

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
MINUTES  
APRIL 3, 2006  
“APPROVED”**

**Present:** George F. Dillon, Jr., Chair; John L. Saball, Vice Chair; Peter S. Cunningham, Member; Mihran Keoseian, Member; Jean E. Kitchen, Administrative Assistant; and Kathleen Newell, Office Assistant

**Absent:** Robert W. Nordblom, Clerk

*The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m.*

**Public Hearing – Road Layout – Rockwood Lane**

[ X ] 1. Hearing Opened at 7:04 P.M.

*Mr. Saball moved to open the public hearing at 7:04 p.m. Seconded by Mr. Cunningham. 4 in favor, 1 absent (Nordblom).*

[ X ] 2. Read Legal Notice  
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2a. 13 Certified Abutter Notification mailed on March 15, 2006  
0 Return Receipts are outstanding.

[ X ] 3. Query audience for support either written or in person.  
Mr. Minott of 20 Rockwood Lane reviewed the history of the subdivision and asked that the Board approve the Road Layout of Rockwood Lane. Ms. Kitchen noted that there would be another step after the Town Meeting approval of the Road Acceptance which would be an Order of Taking and

[ X ] 4. Query audience for objection either written or in person.

[ X ] 5. Hearing Closed at 7:10 P.M.

*Mr. Saball moved to close the Joint Public hearing at 7:38 p.m. Seconded by Mr. Cunningham. 4 in favor, 1 absent (Nordblom).*

*Mr. Saball moved to approve the laying out of Rockwood Lane as a public way, as further described and shown on a Plan entitled “Road Asbuilt/Street Acceptance Plan, in Groton, Mass.” Dated January, 2002, by Dillis & Mische, Inc. Seconded by Cunningham. 4 in favor, 1 absent (Nordblom).*

**Board of Selectmen to take Positions on Warrant Articles**

Article	Support	Opposed	@ Town Meeting	Article	Support	Opposed	@ Town Meeting
Article 1	4			Article 8	4		
Article 2	4			Article 9	4		
Article 3	4			Article 10			4
Article 4	4			Article 11	4		
Article 5	4			Article 12	4		
Article 6	4			Article 13	4		
Article 7	4			Article 14	3		1
Article	Support	Opposed	@ Town Meeting	Article	Support	Opposed	@ Town Meeting
Article 15	3	1		Article 22	4		
Article 16	4			Article 23	4		
Article 17	4			Article 24	4		
Article	4			Article 25	4		

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Article 19	4			Article 26	4		
Article 20	4			Article 27	4		
Article 21	0	1	3				

Article 6 – The report will be available at the Town Hall, Library, Moison’s Ace Hardware, the Post Offices, Sherwin’s Store and the Senior Center.

### **Special Town Meeting Warrant Articles**

Article	Support	Opposed	@ Town Meeting
Article 1	4		
Article 2			4
Article 3	2		2
Article 4			4
Article 5	4		

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

#### **Declare Surplus Equipment- Recreation Department**

*Mr. Saball moved to declare as surplus play group equipment and toys from the Recreation Department as detailed in the attached inventory list (enclosed herein). Seconded by Mr. Cunningham. 4 in favor, 1 absent (Nordblom).*

#### **Community Center/Land Research Committee Makeup and Appointments**

*Mr. Saball moved to approve the Committee Charge for the Community Center/Land Research Committee and appoint the following members: Karen Riggert as Groton Community Foundation Representative; Steven Webber as Groton Community Foundation Representative*

*Valerie Spencer as Groton Country Club Authority Representative; Julie Alnwick as Member-at-Large; Robin Kane as Member-at-Large; Karen Tuomi as Member-at-Large; Michelle Collette as Member-at-Large; George Moore as Member-at-Large; Chris Wood as Member-at-Large, terms to expire June 30, 2006. Seconded by Mr. Cunningham. 4 in favor, 1 absent (Nordblom).*

### **ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER REPORT**

Ms. Kitchen stated that Town Counsel had not received any further information from Attorney Bob Collins regarding the use of Town Counsel by the Housing Authority for the purchasing of housing units. Mr. Cunningham stated he would contact Attorney Collins. Mr. Cunningham stated that fully supported the use of Town Counsel for the Housing Authority to obtain housing units which would stay on the Town’s housing inventory of affordable units in perpetuity.

*Mr. Cunningham moved to approve the use of Town Counsel by the Housing Authority for the purchasing of affordable housing units on Sandy Pond Road in an amount not to exceed \$2,500, provided the Housing Authority expend its available funds prior to use of Town funds. Seconded by Mr. Saball. 4 in favor, 1 absent (Nordblom).*

### **SELECTMEN LIAISON REPORT**

Mr. Dillon stated that the TPL Steering Committee was meeting every Monday at 7:30 a.m. and was a good opportunity for people to get information on the proposed land purchase.

Mr. Dillon stated that there would be negotiations for the Police Union and the SEIU 888 Library/Town Hall employees Union this week.

Mr. Keoseian stated that he had attended a meeting with Ms. Kitchen, Ms. Sarah Campbell, and Ms. Valerie Jenkins to discuss strategy for presenting the request for the Personnel Manager to Town Meeting. Mr. Keoseian stated that there would be a meeting on Friday at 1:00 p.m. with the employees to answer questions and present the duties and benefits of a Personnel

Manager.

**MINUTES**

*Mr. Saball moved to approve the Regular Session Minutes of March 13, 2006, as amended. Seconded by Mr. Cunningham. 4 in favor, 1 absent (Nordblom).*

*Mr. Saball moved to enter into Executive Session in accordance with MGL Chapter 39, Section 23B, for the purpose of discussing strategy with respect to contract negotiations for Personal Contracts for the Fire Chief, Police Chief, Administrative Officer, and Town Accountant and will not reconvene in Open Session. Seconded by Mr. Cunningham. Roll Call Vote: Dillon – yes; Saball – yes; Cunningham – yes; Keoseian – yes.*

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ respectfully submitted,  
George F. Dillon, Jr. Chairman Kathleen Newell  
Office Assistant

Enclosure: Recreation Department Inventory List for Surplus Equipment/Toys

Date Approved: April 10, 2006