May 14, 2007

I. Call to Order/Roll Call/Opening Ceremonies

Chairman Brian Major opened the meeting of the Board of Selectmen on Monday, May 14, 2007 in the Selectmen's Conference Room in the Town Offices at 6:33 p.m. Present were Selectmen Ted Teichert, Jerry Stabile, and Chairman Brian Major. Selectman Mary Lyman arrived at 6:35 p.m. and Selectman Alex Vispoli arrived at 6:39 p.m. Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski was also present.

II. Executive Session

It was moved by Selectman Teichert and seconded by Selectman Stabile that the Board goes into Executive Session to discuss collective bargaining strategy to return to Open Session. The motion was voted and approved 3-0 by roll call vote, Selectmen Teichert, Stabile and Chairman Major in favor. Present at the Executive Session was Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski.

There being no further business to come before the Board, a motion was duly made and seconded to adjourn the Executive Session and return to the Open Meeting at 7:00 p.m. The motion was voted and passed 5-0 by roll call vote, Selectmen Teichert, Lyman, Stabile, Vispoli and Chairman Major, in favor of the motion.

III. Opening Ceremonies

Upon return from Executive Session, Chairman Major called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. Selectmen Vispoli, Teichert, Lyman, Stabile, and Chairman Major were present. Also present was Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski and Town Clerk Randall Hanson. The Chairman called for a moment of silence and asked to remember, as Memorial Day approaches, all those who fought to protect our safety and our freedom. That was followed by the pledge of allegiance. Recording Secretary Elizabeth A. Kochakian took the minutes. This meeting was duly posted and cablecast live.

IV. Communications/Announcements/Liaison Reports

Town Manager Stapczynski:

- The Manager gave an overview of the upcoming Memorial Day events to be held on Monday the 28th day of May, 2007. The program will start at 7:00 a.m. at West Parish Cemetery; at 7:30 a.m. at St. Augustine's Cemetery; 8:00 a.m. at Spring Grove Cemetery; Memorial Day Parade at 9:30 a.m.; at 10:15 a.m. Andover WWII Memorial for a program there. People involved in the parade are asked to adjourn to Doherty Middle School Cafeteria for a light lunch from 11:45 a.m. until 1:30 p.m.
- Reminded that the next Regular Meeting of the Selectmen will be held on Tuesday, May 29, 2007, at 7:00 p.m.
- Patricia A. Leavenworth, the District Highway Director for this district, has informed the Town that the Mass. Highway Department has determined that the noise barrier on I-93, north of Dascomb Road, is a project that is eligible for Federal funding.
- The Board has been invited to visit the Andover High School all night graduation party, Senior Safari, Monday June 4, from 10:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. the next morning at the Andover High School Field House.

IV. Communications/Announcements/Liaison Reports (Cont.)

Town Manager Stapczynski (Cont.):

- The Manager received correspondence from Tom Deso, who is involved with the TRIAD Council, an elderly service group made up of citizens from Andover working with the District Attorney's office and their local Police and Fire Departments. They would like to come and make a presentation at an upcoming Selectmen's meeting to speak on the program they are working with Boy Scouts and others canvassing neighborhoods to insure people have numbers on their house.
- Randy Hanson announced that they would be having a 5th District Special Election. The Primary will be on September 4 and Special Election October 16, 2007.

Selectman Mary Lyman:

- The Council on Aging met last week and scheduled the wood floor installation approved at Town Meeting. She said the wood floor is in.

Selectman Ted Teichert:

- School Building Task Force is meeting Wednesday at 10:00 a.m. in the School Committee meeting room. They also will be meeting on May 31 with the Finance Committee, Selectmen, and School Committee to wrap up what they are doing.

Selectman Alex Vispoli:

- Attended a very informative Seminar last Wednesday night put on by Director of Planning, Paul Materazzo, and the League of Women Voters on things to do about greening the environment from a town perspective. He said that Plant and Facilities Director, Joe Piantedosi, did a great overview on what the Town has already done and some of the things the Town is going to do. The meeting was held in the Public Safety Center and the second part of it is next Thursday the 17 of May at the Memorial Hall Library.

