

SELECT BOARD
Executive Session Minutes
Joseph F. Bilotta Meeting Room, Town Hall
September 14, 2021

Members present: Tom Alonzo, Chairman; Michael-Ray Jeffreys- Vice Chairman Lou Franco, Clerk; Jim Marino

Member not present: Todd Dwyer

Also present: Town Manager Heather Lemieux

The meeting commenced at 9:25 p.m.

Ms. Lemieux reported on the property located at 665 Massachusetts Avenue. Resident Dave MacDonald had spoken with her and offered to purchase this property and sell it to the Town for \$400,000. She was not sure what the advertised purchase price is. The assessed value is \$265,000. She reported that Mr. Marino, before retiring as Police Chief, had researched purchasing another lot directly in front of the Public Safety Building (PSB) for additional egress from the PSB lot. It would also have been an ideal location for an Animal Control facility.

Ms. Lemieux noted the 665 Mass Ave. property would not provide alternative egress to Beal Street in the event of an accident on Mass Ave.

Question asked was what would be Mr. MacDonald's profit margin. Discussion ensued about the soil conditions on the property and a lot of unique factors dealing with the sale. Ms. Lemieux noted Mr. MacDonald has also offered to build an animal control facility on the lot.

Mr. Alonzo asked if anyone has been in contact of the property owner of the lot directly located in front of the PSB. No one had. It was suggested to approach that property owner to revisit purchasing it.

Discussion resumed about Mr. MacDonald's offer and the Board's consensus was that Mr. MacDonald's offer did not fit what the town needed. Mr. Marino will reach out to the other property owner discussed above.

Motion: J. Marino

2nd:L. Franco

To adjourn from Executive Session

Vote: Mr. Marino-aye, Mr. Franco-aye, Mr. Jeffreys-aye, Mr. Alonzo-aye

The meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Elaine M. Peterson

Executive Assistant to the Town Manager