

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

MEETING MINUTES

April 6, 2010
6:00 P.M.

Present: Chairman Knibbe, Selectmen Rosenzweig, Berry, Friedrichs, Town Manager, Steve Ledoux and Recording Secretary Maryjane Kenney

ACTON BOXBOROUGH REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL

ROOM 123 N (Faculty Dining)_Map Attached

I. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND APPOINTMENTS

NONE

II. SELECTMEN'S BUSINESS

1. Town Meeting Discussion Regarding Resolution on Article 33

Selectman Friedrichs said there will be a non-binding resolution in regards to this article from the floor of Town Meeting. She believes the current flood maps did not appear as accurate as they should be; she would like a non-binding resolution stating that the maps are not accurate. There were areas flooded during the recent storms that were not on the maps. Selectman Rosenzweig stated FEMA has just gotten into GIS maps and the plan is to go through the towns and update them going forward. The methodology for updating and delineating the flood plains is very complicated, and an area designated as a flood plain is a defined area based on certain calculations. Selectman Friedrichs is nervous as she has been told that the Charles River Basin is the only area they can afford to make changes to for updates to the flood maps. Selectman Friedrichs showed maps that Ron Beck was interested in using for his presentation on the resolution before the Board this evening.

Selectman Rosenzweig stated the flood plain is not determined by flood water but a model including elevation, water levels, lakes and drainage, soil, vegetation etc.

Chairman Knibbe asked, as a Board are we going to take a position. Selectman Rosenzweig made a motion that we take no position on the resolution as we have not had time to gather information on Ron Beck's point of view-- Selectman Friedrichs seconds. The map of Acton referred to in Article 33 is the same map as 1988 with LOMA changes added. LOMA changes are changes requested to FEMA to have a land parcel be included or excluded from the flood plain that were granted by FEMA. Selectman Gowing and Berry both stated that they are not comfortable with the process of last minute Town Meeting Resolutions with no time to research the material. Selectman Rosenzweig stated she is neutral. Chairman Knibbe made another motion to vote against the resolution due to a lack of procedure for review, Selectman Berry seconds. Selectman Friedrichs and Selectman Rosenzweig voted No and Chairman Knibbe and Selectmen

Berry and Gowing voted aye. The Board will oppose the resolution on procedural issues. Chairman Knibbe will present that the Board is opposed.

III. CONSENT AGENDA

Chairman Knibbe read the consent agenda.

2. **Accept Minutes, Board of Selectmen March 4, 2010**

Selectmen Rosenzweig moved to approve the Consent item, Selectmen Berry seconded. All voted aye with the exception of Selectmen Friedrichs who abstained.

Confidential Executive Session Minutes March 4, 2010: Selectman Gowing moved to approve, Selectman Rosenzweig seconds. All voted aye with the exception of Selectmen Friedrichs who abstained.

Extra Info: Draft Minutes, April 5, 2010: Selectman Friedrichs moved to approve Selectman Rosenzweig seconds, all voted Aye, Minutes approved.

Steve Ledoux will do the presentation on the Caoutte/Simeone land Article 33 out of order before Community Preservation articles.



Recording Secretary
Maryjane Kenney



Lauren Rosenzweig, Clerk

5/15/10

Date

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