

BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING
SEPTEMBER 11, 2006
CORRECTED MINUTES

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

First Selectman James W. McLaughlin called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM in the Durham Town Hall, 30 Town House Road. Board of Selectmen members present: James W. McLaughlin, Renee Primus Edwards, Maryann P. Boord. Also present: Approximately 20 people including: Deborah Hoyt, Nathaniel Kearney, Georgia Kearney, Tina Gossner, Borden Martin, Laurie Korn, Edith White, Sue White, Donia Viola, Diane Levy, Bill Smith, Michael Doyle, Trooper Peter DeGioia, Sgt. Bill Telford, Lt. Steve Consiglia, State Rep. Ray Kalinowski, Francis Willett, Sue Vanderzee (*Town Times*), and several others. The Pledge of Allegiance to the flag followed the roll call.

2. Approval of the Agenda

MOTION BY R. EDWARDS, SECOND BY M. BOORD TO AMEND THE AGENDA TO ADD ITEM RE: APPROVAL OF CHARTER REVISION QUESTIONS FOR THE NOVEMBER 7, 2006 BALLOT; MOTION TO AMEND AGENDA PASSED WITH 3 AYES.

3. Public Comments

There were no comments from the public at this time.

4. Maple Avenue Traffic Concern

Deborah Hoyt, 97 Maple Avenue explained that she and some of her neighbors on Maple Avenue were here tonight to express their concerns about, and to offer suggestions to improve, the safety of pedestrians, children, pets, and farm animals on Maple Avenue along the section between Route 68 and Town House Road. Mrs. Hoyt explained that their concern centers around the large volume and high speed of traffic on this section of Maple Avenue which is being used as a short-cut for residents and commuters to bypass congestion and traffic lights on Route 17. The heaviest traffic is between 7:00 and 8:30 a.m., and between 4:30 and 6:00 p.m. The school bus stops at four places on this section of Maple Avenue, and safety concerns increase when children are getting on and off the school bus.

Mrs. Hoyt noted that she and her neighbors had come before the Board of Selectmen in August of 2004 with similar concerns and suggestions, and added that several measures are already in place to control traffic on this section of Maple Avenue, including two 25 MPH speed limit signs and a sign that indicates that it is not a thru street. She and other residents believe additional safety measures should be implemented immediately to slow traffic, especially on the section of road with a sharp blind curve and a steep incline.

Mrs. Hoyt offered several suggestions to slow traffic and improve safety on Maple Avenue, including posting additional speed limit signs, installing a stop sign, and/or installing speed bumps. She suggested that historic traffic counts be reviewed to document the use of this road, and requested that the 25 MPH speed limit be strictly enforced. Mrs. Hoyt offered to pay for additional signage and urged the B/S to develop a 5-10 year plan to control traffic and improve safety on Maple Avenue.

R. Edwards noted that several solutions have been considered to improve safety on Maple Avenue including a No Thru Traffic sign, 25 MPH speed limit signs, a 3-way STOP sign at the intersection of Cemetery Road, a traffic study, and increased enforcement of the 25 MPH speed limit. M. Boord commented that she recalled the request that was made to the B/S two years ago and further recalled that the matter was referred to the Public Safety Committee (PSC) for its review and recommendations. She

said the PSC reviewed this issue very carefully at that time and the B/S complied with its recommendations. She noted that it is not permissible for stop signs to be installed for the purpose of slowing traffic. In addition, although trucks can be prohibited from using a road as a through-street, there is no legal way to stop cars from doing so. She noted that the B/S could ask the PSC to do another site visit and review this issue again.

Nathaniel Kearney, 146 Maple Avenue, reported that the constant traffic flow at a high rate of speed, along with an increase in the volume of traffic, has resulted in a truly dangerous situation for children, for people using their mailboxes, for pedestrians, and for animals. He urged the B/S to implement measures as soon as possible to improve safety for residents.

Tina Gossner, 29 Maple Avenue, remarked that when she has asked drivers to slow down they are rude and object to being reminded to obey the speed limit. She said it is frightening to hear squealing brakes as motorists who are driving too fast struggle to control their vehicles. Sue White, 110 Maple Avenue, urged the B/S to explore options to control the speed of traffic on Maple Avenue, perhaps by improving the flow of traffic on Route 17 during rush hours. Edith White offered that it is frightening and dangerous to use her mailbox because motorists take the turn from Route 68 onto Maple Avenue at excessive rates of speed.

