

**MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting called to order by Ms. O’Keeffe at 6:31 p.m.

**ATTENDANCE**

Present: Alisa Brewer (6:38), Aaron Hayden, Diana Stein, Gerry Weiss (6:50), Stephanie O’Keeffe

Absent: None

Town Manager Larry Shaffer

Town Staff:

Members of the Public: Pat Holland, Jim Wald, Louis Greenbaum, Carol Gray

**SELECT BOARD'S ACTION**

**Library Budget Proposal**

Ms. Holland summarized the Library Trustees proposal to Town Meeting: to decrease the capital budget by \$30,000, money that was to have gone for exterior repairs at the Jones Library. The repairs would instead be proposed for funding with Community Preservation Act money, instead of that money being used for signage for a downtown Writers’ Walk, as already approved by Town Meeting. When the library portion of the budget is considered, the Trustees would then move that it be increased by \$34,704. Mr. Wald expressed the Historical Commission’s opposition to the proposal: that the Library repair was not a historical preservation priority and was a result of deferred maintenance; and that this proposal was outside of the appropriate process. The commission also opposed that it involved taking money from an already-approved historical preservation project. Mr. Greenbaum summarized the CPAC position: that it opposed the original proposal to use funds from the unappropriated fund balance but supported reallocating the Writers’ Walk signage money. (Mr. Greenbaum noted that he opposed that reallocation, and opposed the process for considering the library’s proposal.) Points were summarized from the Select Board’s original discussion on the library budget, when after much consideration, it supported the Finance Committee’s recommendation and opposed the Library Trustees’ recommendation. After further discussion, it was determined that the Select Board would stand by its original recommendation.

**AGREED** by consensus that the Select Board reaffirmed support for its previous budget recommendations, including the library, capital and CPA/historic preservation.

**Committee Appointments**

**VOTED** unanimously to appoint Stefan Cejic, Human Rights Commission, for a term to begin July 1, 2009 and expire June 30, 2011.

**VOTED** unanimously reappoint the following effective July 1, 2009:

- Jon Nelms, Committee on Homelessness, for a term to expire June 30, 2012
- Reikka Simula, Committee on Homelessness, for a term to expire June 30, 2012
- Nancy Gregg, Housing Partnership/Fair Housing Committee, for a term to expire June 30, 2012
- Lois Raj, Human Rights Commission, for a term to expire June 30, 2012

- Reynolds Winslow, Human Rights Commission, for a term to expire June 30, 2012
- Stephanie Joyce, Kanegasaki Sister City Committee, for a term to expire June 30, 2012
- Kathleen Mullin, La Paz Centro, Nicaragua Sister City Committee, for a term to expire June 30, 2012
- Walter Mullin, La Paz Centro, Nicaragua Sister City Committee, for a term to expire June 30, 2012
- Barry Roberts, Town/Commercial Relations Committee, for a term to expire June 30, 2012
- Karen Kowles, Public Transportation & Bicycle Committee, for a term to expire June 30, 2011
- Frances VanTreese, Public Transportation & Bicycle Committee, for a term to expire June 30, 2011.

**ADJOURNMENT**

By consensus, the meeting adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

-- Respectfully submitted by Stephanie O'Keeffe