



Town of Dublin
Public Hearing-Police Department Training Facility
Tuesday, June 20, 2023

In attendance: Select Board Members, Carole Monroe-Chair, Susan Peters and Chris Raymond. Also present were Dublin's Police Chief, Tim Suokko and many area residents. (sign-in list is attached to these minutes)

CALL TO ORDER: Carole Monroe called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm after the meeting had to be moved outside due to the large number of attendees. She began the meeting by thanking everyone for their interest in the police department's proposal. She then read a list of "Rules of Engagement".

PROPOSAL PRESENTATION: Chief Suokko gave an uninterrupted Power-Point presentation outlining why the facility is important, where it would be located and how the facility would be used.

A question and answer session followed in which residents were able to ask direct questions to Chief Suokko.

Residents were then encouraged to state their opinions. Carole read names of individuals that had written, during the sign-in, that they wished to speak. She asked individuals to step forward to the microphone, state their name and address and present their thoughts within a 3- minute time limit. Following the completion of these names, Carole offered an opportunity to speak to all residents asking that they first raise their hand to be recognized. When all had their say, Carole offered the opportunity to speak to all other attendees since there were several non-residents attending, but had an interest in the outcome of the proposal either by owning property in Town or living nearby in Harrisville.

SUMMARY: In general, the Town fully supports the police department and understands the need for continual training/education, especially with the use of firearms. They understand that the world is changing and, unfortunately, violence is more prevalent. The main concern was that the suggested location is in a more densely populated area and people were concerned about the noise level, the possibility of stray bullets and the impact on the environment as well as property values. Other site locations and training opportunities were suggested by the residents. It was suggested that the community continue to work together to find a mutually agreeable solution that benefits the Town and the greater population. Several people also spoke in support of the Police Department having a training area.

Molly Pinney stated that it was not right for a three-member Board to make the final decision on this issue especially because this facility was not a consideration during the last

election and no member had run their campaign either for or against this issue. Carole assured the crowd that this was a fact-finding hearing and at this point in time, that further discussion will ensue. Molly Pinney told the Board that she was holding a petition with one hundred signatures stating that this Board not make a final decision, but to hold a Special Meeting to let the residents vote. After finding that it will cost the town several thousands of dollars to hold a Special Meeting, Molly said that she would consider whether to file the petition. Town legal counsel will be consulted to see if there are any implications of a petition being circulated but not submitted.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, Carole adjourned the Public Hearing Meeting at 6:47pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Katherine M. Fuller and Pamela J. Cox

Carole Monroe (Chair)

Susan Peters

Chris Raymond

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NAME
1 Tom Jones
2 Emily Pinner
3 Beth Pinner
4 Christopher Lestell
5 John Seales
6 Jeanie Sykes
7 Anne Brunning
8 Will. B. Day
9 Julie Phipps
10 Frank Rizzo
11 Maria Finnegan
12 James "J"
13 Bl. A. B. B.
14 Frank & Nancy Curran
15 Anne
16 Mary Armstrong
17 Helen Phipps

NAME
18 Rebecca DeFusco
19 Jeff Grosvener
20 Sarah Clough
21 Taylor Clough
22 Jeff Clough
23 Barbara Smith, D.M.
24 A. C. Sprague
25
26 Greg Moore
27 RIMAS J. KALATIS
28 Andrew Ralph Zingari
29 Kathy & Don Scott
30
31 Diane Davies
32 Tracymary Kalich
33 Karl Pfeiffer
34 Ray Ball

NAME
35 Phil & Mary Ann
36 Kathleen Bellmark
37 Dymira Groves
38 Aja Davis
39 Jeffery Morgan
40 Curie H. Moulden
41 Margaret Sprague
42 Richard Lobs
43 Megan Suokko
44 Mary Loftis
45 Samuel Moore
46 Henry James
47 Laurie Appel
48 Barbara Lachar
49 Mary H. Moore
50 Tom Van der Bit
51 Jessica Nelson

Notes

NAME
Don Primrose
E. Primrose
Don Healy
Jim Pounce
Peter S. Lucas
Erin Moore
Hilleg Moore
Sherry Sims
Justin Sims
Christen Cebanuro
Florence Calabro
Carla Drussel Moberg
Peter Drakeunderhof
Timothy Stillman
Thomas R. Martin
Mary Day Moreau
Polly Barniston

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NAME
Wendy Cayford
Barbara Yates
May Clark
Paul Graves
Molly Pinner
Fred Leventhal
Gerard Knorr
Donna Klemmer and
Susan Petty
James Moore
Blair Minkler
Jim & Ingrid Miller
Terry Myrland
Ned Hubert
David Peterson
Opal Mink
Grace Thomasson

17/85

NAME
Kelly Wendeman
Henry Noterski
Nancy Casland
Chris Coatsworth
Jean Skobodnyak
Alan Aloufari
James Moore
Destin Moore
Daniel Moore
Alvin R. Larkin
Althea Seaver
Christ Greene
Lisa Marie Andersen
Joan Hopkins
Tom Hopkins
Sarah Newell
Andrew Hunsford

17/102

NAME
Ken Hammersley
David W. Porter
Wendy Dwyer
Paul Rott
Seth Shaffer
Surasa Kalahars
Frederick K. Kalahars
Larry Gannett
Paul Lovett
Rapahd Miller
Blattwood
Quene Murray
Anna James
Monica Dieters
Scott Cunningham
Fong Lee

17/119

NAME
Karen Newell
Danni Webber
Robert Earle
Ken Moobs
K. Gekas
Kimberly Mearns
Archie Mott
Juliana Takacs
Rebecca Smith-Allen
Sarah Jane Bellamy
Richard P. Scofield
Jane E. Simpson
Robt. Jensen
Daniel Stockwell
Daniel Harlan
Jay Schachter
Rosemary Meek

17/136

NAME
Wendy White
Peter Remyon
Alan Green
Ted Gekas
Greisel E. Levee
David Levee
Jonathan Morgan
Linby Haskel
Mari Yamaguchi
Dennis Newell
Debbie P. P. P.
Arise P. P.
Jeremy W. P.
Hanne Hansen
Jean Remyon
James Fartharson

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NAME

Rita Seelrey MATSON

Jeremy Jones +

Joseph S. ANGELINO AND

JOHN ALBANO

Christine Clinton C

Angela Vanni

Ar. Vanni

PHIL CERRA

Gene Guy

Lance Roberts

Mark Worcester

MARILYNNE C. HEDSTROM

Bill Baker

Tatum Worcester

Justin Carpenter

Raymond Niemeyer

Beate Becker

Paul Hargis