

Town Board Minutes March 19, 2008

Present: Supervisor William A. Eagan, Councilmen James E. Pluta and Richard K. Hawkins, Councilwomen Cathleen M. Dobson and Cathy A. Maghran.

Also Present: Deputy Supervisor McGirr, Highway Superintendent Telaak, Town Attorney Downey, Code Enforcement Officers Ferguson, Lisowski and Juda.

Reverend Jim Hakes, Faith United Church of Christ opened the meeting with a prayer.

A motion was made by Supervisor Eagan and seconded by Councilwoman Dobson to table the minutes of the March 5, 2008 regular meeting to give Supervisor Eagan extra time to review them.

five (5) Ayes Carried

Councilwoman Dobson asked Highway Superintendent Telaak why he placed orders three days in a row and not all at once.

Highway Superintendent Telaak stated that he has seven employees and needed to make sure that the safety vests fit.

Supervisor Eagan noted that this policy was put in place under the former Town Board after the corruption charges were placed against people in our Highway Department to give checks and balances. From the information shared tonight there are now at least eight times that Highway Superintendent Telaak has taken it upon himself to avoid the \$300 purchasing policy limit. One of his invoices for paint in the Parks Department clearly states that it be billed separately to circumvent the \$300 purchasing policy. This isn't being fabricated by the Town Board. A purchase request form needs to be filled out if you are going to buy something over \$300. Highway Superintendent Telaak or any other department head haven't had to wait more than 24 to 48 hours for approval. The Town Board has to approve requests over \$1,500. I can approve up to \$1,500. I received a letter from one of the vendors stating that the reason they separate bills is to keep the cost under the \$300 a day limit. Former Councilman Mead

caught the paint invoice which clearly states that right on it. We need to stop this. We can't run the chances of another scandal anywhere in the town and it's a good way of finding out where the money is going. If somebody goes out and buys five sets of tires, how do we know what trucks these tires are going on? We need to question these purchases. My policy is to ask two questions, is it a need or a want? If it's a need, I have no problem. If it's a want, you have to explain it. It's a way of showing responsibility when it comes to expenditures. None of these invoices were ever approved by the guidelines set forth in our policy. I would hate to amend that policy to put further restrictions on everyone because one department refuses to abide by it.

Highway Superintendent Telaak stated that all those invoices are under \$300 and the policy does not say things can't be ordered on different days.

Supervisor Eagan stated Highway Superintendent Telaak wants us to believe that on every single one of these days he made phone call to order these items. Don't put blame on the Town Board for wanting to manage in a very productive and professional manner the expenses of this community. I think everyone should be accountable.

A motion was made by Supervisor Eagan and seconded by Councilwoman Maghran, upon review by the Town Board, that fund bills on the Abstract dated March 13, 2008 in the amount of \$55,041.32 be paid.

five (5) Ayes Carried

Received and filed a letter from Joyce Lesinski, 5877 Feddick Road in regards to Southtown's Feeds and Needs.

Kathy Praczkajlo, 5900 Old Orchard Drive: What is the best way to deal with Highway Superintendent Telaak? On numerous occasions I spoke with him and Highway personnel as far as the deplorable and unsafe road conditions. She indicated that she has photos of the road conditions two days after the last snow storm. She stated she spoke with Highway Superintendent Telaak on March 10th requesting that someone clean up her road, and he told her to "deal with it?". So she is dealing with it and asking the Town Board for advice on what she can do.

Highway Superintendent Telaak stated he does not believe that is what he said.

Supervisor Eagan stated that the Highway Superintendent is in charge of his road repair and/or snow removal. State law says we can not tell the Highway Superintendent what roads to plow or pave. The only thing we can say is that it is noted for the record and perhaps you can work it out with him to get a better understanding of your concerns and what he can and can not do. If you feel you are not being dealt with fairly you should get a couple of your neighbors to confirm what you are telling us.