Chairman Brian Major:

- Last Tuesday, the Youth Center Subcommittee met with the subcommittee for the School Committee and members of the Youth Foundation to talk about the upcoming contract that the Town will put together and the upcoming RFP process for that. The next meeting will be Tuesday the 22nd of May, 7 to 8 a.m. in his room.
- Last Monday, May 7th at 7:00 a.m., they had a meeting between the Town Manager, Assistant Town Manager, and Town Counsel to take a look at what actions they need to take to evaluate the 15 Blanchard Street property. Last Thursday they awarded a contract to do their due diligence on the property. They will be doing 32 test sites. Each of those test sites will have evaluations zero to six inches in depth; six to twelve inches in depth; and one to three feet in depth. They will be analyzing for pesticides, PCB's, BOC's and arsenic. They will have that concluded and present their findings back to this Board on Thursday night, May 24. Then they will have to make a decision whether or not to purchase the property.
- With Memorial Day approaching, Chairman Major reminded that they would go into summer casual dress to be more comfortable during the summer months.

V. Citizens Petitions and Presentations

A. John A. Pasquale, 47b Whittier Street

John A. Pasquale appeared before the Board to speak on three items that he felt people in charge in the Town should follow up on. He passed out a sheet on each of these items explaining his three observations:

The first, to check all the flashing lights of the schools to see if they are functioning and also check the inconsistency in warning signs in Town. He listed the areas which he sited as problems in his handout and asked that the remainder of schools that he didn't get to be audited by someone else. Chairman Major thanked Mr. Pasquale and asked the Manager to pass the information in this handout off to Police Safety Officer Cronin to take a look into it.

Second, Mr. Pasquale made a plea that the Town form a "think tank" to look into different areas of energy conservation. He reviewed his suggestions in his handout, which Chairman Major said he would pass on to Mr. Piantedosi to explore.

Third, he asked that the Town look into the newspaper dispensers in and around Town. He wondered who controlled them and felt they should be eliminated because they are getting all kinds of creative junk in them. The information on these boxes was listed in his third handout, which Chairman Major said he would pass on to the Town Manager.

Last, Mr. Pasquale referred to a recent picture in the Andover Townsman of the Town Yard showing how the orange barrels were just thrown in a pile of disarray. He felt that was a disgrace and wondered who was in charge there. He urged the Selectmen to do some strategic planning in Town and suggested they take an inventory of all the spaces available in Town, all the vehicles by Departments and ascertain what they have before they go ahead with anything else.

Chairman Major thanked Mr. Pasquale for his comments.

VI. Public Hearings

A. National Grid and Verizon New England, Inc.

A public hearing was called to hear the request of National Grid and Verizon New England, Inc. for permission to locate poles, wires and fixtures, including the necessary sustaining and protecting fixtures, along and across the following public way:

- Bartlet Street at the Doherty Middle School – approximate location shown on Plan #2160494, dated March 13, 2007.

The request has been reviewed and approved by the Department of Public Works subject to the condition that a street opening permit must be obtained from the DPW prior to the commencement of the work.

VI. Public Hearings (Cont.)

A. National Grid and Verizon New England, Inc.

Justin LaPointe, representing National Grid, appeared before the Board and said this was per the request of the Town.

After discussion, it was moved by Selectman Vispoli, seconded by Selectman Lyman and voted 5-0 to approve the above request.

B. National Grid

A public hearing was opened to hear the request of National Grid for permission to install a pad mounted switchgear and 6-5 inch conduits between the new switchgear and existing manhole #233 under and across the following public way:

- North Main Street at #284, 300 & 305 – approximate location shown on Plan #1842375, dated 4/5/07.
  The section of North Main Street (Rte. 28) referred to on Plan #1842375 is a State roadway.

Town Clerk Hanson indicated that this hearing was for public input only and no action was required to be taken by the Selectmen.

C. Bay State Gas Company

A public hearing was called to hear the request of Bay State Gas Company for permission to excavate for the purpose of extending and/or maintaining its gas mains, and to make the necessary house connections along said extensions, as follows:

- Excavate approximately 200 feet on Ballardvale Road to install a new 2-inch high-pressure gas main and to excavate on Paddock Lane approximately 20 feet to install a new gas service to 17 Ballardvale Road – shown on Plan #04252007, dated 4/25/07.

The request has been reviewed and approved by the Department of Public Works subject to the condition that a street opening permit must be obtained from the DPW prior to the commencement of the work.

Dan Sweeney, representing Bay State Gas, appeared before the Board to explain the request and answer questions.

After discussion, it was moved by Selectman Lyman, seconded by Selectman Vispoli and voted 5-0 to approve the above request.

D. Revocation of Storage of Inflammable Licenses

Selectman Teichert opened the public hearing, per Chapter 148 of the General Laws, to discuss the revocation of the following Storage of Inflammable licenses:

VI. **Public Hearings (Cont.)**

D. Revocation of Storage of Inflammable Licenses (Cont.)

1. The license owned and controlled by Hewlett Packard Company, 165 Dascomb Road, Andover. The license holder currently maintains a total of 6,325 gallons on site – 5,425 gallons of Class II oil and 900 gallons of Class III liquids.

