

BOARD OF SELECTMEN – March 10, 2014

The meeting of the Board of Selectmen was posted and held at the WCAT Studios, 24 Hemlock Road, Wakefield, MA, with Chairman Tiziano Doto presiding, Selectman Brian Falvey, Selectwoman Betsy Sheeran, Selectman Paul R. DiNocco, Selectman Patrick S. Glynn, Selectwoman Phyllis J. Hull, Selectwoman Ann McGonigle Santos in attendance. Town Administrator Stephen P. Maio and Town Counsel Thomas A. Mullen were also present as well as Clerk to the Board of Selectmen Sherri Eskenas.

Department Head in attendance were Kevin Gill, Town Accountant; Michael Sullivan, Fire Chief, Richard Smith, Police Chief, David Knox, I.T. Director.

Chairman Doto called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Selectman Sheeran motioned to accept the Regular Board Minutes of February 24, 2014, seconded by Selectman Glynn and so voted.

Kathy Donovan from The Scholarship Foundation of Wakefield was before the Board with student directors Maggie Scanlon, Will Shea and Bridget Scanlon and made a presentation to the Board. Chairman Doto read and presented a Resolution and the Board designated the week of March 16-22, 2014 as Dollars for Scholars Week in Wakefield. A photograph was taken with the Board before the meeting.

Robert Mitchell of 6 Spaulding Street was before the Board for Public Participation to talk about the Town Referendum on April 1, 2014 and the Forum on March 24, 2014.

Peter Safner of 14 Molly Circle was before the Board for Public Participation regarding the potential construction on Stark Avenue which he is opposed to.

At 7:40 p.m. Selectwoman Sheeran motioned to enter into the Public Hearing regarding the license violation for Greatest Breakfast and Lunch restaurant, seconded by Selectman DiNocco and so voted.

Roll Call

Selectwoman Hull – yes

Selectwoman Santos – yes

Selectman DiNocco – yes

Selectman Glynn – yes

Selectwoman Sheeran- yes

Selectman Falvey – yes

Chairman Doto – yes

Orest Osmanaj owner of Greatest Breakfast and Lunch restaurant was before the Board to answer questions regarding BYOB at his restaurant. Town Administrator Stephen P. Maio advised the Board that Mr. Osmanaj has not renewed the Common Victualler License and that he was still doing BYOB and advertising a sign on his window. Mr. Maio said that his office had sent out two letters to Mr. Osmanaj regarding this and that Mr. Osmanaj was served by Constable a letter requesting his presence at the Board of Selectmen meeting. Mr. Maio also contacted the Police Department to have them verify that BYOB was going on which the Police Department did in fact verify. Mr. Osmanaj told the Board that as of January 1, 2014 he was no longer doing BYOB and that his wait staff must not have known that. Town Administrator Maio told the Board that the police were at the Greatest Breakfast and Lunch restaurant on February 21, 2014 and that per the Police Report BYOB was still going on. Town Administrator Maio told the Board that he would like to see the license of the Greatest Breakfast and Lunch restaurant revoked for a number of days.

Selectwoman Sheeran motioned for a 7 day license suspension from the date that the Common Victualler license of the Greatest Breakfast and Lunch restaurant gets renewed, seconded by Selectman Glynn and so voted.

At 7:57 p.m. Selectwoman Santos motioned to close the Public Hearing, seconded by Selectman DiNocco and so voted.

Roll Call

Selectwoman Hull – yes

Selectwoman Santos – yes

Selectman DiNocco – yes

Selectman Glynn – yes

Selectwoman Sheeran – yes

Chairman Doto – yes

Joseph Ventura of 53 Stark Avenue was before the Board for Public Participation regarding the construction on Stark Avenue which he is opposed to.

James Fricia of 11 Molly Circle was before the Board for Public Participation regarding the construction on Stark Avenue which he is opposed to.

Glen Melton of 24 Stark Avenue was before the Board for Public Participation regarding the construction on Stark Avenue which he is opposed to.

Joseph and Terry Melton of 26 Stark Avenue were before the Board for Public Participation regarding the construction on Stark Avenue which they are opposed to.

Brian McGrail of 81 Outlook Road and as the Attorney of Mr. John Anjim the owner of Lot 26 who wants to construct a single family home on Stark Avenue was before the Board for Public Participation. Mr. McGrail told the Board that this request was already approved by the Planning Board and is has now been a 7 month process with the Conservation Commission. He told the Board that the only matter before them tonight was whether the Board of Selectmen would allow the Conservation Commission to accept an Easement which they requested and is part of an Order of Conditions.

Selectwoman Sheeran motioned to accept the request from Mary Galvin to appoint Jeanne C. Stinson of 4 Norway Street to Precinct 4 as a Teller with a term expiring August 31, 2014, seconded by Selectwoman Hull and so voted.

Selectman Glynn motioned to appoint Stephen J. Breton of 12 Armory Street to the Lake Quannapowitt Subcommittee with a term expiring March 10, 2015, seconded by Selectwoman Sheeran and so voted.