Borden Martin, who lives on John's Way, asked what other safety measures the PSC has considered. R. Edwards replied that rumble strips were considered at one time. Bill Smith, a member of the Public Safety Committee, added that cobblestones in the center of the road were also considered. Ray Kalinowski, former First Selectman, recalled that the Durham Public Works Department recommended that speed bumps, cobblestones, and other measures that altered the surface of the road were determined to be unworkable because it would make it very difficult for snow plows to clear snow from the road and keep it clear of ice and snow if the surface of the road were altered.

Georgia Kearney remarked that it seems that although this issue was reviewed two years ago, the same safety concerns continue to exist and progress on coming up with a solution appears to have come to a standstill.

In response to a suggestion to use the smart machine on Maple Avenue to inform motorists how fast they are driving, Lt. Steve Consiglia from Troop F commented that the smart machined is co-owned by four towns and is currently being used in Killingworth. The machine is in need of repair, however Lt. Consiglia promised to have the machine repaired and returned to Durham in the next two weeks. Sgt. Bill Telford from State Police Troop F explained that he was Trooper DiGioia's supervisor and said he was committed to help the situation on Maple Avenue. He added that he would ensure there is a trooper posted on Maple Avenue in the next two weeks and noted that this would be a temporary solution. He added that this was a good time to segue into the issue of adding a second Resident State Trooper in Durham. Sgt. Telford praised the work of Trooper DiGioia, but added that Durham is a very busy town.

Laurie Korn offered a suggestion that a town in Vermont has used to control traffic on a residential road, where they have posted a speed limit sign of 14 MPH rather than 15 MPH which has proven effective because it captures drivers' attention.

MOTION BY R. EDWARDS, SECOND BY M. BOORD TO REFER THIS ISSUE TO THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE FOR REVIEW INCLUDING A SITE WALK; MOTION PASSED WITH 3 AYES.

Although unrelated to the Maple Avenue traffic issue, Michael Doyle thanked the Board of Selectmen for attending the site visit of Camp Farnham and thanked State Representative Ray Kalinowski for sending a representative. Mr. Doyle explained that the next challenge for the camp will be to address the Board of Directors of Farnham Neighborhood House, Inc. and request a feasibility study regarding restoration of the pond and dam. Mr. Doyle added that Superintendent Sue Viccaro supports Camp Farnham as a way to reduce economic and cultural isolationism in Durham.

Mr. Doyle asked the B/S to consider sending a letter to Farnam Neighborhood House, Inc. expressing the Town's willingness to explore areas of mutual interest regarding expanded utilization of the camp's resources.

5. Resident State Trooper Recommendation

Trooper Peter DiGioia thanked the Public Safety Committee for reporting and updating crime statistics in its report to the Board of Selectmen. He went on to say that he does not agree with the conclusion of the Public Safety Committee that a second Resident State Trooper (RST) in Durham is not necessary. Trooper DiGioia outlined the feasibility and impact of enacting the recommendations offered by the Public Safety Committee as alternatives to adding a second RST:

- Part-time administrative aide. Eileen at the Town Hall has proven to be a valuable asset in providing clerical support; however she is not in a position to provide the labor-intensive support needed for grant writing.
- Security cameras. The security controls in place for Regional School District 13 are proving to be effective in deterring vandalism and other problems at the schools.
- School Resource Officer. Although it would be very helpful to have the School Resource Officer for additional support, he is not available during the hours or months when school is not in session.
- Middlefield's RST. Durham cannot utilize the services of Middlefield's Resident State Trooper to help patrol CRHS even the school is in Regional School District 13. Liability issues would arise because Middlefield does not have the authority to offer the support of its officer to the Town of Durham.

M. Boord asked about the effectiveness of the Neighborhood Block Watch. Trooper DiGioia reported that there are currently seven block watches in place and it appears that no additional neighborhoods will be picked up. He added that statistics show that another RST is needed in Durham and urged the B/S to consider adding another RST.

R. Edwards suggested that this issue be added to the agenda of a future B/S meeting for further discussion and consideration. J. McLaughlin and M. Boord agreed. Sgt. Telford pointed out that although the crime statistics are favorable; Durham has other crimes that are not listed in the crime statistics report. He noted that it would be naïve to think that Durham should have only one RST.

