

Special Town Meeting, February 26, 1974

Town Meeting was called to order at 8:00 P.M. by Louis Fossi, First Selectman.

1st order of business was to nominate a moderator.

Lillian Moorhead nominated Mr. Salvestor Monti as Moderator, there being no further nominations Mr. Monti was nominated moderator of said meeting.

1st item was to dispense reading call of the meeting.

Mr. Monti read item #1 of the call.

Mr. Fossi read the resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That the following described parcel of land be and the same is hereby accepted by the Town of Ridgefield:

All that certain piece or parcel of land situated in the Town of Ridgefield, County of Fairfield and State of Connecticut, shown and delineated on a certain map entitled "Map Prepared for James M.C. & Lillian J. Morton, Ridgefield, Connecticut. R-AA Residence Zone Area= 6.043 Ac", certified substantially correct by Robert M. Henrici L.S., February 8th, 1972, which map is on file in the office of the Town Clerk of Ridgefield as Map No. 5193.

Said premises being bounded:

Northerly: by land now or formerly of Henry W. and Mary B. Schimpfhauser;

Easterly: by Limestone Road; thence Southerly and Easterly: by land now or formerly of John Boyle and Judith Boyle; thence Southerly: by land now or formerly of Isadore L. and Anne E. Amos; thence Northerly and Westerly by and now or formerly of Ralph G. Ablon.

Mr. Fossi also read the Planning report which was in favor of accepting the parcel of land,

Being that there was no discussion on the item Mr. Monti asked for a vote by Aye's and No's. The Moderator declared the item approved.

Mr. Monti read Item #2 of the call.

Mr. Brooks, Chairman of the golf committee spoke on progress of the golf course and that the \$50,000.00 would be used for a club house and pro shop and stressed the need of both of these facilities.

Mr. Bright wanted it to be in the Town Meeting minutes that the Golf Committee has done an excellent job and wanted to be on record when come May that they have our congratulations. There was a round of applause.

Mr. Fossi read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That the recommendation of the Board of Finance that an additional appropriation of \$50,000 be made and added to the \$650,000 appropriation approved at referendum held December 18, 1971 for preparation and

construction of a golf course and associated recreational facilities on town-owned land in the Ridgebury District of the Town of Ridgefield and to authorize an increase in the amount of bonds and notes authorized for such project from \$650,000 to \$700,000 be and the same hereby is approved.

Seconded.

The moderator asked for a vote. Those in favor say Aye. Those opposed say No. The moderator declared the motion carried. Mr. Monti declared no one was opposed.

Mr. Monti read Item #3 of the call.

Mr. Fossi read the resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That an appropriation of the Board of Finance of the sum of \$9,000 to be loaned to the Ridgefield Conservation Commission, said sum to be loaned for a period of one year without interest be and the same hereby is approved. Said sum is to come from unappropriated surplus.

Seconded.

Mrs. Kelley showed on map location of property that the money will be used for. Location being off Florida Road.

Mr. Monti asked for a vote and declared the motion carried.

Moderator read #4 of the call.

Mr. Fossi:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That the Board of Selectmen be and the same are hereby authorized to enter into a lease of premises known as the Branchville Railroad Station with the State of Connecticut.

Mr. Fossi stated that this is the only way to keep the station open for commuters, and that he has had at least 8 different parties interested in operating the station. Moderator asked for a vote and declared the motion carried..

Moderator read #5 of the call.

Mr. Fossi:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That the action of September 16, 1973 by the Board of Selectmen in establishing a Bicentennial Committee for the Town of Ridgefield for the planning and operation of the bicentennial year 1976 on behalf of the Town of Ridgefield be and the same is hereby ratified and confirmed.

Mr. Towers, chairman of the group, spoke briefly on the subject. Moderator asked for a vote and declared the motion carried.

Moderator read Item #6 of the call.