

Town of Tewksbury  
Sidewalk Committee  
Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: July 15<sup>th</sup>, 2002

Meeting Place: Tewksbury Police Station, Community Room

Attendee's: Franco Lucchesi, Ted Dooling, Mike Mucci, Laura Caplan, Sam Krikorian and Sandra Campo.

Guests: Elizabeth Carey-Town Clerk and Dan Coughlin from Tutola Engineering.

Meeting Commenced at 7:36 pm.

Liz Carey spoke to members regarding the Article question for the Special Town Meeting and the Ballot question for the State Election. She handed out an outline to members containing information regarding timelines for both of the above. Ballot question is to be submitted to Secretary of State by August 7, 2002 for the General Election to be held on November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2002. Mrs. Carey had a draft of same and stated that all MGL statutes and Laws were taken into consideration while drafting the question. She stated that she can not guarantee that it will be approved but does not anticipate any problems. She also stated that she would either hand deliver or submit it to the Secretary of State via registered mail to ensure it makes it by the deadline. Mrs. Carey also had a copy of the Article to be submitted by August 9<sup>th</sup> to be voted on (requiring a 2/3 vote) at the Special Town meeting scheduled for October 1, 2002. She stated that it will be reviewed by bond counsel and the Finance Committee.

Mrs. Carey also stated that we may want to consider the option of forming a Ballot Question Committee. Mrs. Carey discussed some of the details pertaining to same and then exited meeting at 8:10pm.

Dan Coughlin then spoke to members regarding the design plans for Shawsheen Street. He had two copies for members to review. Members discussed different options. Members will continue to review any changes we would like made (if any) and advise Mr. Coughlin of same. The plans are roughly 90% complete. Members discussed a granite vs. timber retaining wall in places where one will be necessary. To be determined. Ted inquired with Mr. Coughlin if there would be a cost savings if we waited to combine this phase with the next phase of Shawsheen St. construction. Mr. Coughlin stated that there would be a 10-15% cost reduction of both phases were done at the same time. Members will continue to weigh out our options as far as this issue is concerned. Franco did state that people may be getting anxious to see some results soon. Laura inquired about how to treat the areas that will be surrounding telephone poles. The plans have loom and grass seed. Laura stated a concern about overgrowth in those areas and lack of maintenance. The option was discussed about using asphalt instead. Mr. Coughlin continued to discuss options and exited meeting at 8:50 pm.

Franco stated that he spoke with Officer Warren regarding our 5 year plan. He stated he supports our plan and does not have any issues with it.

Members discussed the option to develop a Ballot Question Committee and voted unanimously in favor of doing so. Sandra will contact Liz Carey to get details on how to do so. Members will discuss our networking and p.r. approaches at our next meeting scheduled for August 5<sup>th</sup>, 2002.

Meeting minutes for June 24<sup>th</sup> to be voted on at next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 9:05 pm.