6. Durham Historical Society Request

MOTION BY M. BOORD, SECOND BY R. EDWARDS TO APPROVE REQUEST FROM THE DURHAM HISTORICAL SOCIETY TO USE THE TOWN GREEN ON OCTOBER 21, 2006 TO HOST AN ART SHOW FOR FUNDRAISING PURPOSES AS PROPOSED IN CORRESPONDENCE FROM ROBERT ATWELL DATED AUGUST 25, 2006; MOTION PASSED WITH 3 AYES.

7. Recommendation from Secretary of State re: Charter Revision Ballot Questions

MOTION BY M. BOORD, SECOND BY R. EDWARDS TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS FOR THE NOVEMBER 7, 2006 BALLOT AS APPROVED BY THE SECRETARY OF THE STATE'S OFFICE:

- SHALL SECTION 2.1(1) OF THE CHARTER BE AMENDED TO PROVIDE THAT COMMENCING NOVEMBER 2007 THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN, TOWN CLERK, TAX COLLECTOR, TOWN TREASURER, AND REGISTRARS OF VOTERS SHALL SERVE TERMS OF FOUR (4) YEARS?
- SHALL SECTION 2.1(6) AND SECTION 6.1 OF THE CHARTER BE AMENDED TO PROVIDE THAT DURHAM MEMBERS OF THE REGIONAL DISTRICT 13 BOARD OF EDUCATION SHALL BE ELECTED AT THE GENERAL TOWN ELECTION FOR TERMS OF FOUR (4) YEARS, CONTINGENT UPON APPROVAL OF FOUR-YEAR TERMS BY A DISTRICT REFERENDUM AND SUBJECT TO TRANSITION PROVISIONS PROPOSED IN SECTION 6.1?

- SHALL ALL OTHER CHANGES AS PRESENTED BY THE CHARTER REVISION COMMISSION AND APPROVED BY THE DURHAM BOARD OF SELECTMEN ON AUGUST 28, 2006 BE ADOPTED?

MOTION PASSED WITH 3 AYES.

8. Appointment of Planning and Zoning Alternate

MOTION BY R. EDWARDS, SECOND BY J. MCLAUGHLIN TO APPOINT BRIAN AMECHE AS AN ALTERNATE MEMBER OF THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION.

Discussion followed. R. Edwards reported that Mr. Ameche had resigned as a member of P&Z because for a period of time he was not a resident of the Town, however he is now living in Durham at 190 Parmelee Hill Road. She went on to say that the P&Z Commission would like to have Brian back on the Commission and added that the Durham Democratic Town Committee recommends this appointment.

M. Boord asked if other nominations were being accepted.

MOTION BY M. BOORD TO NOMINATE MICHAEL DOYLE AS AN ALTERNATE MEMBER OF THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION. Motion was not seconded.

R. Edwards explained that she could not second this motion because, although she would like the Board of Selectmen to appoint Mr. Doyle to a commission at a future time, the current position should be given to Mr. Ameche. She noted that she has discussed this with Mr. Doyle personally. M. Boord questioned where 190 Parmelee Hill Road was located. Diane Levy offered that it is the home address of her and her husband, and reported that Mr. Ameche is renting a room from them.

Vote on motion to appoint Brian Ameche as alternate member of the P&Z Commission:

AYES: R. EDWARDS AND J. MCLAUGHLIN; NAY: M. BOORD; MOTION PASSED WITH 2 AYES.

9. Charge for Senior Citizen Tax Relief Committee

MOTION BY R. EDWARDS, SECOND BY M. BOORD TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING CHARGE FOR THE SENIOR CITIZEN TAX RELIEF COMMITTEE:

- TO RESEARCH CURRENT ELDERLY TAX RELIEF PROGRAMS USED BY CONNECTICUT MUNICIPALITIES, TO DO COST ANALYSES OF SELECTED PROGRAMS IF ADOPTED BY THE TOWN OF DURHAM, AND TO MAKE RECOMMENDATION(S) TO THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN.

MOTION PASSED WITH 3 AYES.

10. Senior Citizen Tax Relief Committee Appointments

The following eight people were discussed as potential appointees to the Senior Citizen Tax Relief Committee: Ron Cappozzi, Liz Conroy, Martin French, Howard Kelley, Lainey Melvin, Charles Mik, Rosemarie Naples, and Carolyn Wallach. The Board of Selectmen unanimously agreed to confirm the party affiliation of all potential candidates before making any appointments.