The revocation of the above licenses has been reviewed and approved by the Town Clerk and the Fire Prevention Officer.

It was moved by Selectman Teichert and seconded by Selectman Lyman, and voted 5-0 to approve the above revocation of Storage of Inflammable License held by Hewlett Packard.

2. The license owned and controlled by Vicor Corporation, 25 Frontage Road, Andover. The license holder currently maintains 700 gallons of Class II Diesel fuel on site.

The revocation of the above license has been reviewed and approved by the Town Clerk and the Fire Prevention Officer.

It was moved by Selectman Teichert and seconded by Selectman Vispoli, and voted 5-0 to approve the above revocation of Storage of Inflammable License held by Vicor Corporation.

E. Storage of Inflammable Licenses

Selectman Lyman opened the public hearing to hear the following requests for Storage of Inflammable Licenses:

1. **Cormier-Andover, Inc., 60 Canterbury Street, Andover**

A petition by Cormier-Andover, Inc., 60 Canterbury Street, Andover, to keep and store inflammable products at 4 Muirfield Circle. They wish to increase their present license by 500 gallons of Class II Diesel Fuel to be stored in an above ground tank. They also wish to move all existing permitted inflammable materials to 4 Muirfield from Canterbury Street. A total of 1,650 gallons of inflammable products will be stored as follows: Above ground – 1,000 gallon fuel tank, 500 gallon diesel fuel tank and 150 gallons in safety cans and none Under ground. The request has been reviewed and approved by the Town Clerk and the Fire Prevention Officer subject to the condition that all other requirements of the Town are met prior to the issuance of the amended license.

It was moved by Selectman Lyman and seconded by Selectman Vispoli that the Board approve the above Storage of Inflammable License for Cormier-Andover, Inc.

Atty. Philip Sullivan, representing Cormier-Andover, appeared before the Board to speak on the request and answer questions. He said a new storage facility has been constructed at Andover Country Club and they want to consolidate the inflammable liquids in newer separate tanks.

After discussion, the motion was voted and approved 5-0.

VI. **Public Hearings (Cont.)**

2. **Wyeth BioPharma, One Burtt Road, Andover**

A petition by Wyeth BioPharma, One Burtt Road, Andover, to keep and store additional inflammable products at 66 Lowell Junction Road. The petitioner wishes to amend their present license by adding 611 gallons of Class I liquids and 184 gallons of Class II liquids and decreasing Class III liquids by 835 gallons for a total of 12,388 gallons of inflammable products to be stored as follows: Above ground – 8,800 gallons of Class I liquids, 600 gallons of Class II liquids and 2,988 gallons of Class III liquids and none Under ground.

The request has been reviewed and approved by the Town Clerk and the Fire Prevention Officer subject to the condition that all other requirements of the Town are met prior to the issuance of the amended license.

It was moved by Selectman Lyman and seconded by Selectman Stabile, to approve the above Storage of Inflammable License for Wyeth BioPharma, One Burtt Road.

Bob McGinnis was present from Wyeth BioPharma to present the request and answer questions. He explained this was their main warehouse and they are just trying to rebalance their changes.

After discussion, the motion was voted and approved 5-0.

3. **Wyeth BioPharma, One Burtt Road, Andover**

A petition by Wyeth BioPharma, One Burtt Road, Andover, to keep and store additional inflammable products at One Burtt Road. The petitioner wishes to amend their present license by adding 16,460 gallons of Class I liquids, 199 gallons of Class II liquids, 7,551 gallons of Class III liquids and 2,378 cubic feet of miscellaneous flammable gasses for a total of 111,704 gallons and 2,378 cubic feet of inflammable products stored as follows: Above ground – 20,951 gallons of Class I liquids, 600 gallons of Class II liquids, 90,153 gallons of Class III liquids and 2,378 cubic feet of miscellaneous gasses and none Under ground.

The request has been reviewed and approved by the Town Clerk and the Fire Prevention Officer subject to the condition that all other requirements of the Town are met prior to the issuance of the amended licenses.

After discussion, it was moved by Selectman Lyman and seconded by Selectman Teichert, to approve the above Storage of Inflammable License for Wyeth BioPharma.

