

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Working Session
Minutes of August 24, 2009

Chairman Martha Morrison called the meeting to order at 4:31PM. Board members present, in addition to Chairman Martha Morrison, were Richard Gandt and Nancy Luther. Karen Dow and Laura Powers were absent. Of the Selectmen's staff, Town Administrator Virginia Wilder and Board Secretary Donna Rich were in attendance. John Kucich, a representative from Bohler Engineering, was also present.

Chairman Morrison stated the purpose of the meeting was to review proposed new signage and location of signage for TD Bank, N.A. at 16 Main Street. Mr. Kucich, Bohler Engineering, presented new recommendations to the Board with a sign location plan dated 8/21/09. The Board went through each sign and its location:

- E01 is being removed all together.
- E02 is merely a change in words. It was stated that it not be internally lit.
- E03 is being removed altogether.
- E04 is scaled back in size. Selectman Luther expressed concerns with the removal of the red circle with DO NOT ENTER in the center. Mr. Kucich will research the possibility of having the MUTCD (Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices) official DO NOT ENTER signage used in this location.
- E05, same request being made as in E04.
- E06 has the hours of business on the building.
- E07, same as E06.
- E08-E011 and E14 are all acceptable as presented.
- E15 is acceptable if illumination is in the downward direction. Mr. Kucich was asked to obtain clarification as to whether or not this sign is internally illuminated.
- N01 is an internal building sign and is acceptable as presented and is not subject to special permit.
- N02 generated a lot of discussion in regards to size, location, obstruction of view and material chosen for the sign.

Chairman Morrison stated that the Bylaw states the sign can be up to 10% of the façade or fifteen square feet maximum in size. The sign as presented is 17.99 sq. ft. It was decided to go to the site at 16 Main Street and view what a sign at the proposed size would actually look like on different locations. Three Selectmen, John Kucich, Ms. Wilder and Donna Rich proceeded to the location.

Mr. Kucich explained that TD Bank is reviewing the easements and parking area owned by the bank. Until those issues have been resolved the parking signage will not be finalized.

After review at the location the Board of Selectmen, Virginia Wilder and Donna Rich returned to the Town Hall, except for Mr. Kucich

Warrants: The Selectmen signed and approved warrants in the amount of **\$ 1,893,621.84**. The breakdown is as follows:

Warrant #FY10:	
17T	\$ 80,869.82
17School	\$ 179,212.66
18	\$1,633,539.36

At 6:11 PM, Chairman Morrison moved to go into executive session to discuss union contracts; seconded by Selectman Luther. In a roll call vote, a yes vote was recorded for Chairman Morrison, Selectman Luther, and Selectman Gandt. The Board would not return to open session. Virginia Wilder and Donna Rich were also present.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Rich, Secretary
Selectmen's Office

Approved as amended at the September 14, 2009 Board of Selectmen's meeting