

The August 1, 2016, Special Meeting of the Woodbridge Board of Selectmen was convened at 5:00 p.m. in the Town Hall Central Meeting Room by First Selectman Ellen Scalettar

In attendance for the Board of Selectmen: First Selectman Ellen Scalettar, Deputy First Selectman Beth Heller, Susan Jacobs, Joseph S. Dey, Tony Anastasio and Maria Cruz Kayne

Also in attendance: Town Attorney Gerald Weiner, staff Betsy Yagla

COUNTRY CLUB OF WOODBRIDGE REVIEW AND DISCUSSION OF JULY 27 INFORMATIONAL MEETING

First Selectman Ellen Scalettar recapped the July 27 meeting and the proposals and background of proposals discussed at the meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION REGARDING BILLY CASPER GOLF DRAFT PROPOSAL

Ms. Scalettar noted that Billy Casper Golf was willing to continue for one more year with the town but only if the Town took on the risk. She reviewed membership and golf round data and the profit and loss statement from Billy Casper.

Maria Cruz Kayne asked that the Board go into executive session regarding the Billy Casper Golf proposal.

EXECUTIVE SESSION 5:40 p.m.

The Board of Selectmen VOTED UNANIMOUSLY (Kayne – Dey) to move into Executive Session to discuss the Billy Casper Golf proposal, pursuant to §1-200(6)(D) and 1-210 (b) (1), (24). Invited to attend the meeting: Mr. Weiner, Town Counsel.

6:10 p.m. - The Board of Selectmen returned to the regular meeting. No motions were made or votes taken in executive session.

ACTION ON MATTER HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

Ms. Scalettar summarized the Board's analysis: If the Town went forward the Town could risk losing money – as much as several hundred thousand dollars as has happened in the past. She said the Board does not believe the Town should be in the risky business of golf.

The Board of Selectmen VOTED UNANIMOUSLY (Anastasio–Jacobs) that the Board not accept the Billy Casper Golf proposal.

EXECUTIVE SESSION REGARDING THE REVISED DRAFT TOLL BROTHERS PROPOSAL AND THE DRAFT PROPOSAL FROM REDAN RESERVE 6:15 p.m.

The Board of Selectmen VOTED UNANIMOUSLY (Dey–Jacobs) to enter executive session

pursuant to §1-200(6)(D) and 1-210 (b) (1), (24). Invited to attend the meeting: Mr. Weiner, Town Counsel.

7:03 p.m. - The Board of Selectmen returned to the regular meeting. No motions were made or votes taken in executive session.

ACTION ON MATTER HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

Ms. Scalettar summarized the discussion: The consensus of the Board of Selectmen is that, given public concerns and the concerns of some Board members, the Board will not recommend Toll for a vote at this time, nor will they pursue negotiations with Toll at this time. Ms. Scalettar also reported that the Board would not meet a condition of the Toll proposal, that at least a majority of Selectmen support sending the proposal to residents for a vote. The Board discussed the Redan Reserve proposal and the key elements for the First Selectman to negotiate going forward.

Additionally, Ms. Scalettar said, the Board has asked for a more detailed analysis of converting the property to true open space.

ADJOURNMENT

The Board of Selectmen VOTED UNANIMOUSLY (Dey –Heller) to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Betsy Yagla, Assistant Administrative Officer
Clerk Pro Tem