

SPECIAL MEETING
Board of Selectmen
October 28, 2015
APPROVED MINUTES

The Board of Selectmen held a special public hearing on Wednesday, October 28, 2015 at 8:30 a.m. in Room 307/309 of the Westport Town Hall. In attendance were Jim Marpe, Avi Kaner, Helen Garten, Gail Kelly, Peter Ratkiewich, presenters as noted in the minutes, members of the public, and Eileen Francis, recording secretary.

MINUTES

1. Item #1 was presented by Avi Kaner. There were no revisions. Upon motion by Helen Garten, seconded by Jim Marpe and passing by a vote of 3-0, it was:

RESOLVED, the minutes of the Board of Selectmen's public hearing of October 14, 2015 and the Water Pollution Control Authority's public hearing of October 14, 2015 are hereby APPROVED.

APPROVE WAIVER OF POLICY ON ENCROACHMENTS ON TOWN PROPERTY AS IT RELATES TO A STONE WALL LOCATED ON THE TOWN RIGHT-OF-WAY AT PROPERTY KNOWN AS 5 HILLANDALE ROAD

NOTE: at this time, Item #3 was also considered for purposes of discussion

2, 3. Items #2 and 3 were presented by Mr. Peter Greenberg, owner of Able Construction Company, owner of the properties in question and Mr. Romeo, owner of 7 Hillandale Road, previous property owner, and builder of the original rock wall located on the properties. Mr. Greenberg and Mr. Romeo showed surveys and plans relative to the original construction of the wall in 1978. Town Engineer Peter Ratkiewich indicated the areas of the wall that were located on Town property on a current survey map. The safety concerns of Fire Chief Andy Kingsbury were addressed. Because hardware installed on pillars at the driveway entrance could be used for hanging a gate and obstructing access for fire vehicles, Chief Kingsbury wanted a provision in the easement that a gate would not be installed. Assistant Town Attorney Gail Kelly assured the Board that this provision could be included in the easement document that will be filed on the Town land records. Upon motion by Helen Garten, seconded by Jim Marpe and passing by a vote of 3-0, it was:

RESOLVED, the request to waive the Town Policy on Encroachments as it relates to a wall located within the Town right-of-way at property known as 5 Hillandale Road, contingent upon compliance with the Town Engineer's letter of October 13, 2015 and further contingent upon compliance with the request of the Chief of the Westport Fire Department is hereby APPROVED.

APPROVE WAIVER OF POLICY ON ENCROACHMENTS ON TOWN PROPERTY AS IT RELATES TO A STONE WALL LOCATED ON THE TOWN RIGHT-OF-WAY AT PROPERTY KNOWN AS 3 HILLANDALE ROAD

Upon motion by Helen Garten, seconded by Jim Marpe and passing by a vote of 3-0, it was:

RESOLVED, the request to waive the Town Policy on Encroachments as it relates to a wall located within the Town right-of-way at property known as 3 Hillandale Road, contingent upon compliance with the Town Engineer's letter of October 26, 2015 and further contingent upon compliance with the request of the Chief of the Westport Fire Department is hereby APPROVED.

Upon motion by Avi Kaner, seconded by Jim Marpe and passing by a vote of 3-0, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 a.m.

Eileen Francis
Recording Secretary