Kathy Prackajlo noted that unfortunately her neighbors do not want to cause any waves with his in-laws and family. We are taxpayers and our money is going towards these roads to be cleared and be safe for school buses & emergency vehicles. There are plenty of people who are afraid to leave their houses because once they go down the road; they may not get back up. I have been trying to deal with Highway Superintendent Telaak all season.

Highway Superintendent Telaak noted that he only talked to Ms. Prackajlo once. His men had just left at 3:30 pm; his night worker starts at 8:00 pm and was right down there to plow the little bit of slush that was on the road. It wasn't enough to make it dangerous.

Kathy Prackajlo asked if Highway Superintendent Telaak's truck was equipped with a plow and why he couldn't have cleared the street.

Highway Superintendent Telaak stated that under union rules, he is not allowed to plow.

Councilman Pluta asked if he could see the pictures and asked when they were taken.

Kathy Prackajlo stated they were taken on March 10th, the same day she talked to Highway Superintendent Telaak which was two days after the snowfall.

Highway Superintendent Telaak stated that she is only person who called to complain about the roads.

Councilman Hawkins stated this resident has a complaint. He also noted that there were other residents who called Town Board members to complain about the road conditions.

Highway Superintendent Telaak stated that none of those residents called him.

Bill Forness, 9534 West Hill Road stated that he has almost 20 years of plowing roads for the town. He stated that he believes that our town has some of the best plowed roads in Erie County. When it snows, almost every road is plowed three times a day. He stated that he didn't know what it was like on March 10th. People have to understand that if there is an abundance of salt on the road and the sun comes out, it might make the road slushy. This isn't something that they can control and he takes offense to that.

Linda Hawkins, 6892 Pin Oak Drive stated that before she moved to Boston, her friends told her she would never be able to get out of her driveway and get to work. I never had any trouble until recently. My street is never plowed. One day I left the house at 11:00 am, and the plow had not come by yet, when I returned at 3:00 p.m. the street still had not been plowed. By the time it came, it was very late in the evening. People should be able to get in and out of their driveways and onto the street.

Doug Cleveland, 7280 Heinrich Road stated that he is retired from the Hamburg Highway Department after 27 years and has lived in Boston for over 20 years. He stated that he has never had one problem living on a dead end road and being able to get out of his driveway. That was before Mr. Telaak was Highway Superintendent. You could set your clock to the time the plow came down my road. As far as someone talking about a free truck from the Town of Hamburg for the removal of Christmas Decorations we never sent anything out without our own personnel. The taxpayers of Hamburg are supposed to assume the liability if there is something wrong, plus the taxpayers in Boston, which includes me, for the liability. This whole thing is getting way out of hand.

Supervisor Eagan stated that he was the person who spoke with Jim Connolly, Hamburg Highway Superintendent on January 7th. You can ask him.

Doug Cleveland stated that he did.

Supervisor Eagan stated that he spoke to Mr. Connolly and he said it wasn't a problem that they have done this in the past. He said to have Highway Superintendent Telaak call him and he will get a truck and an operator out there. Highway Superintendent Telaak was correct when he said that I didn't call the Highway Superintendent in Concord, I spoke Supervisor Eagan cont. to the Town Supervisor because I don't know the Highway Superintendent. He wasn't available until later that afternoon after I spoke to

Mr. Connolly. Since you have worked in the highway department a long time, you should be aware that it is a common everyday practice between municipalities, particularly in this area, to share equipment and manpower.

Doug Cleveland stated in emergencies.

Supervisor Eagan stated that it is nothing unusual. They came back a few years ago to help lay out the clay fields. There are a lot of things that are done, and there's no charge backs. You are saying that our taxpayers are being unfairly treated because we are lending equipment and manpower to some other community. In the end it's a wash. Everybody shares in order to keep expenses down because we can't afford to buy every piece of equipment.

Doug Cleveland stated that before he retired none of the Highway Department equipment left without an employee being with that piece of equipment. He asked who operated the street sweeper each time it was out here.

