

# **TOWN OF WEYMOUTH**

## **PLANNING BOARD**

### **MINUTES**

There was a Planning Board meeting held on Friday, June 27, 1997 at 5:00 P.M. at the Town Hall.

Members present: Paul F. Lynch, Sr., Chairman  
Paul Hurley, Sr, Vice-Chairman  
Susan Abbott, Clerk  
Paul M. Dillon  
Patrick Leary  
Mary S. McElroy  
Mary Sue Ryan

Staff present: Michael Milanoski, Economic Development Planner.

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 P.M. by Chairman Lynch.

#### Review of RFP for Business/Economic Data-Base and Award of Contract

Mr. Dillon asked if Planners Collaborative have any Weymouth experience. Mr. Milanoski replied that they do not, but they have municipal experience.

Mr. Dillon asked if the contract is a straight \$40,000 contract.

Mrs. Ryan stated that the Board members did not receive the RFP ahead of time and no one got the addendum. She is not happy about the emergency meeting. By no looking at RKG's proposal, there may be a lawsuit. She asked if they know that the \$5,000 was not part of their contract.

Mrs. Ryan wanted to know if staff have investigated Mr. Frank Mahady, who is a sub-contractor to Planners Collaborative to see if he has insurance and has paid his taxes. Mr. Milanoski replied that staff reviewed the main consultant's proposal for their certification of payment of State taxes and non-collusion affidavit, and that the sub-consultant would come under the umbrella of the main consultant.

Mrs. Ryan stated that she is not happy because she thinks this is important, and she wants to be prepared. One member of the Board was not notified until this morning when she called Mr. Leary. The Board should have been notified when HUD changed its policy.

Mr. Leary stated that a mistake must have been made and RKG was not notified of the extra \$5,000. He asked Mr. Milanoski if he called them on the addenda. Mr. Milanoski replied that the policy is that it is the consultants responsibility to call and make sure they have everything before the submittal, and both RKG and Planners Collaborative were at the briefing.

Mr. Leary stated that staff must have rushed through that briefing, just like the Board is being rushed for a decision. It slipped through the cracks.

Mrs. McElroy stated that she does not like to meet on Friday, but understands that mistakes may happen. She trusts the staff's professional judgement.

Mr. Hurley stated that consultants must fill out everything completely and must acknowledge any addendum in the cover letter. He asked Mr. Milanoski if he was satisfied with Planners Collaborative's proposal. Mr. Milanoski replied that Planners Collaborative appears to have met all the requirements of the RFP and in his opinion it appears to be a well thought out proposal.

Mrs. Abbott stated that the Board should have been notified of the briefing and she is skeptical of the whole thing, and agree with what Mrs. Ryan and Mr. Leary have said.

Mr. Lynch stated that the Board should have been informed earlier and notified that this was upcoming. Mr. Lynch stated that he talked with Mr. Clarke on Wednesday and suggested that we have the meeting on Friday at 5 P.M. because he would not be available next week.

Mr. Dillon stated that he does not ever want to see this happen again with the Board. This happened before with the sidewalk discussion in Pine Grove. Mr. Clarke left the meeting to go down to the Selectmen's meeting for 12 to 13 minutes and we had to stop the Planning Board meeting during that time. The Board should have seen the RFP earlier.

Mr. Dillon made the motion to accept Planners Collaborative's proposal.

Mrs. Ryan stated that she is not happy with this.

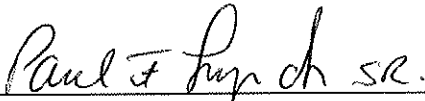
Mrs. McElroy seconded Mr. Dillon's motion.

Upon motion made by Mr. Dillon and seconded by Mrs. McElroy, it was:

VOTED: 4-3 (Mrs. Ryan, Mrs. Abbott and Mr. Leary opposed) to accept the proposal of Planners Collaborative.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:45 P.M.

This is to certify that the foregoing is a true and complete statement of all actions and votes taken at this meeting on June 27, 1997.

  
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Paul F. Lynch, Sr., Chairman