



108 Main St Carver MA 2330

Meeting Minutes

Tape recorded by Robert Belbin

<p>Approved 07-15-2013</p>

Date: March 4, 2013 **Time:** 6:00
Agenda (exhibit A)

Members Present: Chairman Will Sinclair, Vice chairman Johanna Leighton, Secretary Robert Belbin, 1 vacant Gov. appointment.

Members not present: Treasurer Jack Franey

Public Present: Jack Hunter Town Planner, Steve Dewhurst.

Will Sinclair opened meeting at 6:00 with agenda 1 Appointment with Steve Dewhurst.

Item #1

Appointment: Stephen Dewhurst- In my role as a local business owner, to answer any questions you may have about the proposed gift from Semantics Consulting, Inc. to the town, and how it would interface with the operations of your committee.

Steve Dewhurst discussed the donation of recording equipment to the Town of Carver. He discussed the use of the equipments benefit to all towns boards and committees and the possible cost savings related to travel reimbursements by using professional services (legal, engineers, bond council) To facilitate remote participation in some way in the future. Be able to see a document and modify it without passing papers around. The proposed gift was tabled.

Sinclair: Were they looking for more information?

Dewhurst: I will not speculate why?

Jack Hunter: They were waiting for Johanna and Rick (Lafond) to come up with a policy.

Leighton: We have. been drafted and completed.

Dewhurst: The gift had nothing to do with remote participation. You could have remote participation right now with a telephone.

Sinclair: what will you gift have involved, similar to Dennis?.

Dewhurst: visually showed where items (donation) would be placed around the room, 55 in monitor, desktop PC, internet connection, compensate for wiring work, wireless keyboard, mouse, desktop mic, web cam,

Leighton: Are you proposing to do both rooms? In your original donation you were going to do both rooms.

Dewhurst: Initial donation yes, 2 short throw projector, in selectman's room. He discussed where the proposed projector would be located. Had to cut back to 1 single throw projector.

Sinclair: if we want our legal council to speak to us for issues, via the internet, Skype?

Dewhurst: yes. Dewhurst discussed how to facilitate the use of camera, mic and internet related to communicating.

Leighton: discussed how to facilitate the conversation with legal council for our Authority.

Dewhurst: discussed the website and use of getting documents.

Sinclair: Is this something we can entertain at one of our meetings?

Dewhurst: I have spent over \$1000 in cables.

Hunter: discussed water commissioners and the usefulness of this technology. And planning board could use technical review meetings, we are paying engineers for transportation.

Dewhurst: I know it can work.

Leighton: Is you intent to do both rooms?

Dewhurst yes, I had the money in reserve, but things change. If I get approval I would like to start with this room. Less costly and more likely to be successful.

The authority discussed the usefulness of this technology in education and training of the Town employees.

Dewhurst: Selectman had 2 problems with the gift: 1. the relation with remote participation. Which it is not. 2. Has something to do with the website committee. It does not. I was representing a type c corporation. I was surprised they (selectman) would not accept the gift. They said we are not going to accept the gift until you go back to the website committee and have the meeting we told you to have. I find that very inappropriate. I think I can do this (the project) immediately, upstairs later.

Dewhurst: posted 2 meetings, trying to get together, I think it is improper to coerce a corporation based on the behavior of a public official.

Sinclair: What do you want this board to do?

Dewhurst: convey to selectman that I really don't know what to do at this point. The corporate gift is still on the table. If they would separate the website from the corporate gift.

Sinclair: anything else?

Leighton: I want to share with you latter the policy, I don't know why they tacked remote participation to receive the gift? It really has nothing to do with it, it could but you have to have permission to do remote participation.

Dewhurst: it sounds to me, its ignorance. The confusion of Symantics Inc. and my performance as a website committee. I don't see the abuse of remote participation, if someone wants to participate and have a quorum and they want to participate 80 percent of the time I don't see a problem with it.

Item #2

Discuss, Approve and possible Vote on Regular Meeting minutes: February 4, 2013, October 23, 2012.

Sinclair: Meeting minutes of February 4, 2013.

Leighton: I don't have that one.

Belbin: Issue with agenda given to members, there was an addition to the agenda posted online.

Leighton: I printed that from the website. Under item #3 did letter get sent to Selectmen?

Belbin: sent letter to Sinclair,

Sinclair: did not receive it. Resend it to me, problem with computer.

Belbin: Under #11 I left the room, It is by verbatim from recording because I was not in room for that part of meeting. I had a problem with my computer, have saves all information and recordings if you want it.

Motion: To approve meeting minutes with changes February 4, 2013 by Leighton

Second: By Belbin

Sinclair: Motion and second made discussion, none. All in favor say AYE.

Sinclair, Leighton, Belbin

3-0-1 Franey absent

Sinclair: October 23, 2012 meeting minutes?