Supervisor Eagan stated that he was not disagreeing with him. Mr. Connolly said that he would have an operator there also, to just have Highway Superintendent Telaak call him and we wouldn't have had the \$500 charge to the taxpayers you are concerned about.

Doug Cleveland stated that wasn't what Mr. Connolly told him.

Supervisor Eagan restated that he spoke with Mr. Connolly on January 7th in the afternoon and he did say that. I gave Highway Superintendent Telaak the message from Mr. Connolly.

Highway Superintendent Telaak stated that he did not get that message.

Supervisor Eagan stated that Highway Superintendent Telaak didn't take it.

Highway Superintendent Telaak stated that he came to Supervisor Eagan office on Monday morning and did not on Tuesday.

Supervisor Eagan stated that Highway Superintendent Telaak forgets that there was another person in his office that day. He asked Highway Superintendent Telaak how else he would know the bucket truck was rented if he wasn't told on Tuesday.

Supervisor Eagan addressed Mr. Cleveland and stated that he would get it in writing from Jim Connolly and will send him a copy.

Mr. Cleveland stated that he wouldn't get it and that he spoke with Mr. Connolly.

Supervisor Eagan asked Mr. Cleveland if Mr. Connolly told him that he never spoke to Supervisor Eagan about this truck and that he agreed to it.

Mr. Cleveland said yes.

Supervisor Eagan noted that Mr. Cleveland was putting into the record that Jim Connolly told him that he wasn't going to allow us use of the truck.

Mr. Cleveland stated that Jim Connolly didn't tell him anything.

Supervisor Eagan asked him how he could say what he is saying.

Mr. Cleveland stated because he knows Mr. Connolly.

Supervisor Eagan stated that Mr. Cleveland wasn't part of the conversation and he is making a statement without any basic facts. First you say that Mr. Connolly told you, now you're saying he didn't.

Mr. Cleveland told Supervisor Eagan that he believes Jim Connolly was in Florida that day.

Supervisor Eagan stated if he can support that to let him know. He stated that he can send him a copy of a correspondence from Mr. Connolly and then he can come back and apologize.

A motion was made Councilman Hawkins and seconded by Councilwoman Maghran to authorize Supervisor Eagan to sign the 2008 Erie County Nutrition Contract.

five (5) Ayes Carried

A motion was made by Councilman Hawkins and seconded by Councilwoman Maghran to approve the Application for Use of Facility from Jill Howard for the Hamburg Pre-K on June 18, 2008.

five (5) Ayes Carried

A motion was made by Councilman Pluta and seconded by Councilman Hawkins to reappoint Patricia M. Thompson to the Conservation Advisory Council, term to expire 03/01/2011.

five (5) Ayes Carried

A motion was made by Councilwoman Maghran and seconded by Councilwoman Dobson on the recommendation of Recreation Director Vara, to appoint the following to the Summer Recreation Program, terms to expire 8/15/08:

Motion Cont?d:

APPOINTMENT TITLE HOURLY WAGE

Cary Catonia Site Supervisor/Head Life Guard \$10

Doris Pilato Supervisor/Arts-Crafts \$10

Jennifer Trim Site Supervisor \$10

Amanda Vara Site Supervisor \$10

Samantha Vara Supervisor/tennis \$10

five (5) Ayes Carried

Received and filed a monthly report from the Supervisor, Town Clerk, Code Enforcement Officers and Dog Control Officers and Recreation Director.

Supervisor Eagan stated to those in attendance that he has a copy of the Lesco voucher, stating that the bill would be split into four invoices so the total does not exceed \$300.

Supervisor Eagan noted that the 2007 Annual Update Document and Annual Financial Report were submitted to NYS and filed in the Town Clerk's Office. He summarized the report and gave an overview of town finances, which are solid.