11. Charge for Regional Health District Exploratory Committee

MOTION BY R. EDWARDS, SECOND BY M. BOORD TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING CHARGE FOR THE COMMITTEE TO EXPLORE FORMATION OF A HEALTH DISTRICT:

- INVESTIGATE ALL OPTIONS AND ASSOCIATED COSTS CONNECTED WITH THE FORMATION OF OR JOINING AN EXISTING HEALTH DISTRICT
- PRESENT FINDINGS TO THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN BY FEBRUARY 1, 2007

MOTION PASSED WITH 3 AYES.

R. Edwards left the meeting at this point.

12. Economic Development Commission Proposal

J. McLaughlin and M. Boord agreed to address this issue at a future meeting when R. Edwards could be present to participate in the discussion.

13. Local Traffic Authority Request re: Cones/Signs in Crosswalks

In an effort to slow traffic and improve safety on Main Street, J. McLaughlin explained that he would like to contact the CT State Department of Transportation for permission to post signs on orange cones at the crosswalk(s) on Main Street to remind motorists that they must stop for pedestrians.

MOTION BY M. BOORD, SECOND BY J. MCLAUGHLIN TO SEND A LETTER TO THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO ASK PERMISSION TO POST SIGN(S) AT CROSSWALKS ON MAIN STREET (ROUTE 17) REMINDING MOTORISTS TO STOP FOR PEDESTRIANS IN THE CROSSWALK; MOTION PASSED WITH 2 AYES.

14. Tax Refunds

MOTION BY M. BOORD, SECOND BY J. MCLAUGHLIN TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING TAX REFUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$9,092.91 AS RECOMMENDED BY THE TAX COLLECTOR; MOTION PASSED WITH 2 AYES.

1. Jonathan/Patricia Carter
8 Christians Crossing
Durham, CT 06422
List Year: 2005; Reason: MV Refund; \$7.58
2. Anna R. Caruso
402 Lafayette Avenue
River Edge, NJ 07661
List Year: 2005; Reason: Overpayment; \$15.35
3. Kathy A. Cassella
103 Wheeler Hill Drive
Durham, CT 06422
List Year: 2004; Reason: Overpayment; \$2,387.43
4. Carolyn A. Curtis
11R Dead Hill Road
Durham, CT 06422
List Year: 2005; Reason: MV Refund; \$9.52
5. Richard A. Curtis
21 Dead Hill Road
Durham, CT 06422
List Year: 2005; Reason: MV Refund; \$36.10
6. David DeSanti
18 Linmar Drive
Durham, CT 06422
List Year: 2005; Reason: MV Refund; \$5.86
7. Johanna P. Fazzone
68 Crooked Hill Road
Durham, CT 06422
List Year: 2004; Reason: MV Refund; \$30.84
8. Christopher P. Flanagan
700R Haddam Quarter Road
Durham, CT 06422
List Year: 2005; Reason: MV Refund; \$16.88
9. Mario F. Forgione
71 Wagon Wheel

- Durham, CT 06422
List Year: 2004; Reason: Overpayment; \$2,230.41
10. Peter Forlini
347 Stage Coach Road
Durham, CT 06422
List Year: 2005; Reason: MV Refund; \$6.72
11. William Fritts
30 Ivy Way
Durham, CT 06422
List Year: 2005; Reason: MV Refund; \$50.27
12. Forrest G. Hall
244 Tuttle Road
Durham, CT 06422
List Year: 2004; Reason: Overpayment; \$100.00
13. Ronald J. Harris
26 South End Avenue
Durham, CT 06422
List Year: 2005; Reason: MV Refund; \$16.09
14. John B. Howell
51 Laurelbrook Road
Durham, CT 06422
List Year: 2003; Reason: MV Refund; \$324.91
15. Thomas W. Hudyma
105R Black Walnut Drive
Durham, CT 06422
List Year: 2005; Reason: MV Refund; \$15.72
16. Douglas/Maryann Krenz
246 Mica Hill Road
Durham, CT 06422
List Year: 2005; Reason: MV Refund; \$61.51
17. Phoeung/Yin Heng Mao
27 Wilcox Drive
Durham, CT 06422
List Year: 2004; Reason: Overpayment; \$867.16
18. Frank H. Mildeberger
c/o M. Zeeb
Austin Road
Durham, CT 06422
List Year: 2005; Reason: Overpayment; \$539.67
19. Henry Pruitt
142 Guilford Road
Durham, CT 06422
List Year: 2005; Reason: Overpayment; \$2,301.73
20. Ruth M. Stevens
85R Meetinghouse Road
Durham, CT 06422
List Year: 2005; Reason: MV Refund; \$4.20
21. Joseph F. Sulllivan, Jr.
38 Middlefield Road
Durham, CT 06422
List Year: 2005; Reason: MV Refund; \$18.37
22. VW Credit Lending Ltd.

