

**MINUTES**  
**BOARD OF SELECTMEN**  
**JUNE 15, 2004**  
**SPECIAL INFORMATIONAL SESSION**  
**WITH BOARD OF HEALTH**

The Board of Selectmen met in a special informational session with the Board of Health to prepare for the upcoming public hearing on the operation of the Purecoat North facility (formerly Cambridge Plating Company). Each member was in attendance.

The Health Director reviewed a chronology of the facility, dating back to 1970. She also reviewed a regulatory agreement that is in place between the facility and other governmental agencies including the Town and the EPA.

The Acting Fire Chief reviewed the results of recent safety inspections his department has conducted.

Members of the Board of Selectmen, Board of Health and staff discussed various aspects of the prior and current operations of the facility and efforts at regulation and enforcement.

Dr. Solomon inquired about potential actions the Town could take to mitigate odors emanating from the facility.

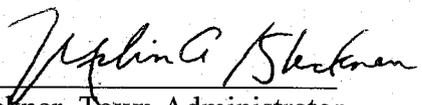
Mr. Brownsberger accepted the good faith efforts at regulation by the Town of Belmont, but sought to "re-frame" the issue at what other efforts the Town could pursue to compel a modification of the land use or current operations.

Dr. Alper felt it was more productive to pursue state and federal law that limits harmful air emissions. He stressed the importance of advocacy by an active neighborhood group.

The Acting Fire Chief reviewed current plans in the event of a serious hazardous materials or related emergency.

The Board of Selectmen worked to develop a structural agenda for the meeting on June 21; potential elements of the meeting include;

- Summary of history and key issues
- EPA issues?
- Citizen's group presentation
  - Current Hazards
  - History of non-compliance
- Current Hazards
- General public commentary, etc
- Wrap-up/Summary with action points (to do list)

  
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Melvin A. Kleckner, Town Administrator  
Clerk of the Board of Selectmen