Supervisor Eagan stated that there were a lot of confusing statements in the newspaper and because he was not at the last meeting would like to clarify them. He stated that on January 7th, Highway Superintendent Telaak came into his office and said we needed to buy a bucket truck to take down the Christmas Decorations. He told him it didn't make sense to buy a truck if we are only going to use it two or three days a year. We need to have more reasons to justify it. But, in the meantime, what does it cost to rent one. Highway Superintendent Telaak was supposed to find out what the cost was to rent one and they were to discuss it the next day. That afternoon, I called Highway Superintendent Telaak and asked him to meet me in my office. At that time I told him Jim Connolly, Hamburg Highway Superintendent, wants you to call him, and I handed him a message. I told him that Mr. Connolly would allow us to use his bucket truck and send an operator. He indicated that he used to do this for us when Mr. Klein was running the Christmas Lighting Committee. That is when Mr. Telaak told me he rented the

bucket truck. I asked Highway Superintendent Telaak why he rented the truck before he got back to me with a price. I found out from speaking to people that he asked the Parks Department employees the week before to come on the 8th to start work which tells me he already had a plan in mind. My point is that the contradictions here are strong enough that I think Highway Superintendent Telaak was making things up as he's going. I never gave any authorization to him. He never filled out a requisition for that equipment and he knew that he was not supposed to go out and rent the truck. The other thing I take exception with is that the Town Board never did anything to help take down these Christmas Decorations. In the article, Highway Superintendent Telaak makes a comment that I was supposed to ask the Patchin Fire Company for help in taking down Christmas Decorations. He had Supervisor Eagan cont. asked this a few weeks earlier. I told him to contact Chief Pluta. Highway Superintendent Telaak's response in the newspaper was that he didn't have time to look up a phone number. Highway Superintendent Telaak knows that the Christmas Lighting Committee is responsible for taking down those lights along with the Parks Department and he could have called Chairman Brien Hopkins. Supervisor Eagan stated that he wanted to make it clear that he and Highway Superintendent Telaak did meet. Supervisor Eagan stated that his secretary was in the office and sat through both conversations on Monday and Tuesday. The name of that equipment operator from Hamburg Highway was Pat Ryan. Highway Superintendent Telaak leaves a few details out and colors some things in different ways. Highway Superintendent Telaak is in this town hall almost every day and could have asked any staff member for those phone numbers. I did tell him on one occasion that Chief Pluta said to call him; he would be able to set something up.

Supervisor Eagan noted that Highway Superintendent Telaak stated that he couldn't wait for long periods of time to get his requisition forms approved. Supervisor Eagan stated that no one in this Town Hall has had to wait more than 24 to 48 hours to get approval on their requests for purchases. He said he can only remember two or three times since this program was implemented that we turned down a purchase request. All we are asking Highway Superintendent Telaak to do is as other departments do is follow the policy. It's a little extra paper work, but it gives us a means of checks and balances. He should adhere to that instead of making excuses. Supervisor Eagan stated that my assistant, Julie Costello, was in the office when he came in both days. I'll show you the phone record when I called you on the 8th asking you to come into the office. This is getting a little ridiculous because I'm not even here and he's putting words into my mouth that I agreed to this. I never agreed to anything. I agreed to be cooperative in asking him to get prices so we can estimate what this would cost. At 8:16 am Tuesday, January 8th, he faxed this voucher to the company that he rented the equipment from. He didn't see me until that afternoon, so how could I possibly have told him to do this at 8:30 am. I'm very comfortable in what I said because none of it's fabricated.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Dobson and seconded by Councilwoman Maghran to authorize Deputy Town Clerk Mule? to attend the NYS Town Clerk's Association Conference in Saratoga Springs, NY, April 27th-30th, all appropriate expenses to be paid.

five (5) Ayes Carried

Town Clerk Shenk noted that the next blood drive will be on March 25 from 2:30 pm to 6:30 pm.

Highway Superintendent Telaak stated that brush pick up starts the first week of April and flyers will be going out next week.