Selectwoman Sheeran motioned to appoint James H. Murphy of 44B Salem Street to the Lake Quannapowitt Subcommittee with a term expiring March 10, 2015, seconded by Selectman Glynn and so voted.

Selectwoman Sheeran recused herself due to discussion regarding the Fire Department Budget and Emergency Management Budgets, she left the room.

Selectman Glynn motioned to approve the Fire Department Budget in the amount of \$4,130,159.00 as presented by Kevin Gill, seconded by Selectman DiNocco and so voted.

Selectman Glynn motioned to approve the Emergency Management Budget in the amount of \$30,872.00 as presented by Kevin Gill, seconded by Selectman DiNocco and so voted.

Selectwoman Sheeran rejoined the meeting.

Selectwoman Sheeran motioned to approve the I.T. Department Budget in the amount of \$420,814.00 as presented by Kevin Gill, seconded by Selectman DiNocco and so voted.

Selectwoman Sheeran motioned to approve the Police Department Budget in the amount of \$4,693,173.00 as presented by Kevin Gill, seconded by Selectman DiNocco and so voted.

Selectwoman Sheeran motioned to approve the Recreation Department Budget in the amount of \$50,000.00 as presented by Kevin Gill, seconded by Selectman DiNocco and so voted with Selectman Falvey voting against it.

Selectwoman Sheeran motioned to set the date of May 12, 2014 for the Annual Town Meeting and open the Warrant, seconded by Selectwoman Santos and so voted.

Selectman Glynn motioned to set the date of April 14, 2014 to close the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting, seconded by Selectwoman Sheeran and so voted.

Town Counsel Thomas Mullen advised the Board regarding the request by the Conservation Commission of the acceptance of an easement from Anjim over Lot 26 of Mardeen Estates. Mr. Mullen told the Board that the Board of Selectmen does not lay out subdivisions because that is the job of the Planning Board and that has already been done. The Board of Selectmen does not decide on how to condition construction in order to preserve wetlands because that is the job of the Conservation Commission. All the Board of Selectmen is being asked to whether to assent to the acceptance of an easement that the Conservation Commission has already agreed to. Mr. Anjim and the Conservation Commission has come to an agreement whereas the proposal is to give the Town an easement for the trail.

Selectman Doto motioned to approve the request by the Conservation Commission for the acceptance of an easement from Anjim over Lot 26 of Mardeen Estates, seconded by Selectwoman Hull. Selectwoman Hull, Selectwoman Santos and Selectwoman Sheeran are in favor of the motion. Selectman Glynn, Selectman DiNocco, Selectman Doto and Selectman Falvey are against the motion. Voted 4-3 motion does not carry.

Selectman DiNocco presented the Board with a few designs of banners for the downtown. After discussion Selectman DiNocco motioned to table the banners, seconded by Selectwoman Sheeran and so voted.

Selectman Falvey motioned to authorize the Town Administrator to sign a Discharge of Mortgage from Raymond Falite and Ronald Falite, Trustees of Millbrook Rentals Realty Trust, seconded by Selectwoman Sheeran and so voted.

Selectwoman Sheeran motioned to approve the request from the Wakefield Chamber of Commerce for a 30 day liquor license from April 11, 2014 through May 11, 2014 for ordering and acquiring alcoholic beverages for Blossoms at the Beebe to be held at the Lucius Beebe Memorial Library on April 26, 2014 from 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m., seconded by Selectman DiNocco and so voted.

Selectman DiNocco motioned to approve the request from Joyce Patch of St. Florence Parish for a One Day Liquor License for St. Florence's annual St. Patrick's Dinner and Dance to be held in the church hall on March 22, 2014 from 6:00 p.m. until 11:00 p.m., seconded by Selectwoman Sheeran and so voted.

Selectwoman Sheeran motioned to approve the request from William Zink for a Common Victualler License for 61 New Salem Street Diner, seconded by Selectman Falvey and so voted.

Selectwoman Sheeran motioned to approve the request from Jierong Mo for a Class II License for Wakefield Motor Gallery, Inc., at 506 Main Street, seconded by Selectman Glynn and so voted.

Comments:

Town Administrator Stephen P. Maio – tonight was the first night on the tablets and if any Board members have any questions or concerns to let us know.

Selectman DiNocco – spoke regarding the \$10,000.00 Massachusetts Downtown Grant; Shamrock Festival is March 23, 2014 from 9:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. at the West Side Social Club with Betsy Sheeran and Gerard Leeman being the emcees.

Selectwoman Sheeran – Please remember the Food Pantry; happy St. Patrick's Day.

Selectman Falvey – Public Forum is Monday, March 24, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at the Savings Bank Theater; would like to draft a letter of support to be signed by the Board of Selectmen regarding the garage. Selectwoman Sheeran motioned to approve the drafting of a garage support letter by Selectman Falvey to be signed by the Board of Selectman, seconded by Selectwoman Santos and so voted.

Board Members signed weekly warrants; 30 Day Liquor License, One Day Liquor License; Class II License

Selectwoman Sheeran motioned to adjourn at 10:12 p.m., seconded by Selectman DiNocco and so voted.

Sherri A. Eskenas, Clerk