Mr. McGinnis also spoke on this request. He said the main motivation on the main campus at One Burtt Road is to install a new double wall tank outside to improve the process. At the same time they requested that change, he said the Fire Department asked them to account for all the gasoline and all the cars stored in the garage, which they did.

After discussion, the motion was voted and approved 5-0.

VII. Regular Business of the Board

A. Moraine Street Neighbors Re: Andover High School Lovely Field

Moraine Street neighbors were present at the meeting to discuss the Andover High School Lovely Field artificial turf project and other related use issues.

Steven Burdeau, 19 Moraine Street, thanked the Board for allowing them to discuss this. They intended to talk to the School Department as well. He wondered how this has gotten so far without the abutters and neighbors of the high school not knowing about the project. Mr. Burdeau said he supported the upgrade of the field/facilities and what this group is doing. However, he had concerns about these upgrades in terms of what happens to their neighborhood and the high school in general. He felt there was too much activity going on this piece of property and it was being used as if it were a commercial piece of property. In the newspaper, he read that there is talk they are going to take use facility from 40 uses a year to 200 uses. Mr. Burdeau said they would like to see some light shed on what agreement has been made by the school with the Andover Turf Committee. More specifically who has control over scheduling, when the lights come on in the morning, who controls the loud speaker that presently comes on at 10 a.m. Sunday mornings, what the control of the Andover Turf Committee is and, how is it going to impact the traffic flow.

Mr. Burdeau said when he went to the fundraiser for the Turf Committee, he heard that the fields could be rented out to non-Andover groups when Andover groups are not using them. His concern is for the Andover Youth and wants to make sure it is a public asset that stays in control of the taxpayers and no agreement in place that says there is a private group that is going to be able to rent these fields, generate revenues, and do something else with the revenues. He said he was before the Board last year and talked about having a gate to close off the field so cars wouldn't park on the High School Field. He wanted the Selectmen to know that the gate was installed but is never locked by the people who run the fields.

In answer to Mr. Burdeau, Chairman Major clarified that the relationship between this volunteer group and the Town, public and private, is very similar to the construction of the facility next to the football field as well as the contract they had with the Andover Youth Foundation to build a Youth Center and to bring public and private together to serve a public need. Joe Piantedosi, Director of Plant and Facilities, said there has been ongoing discussions for nine months between the Turf Committee and various officials of the Town. There was early discussion how it would be funded and different options looked at. The current agreement in place is a development agreement whereby the Turf Committee, which is the Andover Jr. Football League, is donating this turf field to the schools. The only piece of agreement that has any mention of anyone having any claims after it is donated back to the schools is in the form of the following, which he read:

"It is the express intent of the parties that the project benefits the youth and students of Andover; to the full extent applicable by law, preferential scheduling treatment shall be given to Andover youth groups who have been significant donors to the project." He then read from the minutes of the School Committee meeting which stated: "Agreement for installation of artificial turf was discussed noting preferential scheduling for the use of the fields will be given to Andover youth groups that heavily funded the project. A total of $660,000 has been raised to support the project. Friends of Andover Football got approval from the School Committee to move forward with the installation. Mr. Collins made a motion to approve the proposal and appoint Joseph Piantedosi as the school liaison to the installation and that the High School Athletic teams be given first preference in use of the fields, Andover Youth programs second scheduling preference, and the Andover Public School Director will be in charge of the schedule."

VII. **Regular Business of the Board (Cont.)**

A. Moraine Street Neighbors (Cont.)

Mr. Piantedosi further explained that at the High School complex, the Athletic Director currently controls the schedules of the fields and rental of the fields. His Department oversees the rental of all the other fields, which are primarily used for the schools and school programs and second to Andover Youth Sport Groups that benefit children in Andover who use these fields. He said there is nothing unusual to what is being done right now and didn't know of any instance that the field was actually rented to people out of town.

Town Manager Stapczynski said he had a meeting with Superintendent of Schools Claudia Bach and asked who he should direct the Moraine Street residents to on these issue. She said the school administration, Dave Nichols, Brian McNally and Peter Anderson. They control the type of things that have come up.

Kathryn R. Price, 23 Moraine Street, who lives across the softball field, complained that things were out of control with all the trash that is being thrown around the fields. She said she doesn't see any trash receptacles around the fields and no efforts to pick up trash. Her husband Timothy said one of the concerns they have is that they are not seeing the big picture. With the new turf fields, he said there is a lack of coordination amongst the fields and what is going on in the Collins Center. They are concerned that opening other fields is going to lead to more activity and parking problems and they have no confidence that these issues are going to be resolved.