Highway Superintendent Telaak noted that the frame on the one ton truck used by the Deputy Highway Superintendent is broken. He is requesting to send the bids specifications that were reviewed by the Town Board at the Agenda Review to bidders. Highway Superintendent Telaak cont. He stated that the current truck is worth \$5,000 and the repairs would cost \$3,000. He doesn't feel that it is fixable and still be safe to drive.

Supervisor Eagan asked if this was the same truck that had the cracked frame once before.

Highway Superintendent Telaak stated yes, and now it is cracked in a different spot and is more severe this time.

Councilwoman Dobson stated that she thought through discussion during the agenda review they were going to see if it was on state bid.

Supervisor Eagan stated yes that is what they are going to do, that Highway Superintendent Telaak is just reporting on what he has to do.

Highway Superintendent Telaak stated that the two 550 trucks have issues. One had a new motor installed this past summer and both ring and pinions went out this winter. He said they are being worked on all the time. He stated that he has the bid specs for those also and would like to have those trucks put out for bid. He stated that he has enough money in the fund balance for the trucks so there won't be any extra expense put on the taxpayers.

Highway Superintendent Telaak stated that he talked to Supervisor Eagan on Monday, January 7th and told him he could rent a bucket truck from Lakeshore Hardware for \$170 a day or they were interested in selling it. You said that was fine, so I called them back and they said they were going to be busy for the next two days. My parks workers were already in and the weather was good. I couldn't see waiting two more days, and found one cheaper at \$150 a day. We started at 7:15 a.m. on Tuesday. I talked to you on Monday, so that Voucher you are talking about was after they dropped it off, after my workers were working with the machine and they wanted a voucher sent. As far as the comments you made in the paper about reckless spending of tax payers' dollars. I would like to report to the town that when I took office, the fund balance in the Highway Department was \$260,000. Currently there is \$545,000. I find it hard to believe that I can be a reckless spender when the fund balance has doubled in three years. The highway debt when I took office was \$822,000. At the end of December, it was \$430,000. The Highway Department overtime hours in 2002 were 2,596, which was before I was here. In 2006, they were 596.

Councilwoman Dobson asked what the 2007 overtime hours were.

Highway Superintendent Telaak stated that 2007 were 1,100. It just seems funny to me that you can criticize over the littlest things, but certain board members, especially Supervisor Eagan can go on a trip to NYC for the last 10 years at the taxpayer's expense. I find it wasteful and reckless spending of taxpayers' dollars.

Supervisor Eagan asked Highway Superintendent Telaak if he would like to talk about his Florida trip when he tried to charge the town for a rental car while he was on vacation after his conference.

Highway Superintendent Telaak stated that it should have been brought up then.

Supervisor Eagan stated that it was caught and corrected. This town has been sending people, including many past board members, to the state convention every year.

Highway Superintendent Telaak stated that Supervisor Eagan's voucher was over \$1,600.

Supervisor Eagan stated that it isn't a waste of money if you come back with a benefit.

Supervisor Eagan stated that your fund balance was paid by the taxpayers. You didn't do anything exceptional to pay that off. Part of the reason you are saving money is because the bookkeeper and myself are watching your expenses. Nobody says you are not tight with a dollar; you just refuse to follow policy.

Highway Superintendent Telaak stated that his vouchers are under \$300.

Supervisor Eagan stated because he plays games. You should call the state of New York Comptrollers office about your \$500,000 surplus and ask them what the limit is. You have a \$500,000 surplus and you didn't offer one tax reduction to the taxpayers during the last budget. I did that. Instead you wanted a 10% raise as Highway Superintendent, 16% raise as Parks Superintendent.

Highway Superintendent Telaak stated that he feels he is deserving of those raises. You wanted to spend \$360,000 on a tub grinder and \$150,000 for a salt barn. This is a waste of money and I told you I didn't want these.

