

TOWN OF HOPKINTON

Appropriation Appointing Committee

Meeting Date: October 5, 2004

MINUTES

Members Present:

Appropriation Appointing Committee: F. Eric Sonnett, Chairman; Paul J. Nelson, Vice-Chairman; Mary C. Pratt; Ronald M. Clark; Leonard A. Holden; Ann Click, Town Clerk; Dr. Bruce Karlin, Town Moderator

Others Present:

HCAM Station Director: Jim Cozzens; MetroWest News: David McLaughlin; HopNews: Bob Falcione; Appropriation Committee candidate: Joseph Karner; Selectmen's Office: Theodore D. Kozak, Executive Secretary and Geri Holland

8:00 p.m. VOTE: Mr. Sonnett entertained a motion to open the Appropriation Appointing Committee meeting. **So moved Dr. Karlin. Second Mr. Holden. Mr. Sonnett: yes; Mr. Nelson: yes; Mr. Clark: yes; Mr. Holden: yes; Mrs. Pratt: yes; Mrs. Click: yes; Dr. Karlin: yes. Unanimously voted.**

Members of the Appropriation Appointing Committee (AAC) agreed for Dr. Karlin to chair the meeting. Dr. Karlin stated that the purpose of this meeting is to interview candidate, Joseph Karner, for the vacancy on the Appropriation Committee (AC) for a term to 2007.

Dr. Karlin asked Mr. Karner what prompted him to apply for the vacancy on the AC. Mr. Karner gave a brief overview of his background. He said that as a member of the Cable Committee, he enjoys being involved in the community. He explained that when he learned about the vacancy on the AC, he contacted Mr. Eldridge, a member of the AC, to talk about the purpose of the Committee and its mission. He said that after a discussion about the AC, he was interested in serving on the Committee and believed his background and interest might be helpful to the AC. He then determined to submit his letter of interest for the Appropriation Appointing Committee's consideration.

Mr. Sonnett explained that the Board of Selectmen recently interviewed Mr. Karner for the vacancy on the Capital Improvement Committee, which resulted in another candidate's appointment; but that after Mr. Karner's interview, the Board encouraged him to apply for the AC appointment. He said that the BoS believed his background was better suited for this position. Mr. Clark agreed with this statement and gave his support of Mr. Karner's appointment. As there were no other comments, Dr. Karlin said that he believed the AAC was ready for a vote.

VOTE: Mr. Sonnett motioned to appoint Joseph Karner to the Appropriation Committee for a three-year term to 2007. **Second Mr. Holden. The votes are as follows: Mr. Sonnett: yes; Mr. Nelson: yes; Mr. Clark: yes; Mr. Holden: yes; Mrs. Pratt: yes; Mrs. Click: yes; Dr. Karlin: yes. Unanimously voted.**

Appropriation Appointing Committee Meeting Adjourned:

VOTE: Mr. Clark motioned to adjourn the meeting. **Second Mr. Sonnett. The votes are as follows: Mr. Sonnett: yes; Mr. Nelson: yes; Mr. Clark: yes; Mr. Holden: yes; Mrs. Pratt: yes; Mrs. Click: yes; Dr. Karlin: yes. Unanimously voted.**

Motion to Re-open the Selectmen's Meeting:

8:15 p.m. VOTE: Mr. Sonnett entertained a motion to re-open the Selectmen's public session. **So moved Mr. Clark. Second Mr. Nelson. Unanimously voted.**

Respectfully submitted,
Geri Holland
Clerk

Date Approved: 10/19/04