1401 Franklin Street
Libertyville, IL 60048
List Year: 2005; Reason: MV Refund; \$41.11

23. Charles W. Wimler
DBA C. W. Wimler Company
601 Guilford Road
Durham, CT 06422
List Year: 2005; Reason: MV Refund; \$5.48

15. Crooked Hill Road Update

J. McLaughlin reported that there is nothing new to report on this issue. A meeting with the residents of Ivy Way will be held in the near future.

16. 345kV Transmission Line Update

J. McLaughlin and M. Boord reviewed a report of legal expenditures since Fall 2003 associated with the 345kV power lines issue. Also reviewed was a detailed invoice from Halloran & Sage, LLP dated August 24, 2006 in the amount of \$1,074.00 for costs associated with this issue.

17. Durham Fair Issues

MOTION BY M. BOORD, SECOND BY J. MCLAUGHLIN TO APPROVE THE ISSUANCE OF LETTERS FROM THE FIRST SELECTMAN TO THE DURHAM AGRICULTURAL FAIR ASSOCIATION GRANTING APPROVAL OF THE FOLLOWING REQUESTS:

- EXCLUSIVE USE OF THE TOWN GREEN ON SEPTEMBER 22, 23, AND 24, 2006
- TO ACT AS THE TOWN OF DURHAM'S AGENT FOR THE PURPOSES OF CONTRACTING WITH A TRANSPORTATION COMPANY FOR THE PERIOD SEPTEMBER 22, 23, AND 24, 2006
- TO ADVISE MAIN STREET RESIDENTS OF A NO PARKING BAN THAT WILL BE IN EFFECT ON SEPTEMBER 22, 23, AND 24, 2006

MOTION PASSED WITH 2 AYES.

Francis Willett thanked the Board of Selectmen for its ongoing support of the Durham Fair.

18. Approval of Minutes for August 28, 2006 Meeting

MOTION BY M. BOORD, SECOND BY J. MCLAUGHLIN TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FOR AUGUST 28, 2006 WITH THE FOLLOWING CORRECTIONS:

- ROLL CALL: NOTE THAT RENEE PRIMUS EDWARDS WAS NOT PRESENT AT THE ROLL CALL; SHE ARRIVED AT THE MEETING AT APPROXIMATELY 7:20 PM.
- MOVE THE NINTH MOTION ON PAGE 4 REGARDING THE APPROVED SECTIONS OF THE CORRECTED FINAL REPORT OF THE CHARTER REVISION COMMISSION TO THE LAST PAGE OF THE MINUTES. THIS MOTION WAS MADE AND VOTED ON AFTER THE MEETING HAD ADJOURNED AND R. EDWARDS HAD LEFT THE MEETING. J. MCLAUGHLIN AND M. BOORD HAD RECONVENED THE MEETING FOLLOWING ADJOURNMENT TO ADDRESS THIS ISSUE THAT HAD ERRONEOUSLY BEEN OMITTED DURING THE EARLIER DISCUSSION ON THIS ISSUE.

MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES AS AMENDED PASSED WITH 2 AYES.

19. Old/New Business

Tax Abatement for Trinity Corporation. J. McLaughlin reported he had been asked to research the reason that the First Selectman must request the Tax Collector to waive taxes for the Durham Trinity Corporation on an annual basis, and explained that it is because it is a legal requirement based on the manner in which the ordinance for Trinity Corporation was drafted.

MOTION BY M. BOORD, SECOND BY J. MCLAUGHLIN TO SEND A LETTER TO THE TAX COLLECTOR WITH A FORMAL REQUEST TO WAIVE TAXES ON THE GRAND LIST AS OF OCTOBER 1, 2005 FOR THE TRINITY CORPORATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$28,132.12; MOTION PASSED WITH 2 AYES.

