

**TOWN OF ACTON  
SELECTMEN'S MEETING  
AUGUST 21, 2007**

1. **PUBLIC FORUM:** Dennis asked if the selectmen have the information about a petition for another moratorium. Selectmen said a petition can be submitted with the required number of signers. Tom Cashin suggested before a petition is circulated that MMA be consulted.
2. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Approved with the addition of 6.(C) and noted the Planning Board wished to have some discussion.
3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF LAST MEETING:** Approved as written.
4. **WARRANT:** Approved and signed.

**5. OLD BUSINESS**

- (A) **ASSESSING:** Rod was in this date from 4 to 5:30, making corrections to the program. Jennifer will try the export of Bridesides to Trio again.
- (B) **CABLE CONTRACT:** Metrocast wants more time.
- (C) **FEE SCHEDULE:** Tabled until next week.

**6. NEW BUSINESS**

(A) **MEET WITH SCHOOL COMMITTEE:** Brian Beeler reported that the Reorganization Review Committee has recommended filing an Intent to Consolidate with Sanford and also with SAD 60. The school committee and the selectmen have to endorse this recommendation and file the notice. The school committee has already endorsed the recommendation and now they need the selectmen's vote. On a motion by Mike, the selectmen voted to support the committee's recommendation. Brian will file the intent. The next step is to form a Reorganization Committee with 1 selectman, 1 member of the school committee, 1 member of the finance committee and 1 member of the community. Brian has requested a facilitator from the state. They have 4 months to submit a written plan. Brian has met with Sanford and SAD 60. They will each need to submit an intent to consolidate with Acton. Ted Kryzak noted that we have 6 weeks to get Richard Nass to introduce legislation that would change the law so that we could void the tuition contract with Sanford, if necessary. Ted Kryzak, Richard Neal and Dennis Long all indicated their willingness to serve on the new committee. Mike suggested that it be noted in Lorraine's column that anyone interested should contact the selectmen or the school.

(B) **PATRICK HANNON:** Hannon was not present so no action.

(C) **FLAT GROUND ROAD PROPERTY:** On a motion by Mike it was voted to respond to the offer to purchase by an abutter and advise them that the selectmen will ascertain what a fair value for the land is, and consider putting it up for auction or asking the Town meeting to approve sale to an abutter.

Tom Cashin offered an apology. Several allegations have been made against him and it was an emotional situation last Planning Board meeting.

Nancy reported that she attended the Eleven Town meeting August 20. The general feeling is that the governor will again try to force more co-operative planning among towns for fire, rescue and other services. Hollis asked about having standardized specs for road construction. The County is hiring someone to try to get their finances straightened out. Part of the problem is the construction of a \$25,000,000 jail on a \$20,000,000 budget. (deferred payments and lease purchasing). Not all revenues have been going into the general fund. The budget has been recently finalized. Next meeting will be September 17.

7. **ADJOURNMENT:** Adjourned at 7:40 pm
8. **MEMBERS PRESENT:** Nancy Ruma, Jim Driscoll, Mike Conway
9. **OTHERS PRESENT:** Jenny Goodwin, Ted Kryzak, Percy Lowell, Rob Meyers, Sally Yates, Barbara Seckar, Jeanette Bearse, Mary Stanton, John Sherman, Richard Michaud, Chip Venell, Dennis Long, Dick Neal, Brian Beeler, Judie Shain Tom Cashin, Lorraine Yeaton