Selectman Vispoli asked the Manager to take care of the trash issue right away. Chairman Major said they want the fields to be used; the parking and trash problems are something they need to get under control and something they can address. It was noted that no violation for parking tickets were issued at the fields this year thus they felt an enforcement issue here. As far as the scheduling of the fields, he said this needed to be addressed with the School Department.

Mary Carbone, 3 Cyr Circle, said she sympathized with the neighbors in the general area of Lovely Field and school campus. Living on Cyr Circle, she said she has experienced significant traffic problems herself and parking issues which in some way Officer Cronin has addressed that. She said she felt this town is getting out of control as it relates to public and private issues that are going on in town. If the Town can't absorb it within their budget, she said someone is going to find a way to put it there and the Town then has to maintain it. With all the activities going on at the High School, the parking lots are always full of cars and at times the parking is backed onto Shawsheen Road and even to Canterbury Street. As elected officials, Ms. Carbone felt the Selectmen should stay out of the private arena because everyone involved in that has failed. She felt residents shouldn't be told that they are going to get something if their budgets can't afford it. That includes through an override.

Chairman Major addressed the notion of public-private. He said he applauds the private entities that are stepping forward that allow them to deliver services in this community that they can't afford and have to rely on public dollars. He said these people really put a lot of time and effort into fundraising, designing, creating concepts to allow them to have these additional things. However, what they need to do is to make sure when things are put in place that they have order.

VII. Regular Business of the Board (Cont.)

A. Moraine Street Neighbors (Cont.)

Janet Boush, 86 Red Spring Road, told the Board that when they came home from Florida this past winter, she had trash in her yard from every single fast food restaurant and they have been picking up trash ever since from the fields. She said she approves what they are trying to do but would like to see before they go forward and add 200 events that they get control over what is happening there now. They have seen all the improvements coming along and accepted them but what they are seeing now is no respect for property. People using the fields and the parking lots don't care about the neighbors. Ms. Boush said she wished someone would come down and do a survey of the property and come up with some safety and trash resolves. She said they had trash containers at one point on the fields but they overflowed because no one emptied them. She feels there needs to be more supervision when there are games and a police officer put up there to see what is happening, to make sure it is safe and clean so they don't have to deal these type of things. She also asked if they could turn the lights on the field off at night.

David Geaslen, 23 Lincoln Circle East, from Andover Jr. Football, agreed they should do a better job with trash and explained how they will get from the 40 uses on Lovely Field to 200 uses. Megan Lynch Matson, the High School Varsity Soccer Coach, was also present and explained how often they use the fields. Chairman Major said they needed to address the scheduling issues with the School Department. What the Board can do is to send a message to them that they need to make sure they are paying attention to the parking that goes along with the actual usage of the fields. He agreed that they have seen an increase in activities from 10 years ago. He felt it was great to have these turf fields that can get a lot of use without having to do the maintenance that Mr. Piantedosi has had to do in the past. When asked if they have gone before the School Committee with this issue, Mr. Burdeau said they have not.

Joan Johnson, 11 Moraine street, as an abutter to the school, said she was aware of the over lighting that takes place on that school every night. The new building has a light on it all night long. She felt that was wasteful and should be looked at. Also, she pointed out that there are a lot of "no parking" signs missing that need to be replaced. As to the parking, Ms. Johnson said that since they requested sidewalks for the kids, there is no place to park.

Chairman Major asked Mr. Piantedosi to look into the lighting. Mr. Piantedosi explained that as part of the energy program they implemented they shut down seven schools and consolidated their use to the high school keeping it open as way to conserve energy at the other schools.

Kathryn Price said she met David Geaslen a month ago and what she remembered hearing is that they are looking to make up $100,000 to put back into the budget so the facility is going to be rented. Selectman Lyman said they want the facility used but want the people who use them to park properly. She said the students needed to step up to the plate and be more responsible for the schools they are being educated at.

Doris Mason, 15 Moraine Street, said she has lived there for 36 years right across from the fields. She feels after all this time of being a supporting neighbor, that no one is supporting them. She said on Tuesday nights during the fall the band practices until 9 or 10 p.m. right in their front lawn. She also complained that there is no place for their guests to park.

