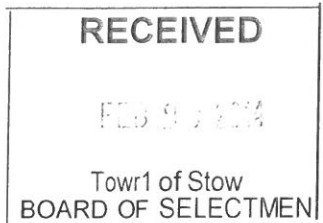


Minutes
Board of Selectmen
January 28, 2014
Executive Session



Present at the meeting that was held at the Town Building were Gary Bernklow, Donald Hawkes, Charles Kern, Thomas Ryan and James Salvie.

Ross Perry and Karen Kelleher were present as members of the 323 Great Road Access Negotiation Committee

Also present were Town Administrator, William Wrigley and Recording Secretary, Maureen Trunfio. The meeting was called to order at 8:15p.m.

Executive Session Re: 323 Great Road

At 8:15 PM Mr. Perry opened the Executive Session by reporting that two weeks prior, on January 14, 2014, in Executive Session, he, acting as a liaison from the First Parish Church (FPC) to the BaS, presented a MOU document to the BaS asking for \$26,000 in exchange for ownership of the property presently owned by the FPC. It was stipulated in the document that the property may only be used as a site for a fire station. The Selectmen were not in favor of supporting these items presented by the FPC. At the present meeting Mr. Perry said that the FPC would consider a good-neighbor discount and accept a price of \$15K from the Town as payment for the property at 323 Great Road.

Mr. Perry then presented two different plans to the BaS that each demonstrated possible access routes to the land where the potential fire station would be located off Great Road. The first plan showed access from the First Parish Church property. The second plan showed access from the Union Church. It was determined that the proposed driveway to the fire station would be longer when accessed from the Union Church. However, it was determined that the access route via the First Parish Church would potentially require more difficult excavation work, including "shaving down" of berms to the west and east. It was also mentioned that the Union Church offered the town free use of its septic system, whether the Town opted to use its property for access or not.

Mr. Perry told the BaS that the First Parish Church felt that it would have difficulty convincing its parishioners to give the land to the town without requesting a payment of some amount. Since the sense of the Board at the present meeting was that it would not be willing to pay the requested \$15K, Mr. Perry respectfully suggested that the BaS break off negotiations with the FPC and begin working with the Union Church to discuss details of access to the property.

Mr. Salvie made a motion to break off negotiations with the First Parish Church of Stow, and to authorize the Chairman to sign a letter to be sent to the First Parish Church signifying that the Board of Selectmen has come to the decision to break off negotiations with them. Additionally the Board agreed to commence invoicing the FPC for water usage and capital costs retroactive to January 1, 2013. The Board also voted that the \$26,000 capital cost for the FPC will be invoiced in increments over a period of three years. Mr. Bernklow seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously. Mr. Bernklow seconded the motion and it was passed by a unanimous roll call vote of the five members present, Mr. Bernklow, Mr. Kern, Mr. Hawkes, Mr. Ryan and Mr. Salvie.

With regard to the Water Service Utility Agreement, the Town voted to commence invoicing the FPC for water usage and capital costs retroactive to January 1, 2013. The Board also voted that the \$26,000 capital cost will be invoiced in increments over a period of three years.

Mr. Ryan made a motion to adjourn the Executive Session at 8:50PM. Mr. Kern seconded the motion and the motion was carried by a unanimous roll call vote of the five members present, Mr. Bernklow, Mr. Hawkes, Mr. Kern, Mr. Ryan and Mr. Sa/vie.

Respectfully submitted,

Maureen Trunfio
Board of Selectmen Recording Secretary