

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Ms. Awad at 4:07 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

Awad, Hubley, Kusner, Weiss, Greeney

SELECT BOARD'S ACTION

M40 Bus

VOTED unanimously to authorize the Amherst Select Board representative to the Amherst-Northampton transportation committee to finalize draft letter to Senator Baddour and Representative Wagner supporting Senate Bill 2315 so that it can be approved and signed at our February 27, 2006 Select Board meeting.

South East Street Easement

VOTED: Awad, Hubley, Kusner, Weiss voted "Aye", Greeney abstain, to ask the Town Manager to investigate the validity of the public easement across the land on South East Street owned by Levi Neilson Corp and report back to the Select Board at the February 27, 2006 Select Board meeting.

Town Manager Contract

VOTED unanimously to retain Lucas and Brackett, law firm, as Special Town Counsel, for the purpose of negotiating an employment contract with Larry Shaffer, Town Manager.

School Administrative and Teaching Data

VOTED unanimously to ask the School Committee for data on the number of administrative and teaching (broken down by classroom and non-classroom) positions, year by year, since 1996 and make this information available to the Select Board by March 6, 2006.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Ms. Greeney asked for the Select Board to take a position on use of reserves. Decision deferred to February 27, 2006 Select Board meeting.

Mr. Hubley asked if we wished to put nonbinding questions on the ballot. Draft questions could come in for next the February 27, 2006 Select Board meeting with need for final action to meet the February 28, 2006 deadline for ballot.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Executive Session

VOTED: Awad, Hubley, Kusner, Weiss, Greeney voted "Aye" to adjourn to executive session at 4:58 p.m. for the purpose of discussing non-union employee compensation. The open meeting will reconvene following the Executive Session.

Reconvene Open Meeting

Reconvened open meeting at 6:34 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

VOTED unanimously to adjourn the open meeting at 6:34 p.m.