VII. **Regular Business of the Board (Cont.)**

A. Moraine Street Neighbors (Cont.)

John Pasquale said he felt some one has to do short range and long-range studies. Short range someone should look into the capacity of parking spaces and come up with a number and put the Jersey barriers in so the people can't park where they are not supposed to. Long range, he felt the Board of Selectmen should get the Blanchard Street property and put fields there. He felt one of the solutions they have is to get the amount of activities at the High School out to someplace else. He also mentioned that in Florida, the Police Department uses volunteers to monitor such events. Mary Carbone said she would like Safety Police Officer Cronin to come to a meeting and address the traffic problems in that area. She also asked Selectman Teichert to comment as spokesperson for this issue. Selectman Teichert said when the turf fields are installed, they are going to free up the other fields and give them a rest. In answer to Kathryn Price, Mr. Geaslen said the comment he made about their budget was that they needed to make $300,000 every year to run their department. They went through this exercise and found they do not need to rent this field to make up the difference.

After all discussion, Chairman Major thanked everyone that participated in the discussion this evening.

B. Annual Town Meeting and Special Town Meeting Recap and Review

The Manager distributed to the Board the Town Meeting results and opened discussion on the pluses and minuses of Town Meeting, what the Selectmen feel they can improve on and what issues they had on the way things were done. The following was discussed:

Selectman Vispoli felt they didn't do a good job presenting what the sidewalk maintenance issues were on the articles for sidewalk reconstruction. He recommended a committee be formed with a group of interested citizens that would help to prioritize sidewalk repairs and do a better job educating the public on what was chosen.

Chairman Major felt with any issue when they have a couple of different alternatives, funding mechanisms, the Town Manager should explain them as a single package and present the idea.

Town Clerk Hanson suggested the Board use their warrant a little more pointedly. Before the warrant goes out, she said the Selectmen should decide what they are going to do and pull the ones they are not going to do and then discuss the ones they want. She said 20 articles were withdrawn at Town Meeting, which caused confusion. Selectman Vispoli said they may want to use next year's Mid Year review to take a deeper look at some of the articles and if they can control their calendars. they will have more of a chance to discuss the articles.

A discussion was held on whether they should of had a Special Town Meeting within the Town Meeting. Ms. Hanson said it caused some confusion amongst the voters. She told the Selectmen they could do anything they want with the warrant because that is their warrant. If they feel they have to open the warrant, they can do that. She was asked to see what other towns do about opening and closing the warrant.

VII. **Regular Business of the Board (Cont.)**

B. Annual Town Meeting and Special Town Meeting Recap and Review (Cont.)

Selectman Lyman said she felt that as a Board when each of them speak on different issues, they need to share their speeches with the other Board members if they plan to go off on a different track. She was disappointed things were being said by Board members that she had not heard before. Assigning speakers two weeks in advance at least prior to town meeting would be a help.

Selectman Vispoli felt that overall, even with the Special Town Meeting, the Moderator Sheila Doherty ran the meeting smoothly and Randy Hanson did a good job organizing the meetings.

Selectman Vispoli commented on the Blanchard Street article considered the last night of Town Meeting. He felt if they had a meeting before the town meeting on it, they would have come to an unanimous agreement on it.

Selectman Stabile said he would like to read any statement that is a position of the Board prior to it being read. He felt they could better present themselves if they acted as a Board.

The Manager said they had new contractors this year for the sound and seating. He felt the first night the sound was not good but better then last year. The second night the sound was better. Selectman Teichert felt the lights on the stage at Collins Center were too bright.

Chairman Major said the Manager was well prepared and did a good job answering questions. The Manager appreciated that but thanked the Moderator for that. He said it was really Sheila Doherty who didn't want any questions left unanswered.

Chairman Major thought it was a good suggestion by a resident to do a summary of all capital projects and what the tax impact will be if all the capital projects in the warrant do pass.

Mary Carbone felt it was not necessary to have the pro and con microphones. Mr. Pasquale wondered if the Warrant is proof read when it comes back from the printer. Also, that he would like to see where the money is coming from. The Manager pointed out that on each spending article there is a specific statement what the borrowing terms are.

C. Discuss the Creation of a Town Yard Task Force

Paul Materazzo, Director of Planning, appeared before the Board, to discuss the creation of a Town Yard Task Force and the process. He said the present facility needs an upgrade but before they do, the Planning Board and Planning Staff would like to see if there is anther location that can be further examined. He said the existing location is 2.24 acres and if they were to put the entire Town yard in one location they will be looking at 5 to 10 acres. If the town obtains the additional properties approved at town meeting they will have 5.4 acres. The question then is whether this truly is the location where the Town Yard can grow or facilitate the needs of the growth of the Town. He knows there is an immediate need out there but didn't think it is a long vision process trying to find a more suitable location for the Town Yard.

