

SO VOTED (4-0)

A true record: Attest:

Marie A. Krepelka
Board Administrator