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**BOARD OF SELECTMEN**  
**NOVEMBER 29, 2004**  
**REGULAR SESSION**

**Call to Order**

The Board of Selectmen convened in regular session at 5:00 p.m. in the Principal's Conference Room of the Belmont High School prior to the Special Town Meeting. All members were in attendance.

**Questions from Town Residents**

There were none.

**Action by Appointment**

*Discussion of and Vote on Special Town Meeting Motions*

The Board discussed and adopted positions for the upcoming Special Town Meeting scheduled for this evening.

The Board previously voted to support Articles 2 and 7.

The Board discussed Article 3.

The Board moved: to recommend approval.

The motion passed unanimously (3-0).

The Board discussed Article 4.

Selectman Firenze expressed his opposition to this at this time given his lack of clarity on this appropriation in relation to the overall capital plan of the Town.

Selectman Brownsberger wondered whether this matter should be deferred until a future Special Town Meeting early in 2005.

The Board moved: to recommend dismissal of this article pending further evaluation at a Town Meeting in early 2005.

The motion passed unanimously (3-0).

The Board of Selectmen discussed Article 5.

The Board moved: to recommend approval of Article 5.

The motion passed unanimously (3-0).

The Board of Selectmen discussed Article 6.

The Board moved: to recommend approval of Article 6.

The motion passed unanimously (3-0).

The Board of Selectmen discussed Article 8.

The Board moved: to recommend approval of Article 8.

The motion passed unanimously (3-0).

The Board of Selectmen discussed Article 9.

The Board moved: to recommend approval of Article 9.

The motion passed unanimously (3-0).

The Board of Selectmen discussed Article 10.

The Board moved: to recommend approval of Article 10.

The motion passed unanimously (3-0).

The Board reviewed with Warrant Committee member James Fitzgerald the presentation of Article 2 to Town Meeting.

#### *Discussion of Town Administrator Transition*

The Board reviewed a proposed modification of the Board's operational plan. Selectman Firenze shall draft his response to this proposal.

#### *Application for Licenses and Permit – Original*

*Junk Dealer's License*

*Ursula Weaver dba All That Matters, 400 Trapelo Road*

*Livery License*

*Robert Makarian, 125 Trapelo Road, Apt. 23*

The Board moved: to approve the new business licenses for Ursula Weaver dba All That Matters and for Robert Makarian as submitted.

The motion passed unanimously (3-0).

#### **Action by Writing**

*Letter from Noah Sachs re: Joey's Park*

The Board of Selectmen acknowledged a letter from a resident responding to the Town Administrator's memorandum on chromated copper arsenate contamination at Joey's Park and it acknowledged the fact that testing has been completed as requested.

*Correspondence from Special Counsel re: Comcast Proposed Rates*

The Board of Selectmen reviewed and discussed a letter from Special Counsel about Comcast rates.

The Board moved: to authorize the Chairman to sign the letter as recommended.

The Board motion passed unanimously (3-0).

**Other**

The Board took up a request of the Human Resources Director to make a transfer from the Reserve Fund in the amount of \$8,000 to fund expenses associated with the recruitment of a Town administrator.

The Board moved: to recommend approval for a Transfer from the Reserve Fund.

The Board motion passed unanimously (3-0).

The Board reviewed a letter from a citizen relative to a parking violation.

The Board moved: to refer this citizen's letter to the Parking Clerk for review and recommendation.

The Board motion passed unanimously (3-0).

The Board authorized Selectman Firenze to review and provide recommendation with regards to a petition from a pet store relative to parking issues.

The Board reviewed their upcoming meeting schedule.

The Board adjourned their regular session at 6:00 p.m.

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Dr. Paul Solomon, Chair  
Board of Selectmen