

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL TOWN COUNCIL MEETING OF MARCH 28, 2005

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 10:00pm a MOTION was made by Councilor Smart to go into EXECUTIVE SESSION for the purpose of considering the value of the real property at the South Weymouth Naval Air Station- as such discussions in open session may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the Council. Further he recommended to reconvene in open session for the purpose of adjourning, and was seconded by Councilor Mathews and was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED. The roll call vote was as follows:

Councilor Connolly – Yes	Councilor McPherson – Yes
Councilor DiFazio – Yes	Councilor Molisse – absent
Councilor Hargadon – Yes	Councilor Shanahan – absent
Councilor Kay – absent	Councilor Smart – Yes
Councilor Leary – Yes	Councilor Lacey – Yes
Councilor Mathews – Yes	

Councilor Lacey stated that he, Councilor Smart, and Mayor Madden attended a meeting with SSTTDC, and Rockland. He noted that there will be another meeting tomorrow (3/29/05).

During this meeting it was noted that Lennar has put forth the idea that each town give them a dollar amount for services rendered. Lennar is hesitant to give a dollar amount themselves and wants the towns to come up with the amount.

There was discussion regarding ratios and formulas.

Mr. Ward and Dr. Rogers had suggested that a list of proposed items that are tied to the base in any way be presented rather than a dollar amount.

The proposed tax share is currently set at 46/42/12% for Weymouth, Rockland, and Abington, in that order. This is per the enabling legislation. It was suggested that the tax share be 90/10/0 for Weymouth, Rockland, and Weymouth.

Councilor DiFazio stated that 90% of the homes are in Weymouth, three of the four entrances are in Weymouth, as well as 90% of the traffic. The operating expenses and capital expenses are unknown.

Councilor Connolly questioned who would determine the priority of the items on the list. The Council would make recommendations to the Mayor.

Councilor Leary expressed concerns regarding snow removal and fire service at the base.

Councilor McPherson noted that if Legion Field were to be renovated, this would divert traffic from the base as there would be recreational facilities in another part of the town.

Councilor Leary noted that Weymouth will only receive revenue from real estate and excise taxes.

Councilor Hargadon questioned how much profit Lennar could potentially make. It was suggested that the amount could be between \$800 and \$900 million. He asked if the town or SSTTDC has a professional advocate. It was noted that the town does not. Councilor Hargadon suggested that one be hired and the cost charged to Lennar.

Councilor Mathews warned that a list could create competition between District Councilors.

Councilor Lacey noted that the lists should be submitted to him within the next two weeks.

Councilor Hargadon suggested that workshops be conducted in executive sessions to discuss this issue.

Councilor DiFazio mentioned the need for a direct connector road.

Councilor Leary stated that a laundry list of items is at least a starting point.

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:45pm a MOTION was made by Councilor Smart to come out of EXECUTIVE SESSION for the purpose of adjournment only, and was seconded by Councilor Mathews and was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED. The roll call vote was as follows:

Councilor Connolly – Yes
Councilor DiFazio – Yes
Councilor Hargadon – Yes
Councilor Kay – absent
Councilor Leary – Yes
Councilor Mathews – Yes

Councilor McPherson – Yes
Councilor Molisse – absent
Councilor Shanahan – absent
Councilor Smart – Yes
Councilor Lacey – Yes

Respectfully Submitted
Janet Murray

