

## MINUTES

### DUXBURY SELECTBOARD MEETING

JANUARY 10, 2005

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Brusa at 6:08 pm. Selectboard members present were: Paul Brusa, Jill Smith, Harry Rook, JoAnn Berno and Fred Collins. Also present were: David Quenneville, Randy Berno, Charles Wallace, Jeff Isham, Vicky Viens, Cris Cote, Lars Dickson, Dan MacWalters, Ken Scott, Tom Vickery, Representative Robert Dostis and Jason Bathgate.

1. David Quenneville gave the road report for the month of December. He and the board had a discussion about the proposed 2005 Road Budget. David thought that the cuts proposed for 2005 were too severe and that the road budget always took the brunt of the cuts. Harry Rook said that he just wanted to get the budget to reflect the expenditures recorded for the past few years. A compromise was reached by adding funds to equipment maintenance and garage equipment. David also wanted funds restored to historical levels for gravel and sand, but given the surplus of gravel already processed and stored, it was decided to leave the budget as proposed for a one year savings. David proposed getting a DSL line for the new telephone in the town garage and to extend it to the town office for faster computer service. He also suggested having the garage telephone number installed in the town office so the clerk could answer the phone when both employees were out of the garage. The board agreed. David had no other concerns.
2. The draft articles for the 2005 Town Meeting were completed and given to the clerk for inclusion in the Town Report.
3. Public Comment: Skip Wallace discussed concerns about the continuing problems with the Santimore property. Paul noted that the case was in the State Environmental Court and the board had done all it could legally.
4. Randy Berno, Chairman of the Development Review Board (DRB), discussed the DRBs review of the bids for the State Farm Property. The DRB favored the Bathgate bid as it most closely followed the town's zoning for that area.  
Motion - Jill Smith moved that the selectboard support the findings of the DRB and to transmit that finding to the State Joint Fiscal Committee. Second by JoAnn Berno.  
Approved 4-1.

5. The Budget Committee and the Selectboard reviewed the final proposed budget for 2005. Members of the Budget Committee asked for details concerning cuts in the Road Budget. Paul Brusa noted that they more closely reflected actual spending over the past two years. The Budget Committee commended the board for its fiscal prudence. Motion – Harry Rook moved that the selectboard approve the revised draft 2005 budget. Second by Fred Collins. Approved 4-1.
6. Tom Vickery discussed reappraisal of Duxbury properties as mandated by the State when current appraised values fell below 80% of current real values. Tom recommends the town start reappraisals this year and finish by 2006. The board will discuss the issue at the February meeting.
7. Motion – Paul Brusa moved to approve the Articles for the 2005 Town Meeting as revised. Second by Fred Collins. Approved 5-0.
8. Motion – Harry Rook moved to approve the minutes for the regular December Selectboard Meeting and the Special January Selectboard Meeting. Second by Jill Smith. Approved 5-0.
9. Old Business
10. Paul Brusa reported that the present contractor building the garage will dismantle and remove the present town garage for \$6800.  
Motion - Paul Brusa moved we accept the Delphia proposal to remove the present Town Garage for a price not to exceed \$6800. Second by Harry Rook. Approved 5-0.  
Paul Brusa asked for a special selectboard meeting on January 24, 2005 to review the report for the March Town meeting. The board agreed. Jill Smith will post the meeting
11. The meeting was adjourned at 9:45.