VII. **Regular Business of the Board (Cont.)**

C. Discuss the Creation of a Town Yard Task Force (Cont.)

As to the makeup of the task force, Mr. Materazzo said his recommendation was to have 7 to 9 task force members as part of the working group. Their objective: to find a new site for the town yard. Selectman Vispoli said he thought the task force would come up with the conclusion of the feasibility of that. Prior to that, there ought to be a short-term task of this group. Chairman Major said they needed to decide in the next few months whether to start spending the money approved from town meeting on this current parcel. That would be short term. Then if there is a parcel that has a high level of possibility, then this group can come back and ask for a few more months to look into it further.

Mr. Materazzo said the question to the Selectmen is if it is a long-term solution of the town yard, buying these parcels at the present location. Selectman Vispoli said they took a vote last year after only looking at the current situation, that said the town yard was going to remain there. Buying the houses was not discussed. Mr. Piantedosi agreed the focus of the group ought to be if it there is another site available and what the feasibility of it is. He recommended the task force be formed as an advisory group to the Board of Selectmen. He agreed that whole site is not large enough to accommodate all DPW and Plant and Facilities. When they did the CDM master plan, they defined the requirements needed for all the functions, given that they were going to need off site storage for a lot of repairs. Everything wasn't intended to go there but consolidation would make their operations more efficient.

Mr. Materazzo said one idea would be to send out a RFP. Selectman Lyman wondered how long that would take to put together the RFP. She was in favor of a more informal process to see if they are going to generate something. Selectman Stabile commented that he didn't see too many towns where the town yard sits downtown. Selectman Teichert suggested putting together a subcommittee from the Selectmen and then get the same from the Finance Committee and Planning Board and then discusses this high level RFP process or whatever the best way would be to move forward.

After all discussion, Selectmen Ted Teichert and Jerry Stabile volunteered to be on the subcommittee. Chairman Major asked them to meet and try to come back to the Board by the end of June with a proposal.

D. Discuss the Creation of a Finance/Prop 2 ½ Task Force

Chairman Major said the idea here is to have another task force with the Finance Committee and School Committee to start an overall analysis of budget implications for 2009 to 2011. He recommended however that they first appoint a subcommittee from this Board and work with the other two boards.

After a discussion, Selectmen Ted Teichert and Brian Major volunteered to be on the subcommittee. It was discussed that the intention is to put all their options on the table and be clear on what they are going to do early on in the process and present it to potential groups. Also, to not preconceive there is going to be an override,

E. Approval of Liaison Appointments for May 2007 – April 2008

The Board reviewed the list of liaison appointments presented by the Manager and had no objection to the list.

VIII. **Approval of Consent Agenda Items**

A. Appointments and Re-appointments

It was moved by Selectman Vispoli that the following appointments by the Town Manager be approved:

DEPARTMENT	POSITION	RATE	EFFDATE
COMMUNITY SERVICES			
John A. Middleton-Cox	Site Director – PT	****	7/9/07
*** Stipend varies with course			
POLICE DEPARTMENT			
Jacquelyn M. Collins	Matron – PT	$18.00/hr.	5/15/07
MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY			
Michael Chan	Library Page – PT (v. T. Landau-Viano)	$7.25/hr.	5/8/07

The motion was seconded by Selectman Lyman, voted and approved 5-0.

B. Change of Manager

It was moved by Selectman Stabile that the Board approve the request of Leonard A. Wilson, President, The Lanam Club, Inc., 260 North Main Street, Andover, for a Change of Manager on their All-Alcoholic Club license. The new Manager will be Bryant Lemire. The request has been reviewed and approved by the Town Clerk and is subject to the condition that all other requirements of the Town are met prior to the issuance of the amended license.

The new manager Bryant Lemire was present at the meeting and appeared before the Board. He presented his past history and working career in this capacity. He said all his employees have TIP training and outlined his policy on not servicing minors.

After discussion, it was moved by Selectman Vispoli, seconded by Selectman Lyman and voted 5-0 to approve the request.

C. Storage of Inflammable Annual Registration

It was moved by Selectman Teichert that the Board approve the following 2007 Certificates of Registration for Storage of Inflammable licenses as presented by the Town Clerk:

VIII. **Approval of Consent Agenda Items** (Cont.)

C. Storage of Inflammable Annual Registration (Cont.)

- VERC Enterprises, Inc., d/b/a Bailey's West Andover Exxon Mobil, 139 River Road – Manager: Kieran O'Donovan
- Exxon Mobil Oil Corporation, 14 North Main Street – Manager: Sam Ameen
- Exxon Mobil Oil Corporation, d/b/a Rolling Green Service Station, 309 Lowell Street – Manager: Brendan Foster

The Certificates have been reviewed and approved by the Town Clerk and the Fire Prevention Officer and are subject to the condition that all other requirements of the Town are met prior to the issuance of the licenses.

