

BOARD OF SELECTMEN – May 9, 2016

The meeting of the Board of Selectmen was posted and held at the WCAT Studios, 24 Hemlock Road, Wakefield, MA, with Chairwoman Ann McGonigle Santos presiding, Selectman Paul R. DiNocco, Selectman Peter J. May and Selectman Anthony Longo in attendance. Town Administrator Stephen P. Maio, Town Counsel Thomas A. Mullen and Clerk to the Board of Selectmen Sherri A. Dalton were also present. Selectman Brian E. Falvey and Selectman Patrick S. Glynn were absent.

Chairwoman Santos called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Chairwoman Santos called for a moment of silence for the passing of Selectman Glynn's nephew.

Daniel Benjamin appeared before the Board to express his reservations regarding the Special Town Election.

Selectman DiNocco motioned to appoint James F. Pinette of 24 Juniper Avenue and Richard Pearson of 27 Spruce Street to the Veteran's Advisory Board with terms ending April 30, 2019, seconded by Peter J. May and so voted.

Selectman DiNocco motioned to appoint Richard A. Colantuoni of 5 Marlyn Road, Billerica, MA as the vacation replacement Building Inspector, seconded by Anthony Longo and so voted.

Selectman DiNocco motioned to appoint Paula Eriksen of 6 Paon Boulevard as a Teller to Precinct 6 with a term ending December 31, 2016, seconded by Peter J. May and so voted.

Phyllis Hull appeared before the Board to make a formal request for a Special Town Election to fill the vacant Board of Selectmen seat. She stated that she has obtained the required 200 signatures and requested that the Board of Selectmen schedule the election for as soon as possible. Town Counsel Thomas Mullen stated that the Massachusetts Secretary of State's office has advised the town that a Special Election date could not be set any sooner than 64 days from the date that the selectmen vote to call such an election. Mr. Mullen also said that in his legal opinion the selectmen had little choice but to call a Special Election. Selectman DiNocco asked Mrs. Hull to consider waiting until September when the State Primary Election will be held. Mrs. Hull stated that she will not wait until September. Selectman Longo said that it would not be in the town's best interest and asked Mrs. Hull to withdraw her request. Selectman Longo pointed out that the voter turnout for the Annual Town Election in April was low. Mrs. Hull replied that she would not wait. Selectman Longo motioned to set the Special Town Election for July 19, 2016, seconded by Selectman DiNocco and so voted.

At 7:48 p.m. Selectman DiNocco motioned to open the Public Hearing regarding the WMGLD request, seconded by Selectman Longo and so voted.

Roll Call:

Selectman DiNocco – yes

Selectman May – yes

Selectman Longo – yes

Chairwoman Santos – yes

Eugene Sullivan from the WMGLD appeared before the Board to request permission to place a pole to be numbered Pole 72 ½ between Quannapowitt Parkway and Main Street, approximately 39' (thirty-nine feet) Northwesterly of Pole #72. No one from the public spoke in favor or against the poles.

Selectman DiNocco motioned to approve the request from the WMGLD to place 1 (one) pole, to be numbered Pole 72 ½ between Quannapowitt Parkway and Main Street, approximately 39' (thirty-nine feet) Northwesterly of Pole #72, seconded by Selectman Longo and so voted.

At 7:51 p.m. Selectman DiNocco motioned to close the Public Hearing, seconded by Selectman May and so voted.

Roll Call:

Selectman DiNocco – yes

Selectman May – yes

Selectman Longo – yes

Chairwoman Santos – yes

Catherine Dhingra from the Board of Health appeared before the Board to talk about the new S.O.A.R. program starting May 2016. Substance & Opiate Awareness & Reduction is a group focused on recovery, healing and support for young adults in Wakefield and Stoneham. This program is led by a licensed Mental Health Clinician, Substance Abuse Counselor on a weekly basis and consists of a maximum of 15 participants in which the participants must go through an in-take process with South Bay Community Services.

The Selectmen were in receipt of the General Obligation Bond Anticipation Note.

Town Administrator Stephen P. Maio read the following Motion:

Voted: to approve the sale of \$4,302,743 1.00 General Obligation Bond Anticipation Note (the “Note”) of the Town dated May 20, 2016, payable May 19, 2017, at par plus a premium of \$9,466.03.

Further Voted: that in connection with the marketing and sale of the Note, the preparation and distribution of a Notice of Sale and Preliminary Official Statement dated April 28, 2016, and a final Official Statement dated May 3, 2016, each in such form as may be approved by the Town Treasurer, be and hereby are ratified, confirmed, approved and adopted.

Further Voted: that the Town Treasurer and the Board of Selectmen be, and hereby are, authorized to execute and deliver a significant events disclosure undertaking in compliance with SEC Rule 15c2-12 in such form as may be approved by bond counsel to the Town, which undertaking shall be incorporated by reference in the Note for the benefit of the holders of the Note from time to time.

Further Voted: that we authorize and direct the Treasurer to establish post issuance federal tax compliance procedures in such form as the Treasurer and bond counsel deem sufficient, or if such procedures are currently in place, to review and update said procedures, in order to monitor and maintain the tax-exempt status of the Note.

Further Voted: that each member of the Board of Selectmen, the Town Clerk and the Town Treasurer be and hereby are, authorized to take any and all such actions, and execute and deliver such certificates, receipts or other documents as may be determined by them, or any of them, to be necessary or convenient to carry into effect the provisions of the foregoing votes.

Selectman DiNocco so motioned, seconded by Selectman Longo and so voted.

Selectman DiNocco motioned to accept the request from Sharon Gilley, Director of the Lucius Beebe Memorial Library to accept and expend a gift or gifts to the library in the amount of \$9,542.45 from various donor with thanks, seconded by Selectman May and so voted.

Correspondence:

Letter from Karen Faler regarding her being selected as one of the Commonwealth’s Unsung Heroines of 2016

Comments:

Chairwoman Santos – congratulations to two Wakefield students won awards for the MWRA school contest; May 15, 2016 through May 21, 2016 is National Public Works Week

Selectman DiNocco – Friday night May 13, 2016 is the Culinary Event; would like crosswalks on the next agenda

Selectman Longo – glad to be on the Board; July 19, 2016 is the Special Election and any candidate who would like to serve on the Board of Selectmen should go to the Town Clerks office

Selectman May – he is selling tickets for the Culinary Event if anyone would like to buy them

Town Counsel – welcome to the two new members

Town Administrator – received the resignation of Frank Hayes from the Zoning Board of Appeals with regret; welcome to the new members; thank you to Ann Santos for her time as chair

Selectman DiNocco motioned to adjourn at 8:06 p.m., seconded by Selectman Longo and so voted.

Sherri A. Dalton, Clerk