



SELECT BOARD

Executive Session Meeting Minutes

Monday, March 18, 2024

6:30 PM

Room 204

Acton Town Hall

472 Main Street

Select Board Members Present: Jim Snyder-Grant, Fran Arsenault, Dean Charter, David Martin, Alissa Nicol

Additional present: Town Manager John S. Mangiaratti, Assistant Town Manager Thomas Begin

Ms. Arsenault moved, seconded by Mr. Martin to enter into executive session to discuss the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property located at 2 School Street under purpose 6 as an open session may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the public body and approved unanimously 5-0.

Mr. Mangiaratti updated the Board regarding the property at 2 School Street and the Board's thoughts on the offer from the current owner to purchase the property. Ms. Arsenault provided some MLS listing information on the property for the Board to review. Mr. Charter expressed his disinterest in pursuing purchasing the property. Ms. Arsenault expressed interest since it has not been on the market in over 40 years and its historical aspect. Ms. Nicol suggested considering the lease at the Senior Center is coming up and possibly consider the use of the bottom two floors of Exchange Hall as a potential site for the Senior Center or the whole facility for that use excluding the offices, but to also note that the tenant Magenta Dance Studio is thriving in the building and wouldn't want to lose that business. Mr. Martin noted that there should be a need for the property before considering a purchase and that the Town should not be in the business as a general landlord. Mr. Charter commented on the suggestion regarding considering the property as a potential site for the Senior Center and citing the current lack of parking, commercial kitchen, and elevator availability at the location and the hesitance to purchase a historic building. Mr. Snyder-Grant noted the Board's general disinterest in pursuing the property.

Mr. Martin moved, seconded by Ms. Nicol to exit executive session, and approved unanimously 5-0.