

Minutes of the Special Select Board Meeting, November 17, 2016

Howard Bronstein, Phil Lococo, and Leslie Rule were present. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Energy Committee

The Board met with Energy Committee members Tim Walter and Conrad Liebenow to finalize the Green Communities Application for Plainfield. Phil moved to adopt the Energy Reduction Plan (Criteria 3) for the Green Communities Application. The motion, seconded by Leslie, was unanimously approved. Letters for the Energy reduction Plan and the Fuel Efficient Vehicle Policy adopted August 23, 2016 were signed.

All of the work done by Conrad towards the completion of the Green Communities Application was noted.

Tax Title Auction

Ann Irvine and Lina Bernstein approached the Board with concerning the short notice of the Tax Title auction of three Plainfield properties advertised for December 10, 2016. Ann stated the auction company did not have information about dates and times when the 345 Main Street property could be viewed. Lina also noted information wasn't yet available from Town Office personnel. Tax Title Custodian Allan Kidston has worked out dates and times prospective bidders will be able to view the property by appointment with Howard Bronstein. Leslie said she is also willing to schedule appointments for prospective bidders. Dates and times are: November 30th and December 1st and 2nd by appointment between 9:00 a.m. and 12 noon and on December 3rd from 2:00 and 4:00 p.m. Allan will prepare a waiver to be signed by prospective bidders prior to entering the buildings. Leslie will ask Brian Hawthorne to put information concerning the auction on the website.

Ann stated she hoped the goal was to get these properties back on the tax roles. Leslie asked for and received confirmation from Allan that contingencies could not be placed on properties being auctioned.

At 6:43 p.m. Howard moved to go into Executive Concession under M.G.L. c.30A, sec. 21 (a) (6) to consider the value of real property, noting open session may have

a detrimental effect on the position of the public body. The motion was seconded by Phil and passed unanimously; the roll call vote being Leslie “Yea”, Phil “Yea”, Howard “Yea”. The Board will reconvene in open session following the close of the executive session.

6:55 p.m. After reconvening, Leslie moved to appoint David Kramer to the Broadband Committee through June 30, 2017. Phil abstained from discussion and voting on this matter. The motion was seconded by Howard and was approved by Leslie and Howard.

The meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Paula J. King
Administrative Secretary