Carver Select Board Meeting Minutes Town Hall- meeting room #1 July 20, 2022 - 12:30pm

In accordance with MGL Chapter 30A, §20b, an emergency meeting was held – agenda attached

In Attendance: Chair Mark Townsend, Vice-Chair Sarah Hewins, John Cotter & Jim Hoffman, Town Administrator Robert Fennessy and Assistant Town Administrator Elaine Weston. Town Counsel Gregg Corbo also present.

Absent: Jen Bogart

Chair led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Cranberry Village Wells:

Fennessy stated the article was passed at Town Meeting and had to go to the state through special legislation to transfer the land. This then went to the State House Counsel and Executive Office of Environmental Affairs.

They informed us that for a water source, the land needs to be held in perpetuity. The wording currently states for general municipal purposes. This is a conflict and the language needs to be changed or taken out.

Sen. Pacheco was looking for the Board to look at making the change they are looking for via a roll call vote. The meeting was originally scheduled for Friday, and Fennessy received a call today stating the vote needed to be done today or it would 'die' in session.

Townsend questioned what would happen to the water source if CV ceases to exist in the future.

Corbo stated that the town has the ability to convey property subject to a right of reversion. The next step would be to create a P&S between the Town and Cranberry Village and part of that can include a right of reversion back to the Town of Carver. Corbo stated the Town Meeting article did not include any conditions on perpetual water use. Corbo did not have an opportunity to discuss this with the Office of Environmental Affairs on this.

It was too late to amend the language, but this change will allow the Board to approve this. Unless Town Meeting includes a special means for amendment, the Select Board has ability to make minor changes that are in line with the intent of the article.

Cotter confirmed that the intent of the article is still being met with this language. He questioned what happens if the right of revisions is not agreed upon with Cranberry Village. Corbo stated that the Town is not required to convey the property, if the right of revision is not included in the P & S Agreement.

Hewins asked about deed/conservation restriction for the land. Corbo stated the Board has the ability to control the uses of the land under the terms of the sale.

Hewins asked Fennessy if he had the opportunity to speak to the president of the Cranberry Village Association. Fennessy stated he has contacted Brenda Bakal and left a lengthy message in regards to today

Motion by Hewins to approve Section 1 & 2 as written in the packet conveying certain real property and the water wells, pumping station and other water infrastructure located thereon; and the Select Board is accepting the wording of the amended act as provided by the general court, second by Hoffman.

Roll call: affirmative: Hoffman, Hewins, Townsend, Cotter

Motion to adjourn by Hoffman at 12:45pm, second by Cotter.