

Minutes
Board of Selectmen Meeting
Public Services Administration Building
September 17, 2018

7:00 p.m. A special neighborhood meeting of the Board of Selectmen was convened by Daniel Matthews. Also present were John Bulian, Matthew Borrelli, Marianne Cooley, and Town Manager Kate Fitzpatrick.

Public Safety Communications System

Ms. Fitzpatrick updated the Board on the current proposal to install a closed loop microwave system on four structures including a monopole at the Public Safety Building, a structure at the RTS, leased space on a tower in Needham Crossing, and a structure on land owned by the Commonwealth near the Norfolk County House of Correction. She noted that a zoning amendment would be required to implement the plan and that an article for that purpose has been included in the October 10, 2018 Special Town Meeting Warrant.

DPW Central Avenue Storage Building

Jeff Alberti, Weston & Sampson presented a PowerPoint presentation outlining the history of the project and the proposed design. Board members asked Mr. Alberti about screening and tree removal. Mike Richard, also of Weston & Sampson, said that a survey was conducted and the project will replant trees on a two for one basis. The trees will be replanted on the side and behind the building. He said there will be very little cleared area, and that a buffer will remain. He said that the facility will be very difficult to see from abutting property. He noted that the project team had been to the Design Review Board, and that comments and suggestions are being incorporated into the plan.

Chris Heep, Special Counsel for the project, said that the application for a special permit has been filed and a hearing will be held by the Planning Board on October 16th.

A resident from the Birds Hill neighborhood thanked the Board for seeking alternatives to placing structures in that neighborhood.

7:50 p.m. **Motion: Mr. Bulian moved that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was seconded by Mr. Borrelli. Unanimous: 4-0.**

Documents shown at this Board of Selectmen meeting are available at:
<http://needhamma.gov/DocumentCenter/View/17036>