After discussion, the motion was seconded by Selectman Lyman, voted and approved 5-0.

IX. **Approval of Minutes from Previous Meetings**

It was moved by Selectman Teichert that the Board approve the minutes of the March 19, 2007 – Regular Meeting. The motion was seconded by Selectman Vispoli, voted and approved 5-0.

It was moved by Selectman Teichert that the Board approve the minutes of the March 21, 2007 – Joint Meeting with Finance Committee. The motion seconded by Lyman voted and approved 5-0.

It was moved by Selectman Teichert that the Board approve the minutes of the March 26, 2007 – Regular Meeting. The motion was seconded by Selectman Lyman. After a correction, the motion was voted and approved 5-0 as corrected.

It was moved by Selectman Teichert that the Board approve the minutes of the March 28, 2007 – Reorganization Meeting. The motion was seconded by Selectman Lyman voted and approved 5-0.

It was moved by Selectman Teichert that the Board approve the minutes of the April 5, 2007 – Tri-Board Meeting w/ Finance Committee & School Committee. The motion was seconded by Selectman Vispoli, voted and approved 5-0.

It was moved by Selectman Teichert that the Board approve the minutes of the April 9, 2007 – Regular Meeting. The motion was seconded by Selectman Vispoli, voted and approved 5-0.

It was moved by Selectman Teichert that the Board approve the minutes of the April 12, 2007 – Tri-Board Meeting w/Finance Committee & School Committee. The motion was seconded by Selectman Vispoli voted and approved 5-0.

X. **Sewer Commissioners**

It was moved by Selectman Vispoli that the Board adjourns to Sewer Commissioners. The motion was seconded by Selectman Lyman voted and approved 5-0 by roll call vote, Selectman Vispoli, Teichert, Lyman, Stabile and Chairman Major in favor.

X. Sewer Commissioners (Cont.)

It was moved by Selectman Vispoli that the Board approve the following requests for connection to the new sanitary sewer system:

75 Ballardvale Road – TM 98, TL 5D
2 Blueberry Hill Road – TM 43, TL 15
22 Blueberry Hill Road – TM 43, TL 25
9 College Circle – TM 44, TL 41
127 Holt Road – TM 59, TL 12
382 South Main Street – TM 62, TL 25
9 Teaberry Lane – TM 119, TL 122

The motion was seconded by Selectman Lyman voted and approved 5-0 by roll call vote, Selectman Vispoli, Teichert, Lyman, Stabile and Chairman Major in favor. John Pisquale asked that they be a follow-up on these connections to make sure all the repairs have been made satisfactorily.

It was moved by Selectman Vispoli that the Board approve the following requests for connection to the existing sanitary sewer system:

1 Caileigh Court – TM 89, TL 23 – Bldg. # 5
2 Caileigh Court – TM 89, TL 23 – Bldg. #4
3 Caileigh Court – TM 89, TL 23 – Bldg. #5
4 Caileigh Court – TM 89, TL 23 – Bldg. #4
5 Caileigh Court – TM 89, TL 23 – Bldg. #5
6 Caileigh Court – TM 89, TL 23 – Bldg. #4
7 Caileigh Court – TM 89, TL 23 – Bldg. #5
9 Caileigh Court – TM 89, TL 23 – Bldg. #5
8 Orchard Street – TM 60, TL 11A
147 River Road – TM 166, TL 13
1 Shandel Circle – TM 81, TL 10H
3 Shandel Circle – TM 81, TL 10K
5 Shandel Circle – TM 81, TL 10G

The motion was seconded by Selectman Teichert voted and approved 5-0 by roll call vote, Selectman Vispoli, Teichert, Lyman, Stabile and Chairman Major in favor.

It was moved by Selectman Vispoli that the Board adjourn as Sewer Commissioners and return to Regular Meeting. The motion was seconded by Selectman Lyman voted and approved 5-0 by roll call vote, Selectman Vispoli, Teichert, Lyman, Stabile and Chairman Major in favor.

XI. Adjournment – 9:45 P.M.

With no further business for the Board, it was moved by Selectman Vispoli that the Board close the Regular Meeting of the Board at 9:45 p.m. The motion was seconded by Selectman Teichert, voted and approved 5-0.

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Elizabeth A. Kochakian
Recording Secretary