Tax Abatements for DiNatale Property and Grippo Property. M. Boord noted that she is in favor of providing appropriate tax abatements for businesses in town **and it appears the only issues related to the DiNatale property tax abatement are to determine what the total cost is going to be in order to determine the specifics of the abatement, i.e. the percentage and the number of years.** **In response to a comment from J. McLaughlin about the Grippo property,** M. Boord noted that there appears to be a question as to whether the tax abatement was requested for this property prior to the issuance of the Certificate of Occupancy (CO). She noted that taxes can be abated only when such requests are made prior to the issuance of the CO. J. McLaughlin offered to research this further to determine the timing of the request.

Finance Director. As a follow up to this issue which was discussed at a prior meeting, J. McLaughlin provided a list of the candidates that applied for and were considered for the position of Finance Director for the Town of Durham. In response to a question from S. Vanderzee, J. McLaughlin reported that a Finance Director has been hired with a start date of September 25, 2006. He noted that a press release would be issued shortly.

Request to Post Sign for Durham Veterinary Hospital. J. McLaughlin reported that the State of CT Department of Transportation, in a letter dated August 29, 2006, denied a request to allow a sign for the Durham Veterinary Hospital to be posted on various State roads. In response to a question from Diane Levy as to why the request was denied, M. Boord read portions of the letters aloud. J. McLaughlin provided Mrs. Levy with a copy of the letter.

Public Safety Committee Term of Membership. J. McLaughlin and M. Boord reviewed a report regarding the history of the Public Safety Committee and the length of terms for its members. The report concluded that the term of office is at the discretion of the sitting Board of Selectmen. In response to a question, J. McLaughlin explained that this issue had been raised because the Public Safety Committee had made a request to the B/S to add new members. In response to another question, Bill Smith noted that the Public Safety Committee currently has six members; however not all of them are active members. At the request of the B/S, Mr. Smith offered to obtain attendance records and provide them to the Board.

20. Selectmen's Comments

M. Boord commented that she would like to honor the request from Michael Doyle that the Board of Selectmen send a letter to the Board of Directors of Farnham Neighborhood House, Inc. **prior to their next meeting** expressing the Town's willingness to explore areas of mutual interest regarding expanded utilization of the camp's resources.

MOTION BY M. BOORD, SECOND BY J. MCLAUGHLIN TO SEND A LETTER TO FARNHAM NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSE, INC. **PRIOR TO THE MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 23, 2006** TO BE SIGNED BY ALL THREE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN EXPRESSING THE TOWN'S WILLINGNESS TO EXPLORE AREAS OF MUTUAL INTEREST REGARDING EXPANDED UTILIZATION OF THE CAMP'S RESOURCES. MOTION PASSED WITH 2 AYES.

21. Public Comments

- Donia Viola commented that she feels the Town of Durham is very well served by CT State Police Troop F and added that Trooper DiGioia is responsive to our needs. She added that she believes a second RST is not needed in Durham.
- Bill Smith reported that the temporary fence installed on the Main Street side of the Library for the Durham Fair has a wide margin so pedestrians can walk in that area without having to walk in the road. He added that this was done to improve safety. M. Boord asked if this would encourage pedestrians to walk on the west side of the street rather than the east side which is safer because there is a sidewalk on the east side. B. Smith responded that it would not do so; it just makes it

safer for people who park in a lot that is just north of the library to walk safely from their vehicles to the fairgrounds.

- Bill Smith asked if Town House Road is still a one-way street. J. McLaughlin responded that Town House Road is still officially closed, and the B/S is still looking at whether the street will be one-way or two-way in the future.
- In response to a question about the availability of the 2005 Annual Town Reports, J. McLaughlin reported that they had been delivered to the Town Hall today. After several copies of the 2005 Annual Report were distributed to people in attendance, it was noted that the cover of the report erroneously has the year 2006 printed on it. [POST MEETING NOTE: THE PRINTER IS CORRECTING THE COVERS TO REFLECT THAT THE ANNUAL REPORT IS FOR 2005.]

22. Adjourn

MOTION BY M. BOORD, SECOND BY J. MCLAUGHLIN TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 8:45 PM; MOTION PASSED WITH 2 AYES.

Respectfully submitted,

Alice Tucker
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