Supervisor Eagan stated that the DEC told former Highway Superintendent Kreitzbender when he was here that we needed to move that salt barn. That has been a matter of record. We found out after we applied for a grant, which you objected to, I called the DEC and they said they had no record of it. Bill Forness knows that the DEC came out and investigated that salt barn very early in the morning and told former Highway Superintendent Kreitzbender about the salt seeping out and about the piles being outside. Don't make it sound like I wanted to spend money. We didn't do it because the DEC said they had no record of a violation. But on the \$500,000 surplus, you are operating with one less man because he retired due to illness and because of the increase in sales tax and other revenues. As far as the overtime hours, one of the reasons we had that legal problem in the Highway Department is because they were accused of selling overtime. That doesn't happen anymore under your watch and I applaud you for that.

Highway Superintendent Telaak stated that he pays it off by not wastefully spending.

Supervisor Eagan stated that a \$500,000 surplus is overtaxing the taxpayers. The comptroller will tell you that. You should be giving that money back to the tax payers in the form of a tax reduction.

Highway Superintendent Telaak stated that as Supervisor Eagan's prepares the preliminary budget. I want to buy trucks and you won't let me, how am I supposed to spend any money.

Supervisor Eagan stated to Highway Superintendent Telaak if he doesn't need the money, he shouldn't be charging the taxpayers. I'm glad this board approved a reduction in the Highway tax rate. We are going to do the same thing for the 2009 budget.

Parks Superintendent Telaak reminded those in attendance that if they need to use the Coming Events sign a form must be submitted for his approval. He stated that some have neglected to do that. The Policy Resolution also states that it must be removed within 24 hours of the event. He stated that a sign was up four days after the event.

Supervisor Eagan asked what sign was Highway Superintendent Telaak speaking of.

Parks Superintendent Telaak stated that it was the Patchin Fire Company Meat Raffle sign. There was no request submitted and it wasn't taken down in a timely manner.

Councilman Pluta stated that Parks Superintendent Telaak should contact the president of the Patchin Fire Company.

Town Attorney Downey noted that he spoke with the contractor who took care of the demolition on 6892 Boston Cross Road. In the next few days, they will be sending a dozer to that site to take care of the ruts that were left behind.

Councilman Pluta stated that he wants to clarify things about the equipment used between the municipalities. This is a fax provided from Highway Superintendent Telaak about the procedures and rules. He read that it was provided by the Erie County Association of Town's Superintendent of Highways and states a NYS provision of law that provide for planned help between municipalities such as

was the case in your Town of Boston when you were ordered by the town board to remove previously installed Christmas Decorations along Boston Roads. NYS Highway Law Section 142-D which states the Town Superintendent of Highways, with the approval from the Town Board, may permit the use of any town owned highway machinery by and any municipality. It is clear to any arrangement made by two municipalities for a loan of equipment to carry out normally planned work by one of them must be previously approved by both governing bodies before the loan is made. Usually does not enter into the case such as above. Mutual aid does not enter into a case such as above.?

Councilman Pluta stated that this is not mutual aid. It's a loan of equipment of municipalities.

Highway Superintendent Telaak stated that he can guarantee that the Hamburg and Concord Town Boards did not approve this and pass a resolution, and to make it legal that has to be done.

Councilman Pluta asked Highway Superintendent Telaak if he would agree that the law states that it can be done.

Highway Superintendent Telaak stated that he did not know if it could be done between the Highway and the Parks Departments. Per the Mutual Aid Agreement both Town Boards must approve it.

Supervisor Eagan stated that the Town Board may have directed him to take the Christmas Decorations down, but we didn't direct him to go to another town to borrow equipment.

Councilman Pluta stated that it says right in the letter the Town of Boston ordered him to take down the Christmas Decorations.

Councilwoman Dobson stated yes, we ordered him to do it, but not ordered him to get it from the town of Hamburg.

Supervisor Eagan stated that the way he reads this letter is that both towns have to agree to borrow the equipment. Although, we didn't have that agreement according to this when Concord let us use the

bucket truck to put them up. That highway superintendent should have requested town board approval before they lent Highway Superintendent Telaak the equipment to put the Christmas Decorations up.

Councilman Pluta asked Highway Superintendent Telaak under state law and town board approval can they borrow the equipment.