Belbin: read the selectman's meetings from minutes due to poor copy.

Sinclair: issue with Franey abstaining from the Selectman.

Belbin: lets table on this one.

Motion by Leighton to table the Oct 23 minutes for clarification.

Belbin seconded.

Sinclair: motion made and seconded, any discussion? None All in favor say AYE.

Sinclair, Leighton, Belbin

3-0-1 Franey absent

Item #3

Discuss, Approve and possible Vote on Executive Session January 17,2012

Motion to table by Belbin

Second by Leighton

Sinclair: motion made and seconded, any discussion? None All in favor say AYE.

Sinclair, Leighton, Belbin

3-0-1 Franey absent

Item #4

Treasurers Report discuss, approve and possible vote for December, January, February.

Sinclair: treasurer not hear we need to table for next month. (37 minutes)

Item #5

Annual report to DHCD

Sinclair: Table this also.

Item #6

Discuss, Approve and possible Vote on Document: Block Grant lien of \$915.00.

Hunter: gave a update to this situation. rejected the lien because of wrong font. Got it back but its all one lien. called Melissa, she put in on all one lien. We will have to have an agreement with the Town, recorded with this mortgage so if sold the lawyer will say

the percentage will have to be split. prorated. Kathleen is putting together the document. She also said since it was the Town's fault the town would pay for it. Talked to Rick (Lafond) he said the Town will pay for it. I don't have the document yet.

Sinclair: Let's table this too.

Belbin: the agreement with the Town to pay for legal will that be in the agreement?

Hunter: Rick just said send him the bill.

Item #7

Discuss and possible vote on Policy and Procedures: Sub Committee rules or any other Policy and Procedures.

Hunter: Johanna gave me a copy and Bob sent me his version of sub committees.

Belbin: It's difficult to read. I tried to consolidate stuff and number it. I don't like the way it looks.

Belbin: Table for next agenda?

Sinclair: I read this, it looks pretty good.

Belbin: read his version.

Leighton: Table.

Belbin: Bring back secretary Policy issue

Leighton: a Book with By-laws and Resolution, policies for us.

Belbin: will work to put together a binder and discussed development of RDA.

Leighton: seal?

Item #8

Discuss and possible Vote Annual Report and Letter to the Newspaper

Leighton: I made up the report but I don't send it to the Newspaper.

Belbin: the letter to newspaper to tell the people all the things we have done.

Discussion about who will send the letter and it was decided to check the meeting minutes.

Leighton: I wrote the annual report and sent it to the BOS.

Item #9

Discuss and possible vote to dissolve the RDA.

Belbin: nothing to do with last meeting. I had a discussion with another member about dissolving the RDA months before. I just want a discussion, every year or two because there is a procedure to follow.

Sinclair: what will be the purpose of it besides political?

Belbin: If there is no money, no properties, if there is nothing the RDA can do relative to our tasks. Just a discussion.

Leighton: printed the laws and discussed the dissolution.

Sinclair: so it was pretty much what Bob was talking about?

Belbin: yes.

Hunter: next December 2013 you should start to talk about it.

Item #10

Remote participation, discussion on proposed language.

Leighton: passed out draft on remote participation she worked with rick. I did most of it.

Belbin: Before she sends it out to anyone we should veht it our first.

Sinclair: that's a good point. Seeing that we are working on it.

Leighton: not submitting it until June.

Item #11

Discuss Member issues/Comments.

Belbin: The issue with my son and last meeting related to Wade St.

I was not happy with the vote. I feel the project was a worth while project. I thought Johanna was for it and Brian was for it and come to find out they are not. I think some of the comments made in the minutes were not really genuine. It was presented that originally that we could pay for it. and you said we could not pay for it, I changed it to only research cost of project and bring back to the Board.

Sinclair: I still want to see where in the meeting minutes it says we will pay for it.

Belbin: The intent was to get the estimates and bring it back to the committee for vote.

Sinclair: You can go to the Selectman as a citizen. No Single person wanted to be involved with the project. The only committee member found no need for it.

Belbin: I found it interesting that all the sudden there was no need for it.

Belbin: we had a meeting as a sub committee, have meeting minutes and how do we meet when you dissolved the subcommittee?

Hunter: I guess you will find the full body can vote on those meeting minutes.

Item #12

Public Comment.

Sinclair: Next meeting will be April 1,2013 at 500pm.

Motion to adjourned by Belbin

Second by Leighton

Sinclair: motion made and seconded, any discussion? None All in favor say AYE.

Sinclair, Leighton, Belbin

3-0-1 Franey absent

Meeting ended at 703pm.

Exhibits:

A: Agenda

B: Leighton and Belbin draft of Sub-committee policy

C: Leighton remote participation draft policy.