

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
AUGUST 29, 2005  
REGULAR SESSION MINUTES  
“APPROVED”**

**Present:** George F. Dillon, Jr., Chair; Robert W. Nordblom, Clerk (arrived at 6:41); Peter S. Cunningham, Member; Mihran Keoseian, Member Administrative Officer Jean E. Kitchen; and Kathleen Newell, Office Assistant

**Absent:** John L. Saball, Vice Chair

The meeting opened at 8:04 a.m.

**Order of Taking for Canterbury Lane**

*Mr. Nordblom moved an Order of Taking for Canterbury Lane, as further described in the Order of Taking drafted by Town Counsel, dated August 29, 2005. Seconded by Mr. Cunningham. 4 in favor, 1 absent (Saball).*

**Other Business:**

Mr. Cunningham asked if there would be a meeting before the Special Town Meeting and suggested having the Parks Commissioners present for a discussion with Town Counsel regarding the issue of commons and monuments. Mr. Nordblom stated that he had concerns regarding the whole issue and there should be some public forum for placing and moving of monuments. Mr. Nordblom asked if there were any procedures in place.

Mr. Dillon asked if there were procedures in place for the school committee appointment. Ms. Kitchen stated that Groton-Dunstable Regional School District will forward any submission by interested parties to the Board of Selectmen. Mr. Dillon asked if the vacancy needed to be advertised. Mr. Keoseian stated that it should be. Ms. Kitchen stated she would call the Superintendent's office and determine where the interested parties should be directed in the advertisement. Ms. Kitchen stated that the Board has 30 days from the date of notification to fill the position and if the School Committee does not submit any recommendations, the Board has the right to fill it.

Mr. Cunningham asked if anyone had read the minutes of the meeting from the Prescott School renovations, stating that he was disturbed by what he had read. Ms. Kitchen stated that John Estabrook had not been notified of those meetings, but would be sitting in on the next one and addressing the concerns.

**ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER REPORT**

Ms. Kitchen stated that she had spoken with a representative of Verizon regarding the Four Corners intersection and was told that the work would be completed in October. Ms. Kitchen informed them that was unacceptable as Shaw's planned to open in October and could not open until the traffic lights were installed and working.

Ms. Kitchen stated the Community Preservation Commission would be meeting on September 7, 2005 and the Board's application to the CPA for the Norris property would be reviewed.

Ms. Kitchen stated that Steve Webber had drafted the Finance Committee budget letter and was submitting it for the Board's review.

Ms. Kitchen requested if the members had a preference for presenting the STM articles. Mr. Dillon stated he would speak to the Union Contract and Mr. Saball should address Article 1. Mr. Cunningham stated he would speak to Article 4 & 5.

Ms. Kitchen confirmed that the Board would meet at 6:00 p.m. on September 12, 2005, prior to the Special Town Meeting.

**SELECTMEN LIAISON REPORT**

Mr. Nordblom stated that he would be meeting with Barbara Ganem regarding encroachment on Conservation land by abutting properties. Mr. Nordblom stated that he had not heard anything from the Country Club and he would contact them to find out the status of the audit.

Mr. Keoseian asked if there were a scorecard of the CPA application requests vs. amount of funds available. Ms. Kitchen stated she would find out.

*Mr. Cunningham moved to adjourn at 8:43 a.m. Seconded by Mr. Nordblom. 4 in favor, 1 absent (Saball).*

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Robert W. Nordblom, Clerk

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respectfully *submitted*,  
Kathleen Newell  
Office Assistant

Date Approved: September 19, 2005