Highway Superintendent Telaak stated yes.

A motion was made by Councilman Pluta and seconded by Councilwoman Dobson to authorize Supervisor Eagan to act on behalf of the Town Board to approve any lending or borrowing of equipment from surrounding municipalities.

five (5) Ayes Carried

Supervisor Eagan asked Town Attorney Downey to explain to everyone what exactly the motion means.

Town Attorney Downey stated that the motion says that the Board has given the Supervisor the right to approve the lending and borrowing of town owned highway equipment with other towns.

Supervisor Eagan asked Town Attorney Downey if the board has the right to make such a motion.

Town Attorney Downey stated that he did not know and would have to review this particular section to see what it says.

Supervisor Eagan stated that he would like confirmation on that by tomorrow.

Councilwoman Dobson asked what equipment has been borrowed and/or lent out.

Highway Superintendent Telaak stated that he usually borrows a paver each summer from the Town of Eden and when they are paving they use our roller. We use trucks from other towns when we are oiling and stoning.

Supervisor Eagan asked if we use their drivers.

Highway Superintendent Telaak stated yes.

Councilman Pluta asked why this has turned into a big issue. He stated that Highway Superintendent Telaak had borrowed equipment before and there hasn't been an issue, but now when he's asked to borrow equipment, it's a big issue.

Highway Superintendent Telaak stated that it was the Parks Department that has to put up and take down the Christmas Decorations. The Parks and Highway Departments are two different things. The Parks Department does not have anything to offer the other towns back like Highway trucks switching back and forth for pavers and rollers.

Councilman Pluta stated that Highway Superintendent Telaak acts in a supervisory roll in both departments, so he could allow someone else the use of equipment if asked.

Supervisor Eagan stated that in the future the town board will just have to direct the Highway Department to work with the Parks Department.

Councilman Pluta asked Highway Superintendent Telaak if he knew what the term "structuring" meant. He explained it is when someone purposely goes out and structure the transfer of funds or procurement of equipment below a limit and purposely does that to beat the law. You are structuring these bills in order to avoid the procurement policy.

Supervisor Eagan stated that this topic has been beat up, nothing more can be said if both sides can not agree. If additional action is required in the future, than we will.

Councilwoman Maghran noted that the Planning Board has finished most of the code revisions and they should be ready for review shortly. She also noted the Planning Board met with the North Boston Fire Department in regards to their final landscaping plans and are awaiting their final submission. She encouraged the Fire Department to put their plans for the new fire hall in the front display case here at the town hall.

Councilwoman Dobson asked the Code Enforcement Office regarding the posting of house numbers if they received any responses from residents on Trevett and Powerline Roads and when they have to have it done.

Deputy Code Enforcement Officer Juda stated just one, and he wasn't sure of the exact date, but believed that he gave them 30 days from the date of the notice. He stated he would be going out and checking on the status.

Councilwoman Dobson thanked the Code Enforcement Office for taking care of this.

Councilwoman Dobson noted that the Easter Egg Hunt will be held this Saturday at 1:00 p.m. for children ages 1 - 12.

Councilwoman Dobson noted that because the ECC site for summer recreation will no longer be available and the kids will be using the Lion's Shelter. She has been looking into purchasing canvas to cover three sides of the lion's shelter to block out possible elements.

She has two quotes and is working on getting a third. She noted that because there are limited suppliers for this type of material, she may not be able to obtain a third and asked what the process would be.

Supervisor Eagan stated that because of the expenditure it may require three quotes or proposals, and they could discuss it at a work session. He noted that this has been discussed for several years. This cover will be a benefit for the residents and the summer recreation program.

Councilman Hawkins noted that National Grid has requested a meeting with the Town Board to discuss the drainage problems on Boston Cross, Pin Oak, Hickory Meadows and Hillcroft Roads.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Maghran and seconded by Councilwoman Dobson to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m.

five (5) Ayes Carried

DAVID J. SHENK, TOWN CLERK