



WAKEFIELD TOWN COUNCIL

Monday, January 14, 2019

7:00 P.M.

WCAT - 24 Hemlock Road, Wakefield, MA. 01880

**COUNCIL
MEMBERS
PRESENT:**

Councilor Mehreen N. Butt
Councilor Paul R. DiNocco
Councilor Edward F. Dombroski, Jr.
Councilor Julie Smith-Galvin
Councilor Anthony Longo, Vice-Chairperson
Council Peter J. May, Chairperson
Councilor Ann McGonigle Santos

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT:

Town Administrator Stephen P. Maio
Executive Assistant Sherri A. Dalton

----- TOPICS OF DISCUSSION -----

Call to Order	Councilor May called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Town Council in the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.
Public Participation	Anthony Guardia of 27 Davey Lane, Wakefield and George Seibold of 1 Toms Way, Stoneham addressed the Board regarding Stoneham Town Officials vs. the Wakefield Town Officials at the Dodging for Dollars fundraiser on April 20, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. at the Boys and Girls.
Joint Meeting - Wakefield Housing Authority	Jane Good, Charles Geier and Lorelei Mackay of the Wakefield Housing Authority Board appeared before the Town Council to fill the vacancy on the Wakefield Housing Authority. The Housing Authority brought forth the nomination of Valerie Pennington. Councilor Dombroski stated that Gene Moulton was another applicant who is also qualified. Councilor Santos motioned to appoint Valerie Pennington to the Wakefield Housing Authority Board. Councilor DiNocco seconded. Motion passed 10-0-0.
Age Friendly Community update	Judy Luciano Director of the Council on Aging along with Judy Camilia and Tom Coffin appeared before the Town Council and gave a brief update on the Age Friendly Community update. The committee had a couple of public hearings as well as conducted a survey in which 349 participated. The results of the survey were positive in which people wanted to stay in Wakefield as they aged. They want the community to be walkable and drivable and they want to be informed of Town business. The committee is currently working on an action plan to address the needs that the people expressed.
2020 Budgets	<p>Councilor Santos motioned to approve the Legal Department budget in the amount of \$184,272.00 as presented by Town Accountant Kevin Gill. Councilor Longo seconded. Motion passed 7-0-0.</p> <p>Councilor Santos motioned to approve the Election Expense budget in the amount of \$25,450.00 as presented by Town Accountant Kevin Gill. Councilor Longo seconded. Motion passed 7-0-0.</p>

Councilor Santos motioned to approve the Finance Committee budget in the amount of \$7,060.00 as presented by Town Accountant Kevin Gill. Councilor DiNocco seconded. Motion passed 7-0-0.

Councilor Santos motioned to approve the Conservation Department budget in the amount of \$45,757.00 as presented by Town Accountant Kevin Gill. Councilor Longo seconded. Motion passed 7-0-0.

Councilor Santos motioned to approve the Planning Board budget in the amount of \$12,975.00 as presented by Town Accountant Kevin Gill. Councilor Longo seconded. Motion passed 7-0-0.

Councilor Santos motioned to approve the Board of Appeals budget in the amount of \$25,300.00 as presented by Town Accountant Kevin Gill. Councilor Longo seconded. Motion passed 7-0-0.

Councilor Santos motioned to approve the Fire Alarm budget in the amount of \$63,515.00 as presented by Town Accountant Kevin Gill. Councilor Longo seconded. Motion passed 7-0-0.

Councilor Santos motioned to approve the Sealer of Weights and Measures budget in the amount of \$6,000.00 as presented by Town Accountant Kevin Gill. Councilor Longo seconded. Motion passed 7-0-0.

Councilor Santos motioned to approve the Animal Inspector budget in the amount of \$83,071.00 as presented by Town Accountant Kevin Gill. Councilor Longo seconded. Motion passed 7-0-0.

Councilor Santos motioned to approve the Parking Clerk Department budget in the amount of \$12,375.00 as presented by Town Accountant Kevin Gill. Councilor Longo seconded. Motion passed 7-0-0.

Councilor Santos motioned to approve the Council on Aging budget in the amount of \$245,272.00 as presented by Town Accountant Kevin Gill. Councilor Longo seconded. Motion passed 7-0-0.

Councilor Santos motioned to approve the Recreation Department budget in the amount of \$105,946.00 as presented by Town Accountant Kevin Gill. Councilor DiNocco seconded. Motion passed 7-0-0.

Councilor Santos motioned to approve the Veterans Department budget in the amount of \$245,508.00 as presented by Town Accountant Kevin Gill. Councilor DiNocco seconded. Motion passed 7-0-0.

Councilor Santos motioned to approve the Street Lights budget in the amount of \$188,131.00 as presented by Town Accountant Kevin Gill. Councilor Longo seconded. Motion passed 7-0-0.

Councilor Santos motioned to approve the Historical Commission budget in the amount of \$2,000.00 as presented by Town Accountant Kevin Gill. Councilor DiNocco seconded. Motion passed 7-0-0.

Councilor Santos motioned to approve the Unemployment budget in the amount of \$75,000.00 as presented by Town Accountant Kevin Gill. Councilor DiNocco seconded. Motion passed 7-0-0.

Councilor Santos motioned to approve the Reserve Fund budget in the amount of \$300,000.00 as presented by Town Accountant Kevin Gill. Councilor DiNocco seconded. Motion passed 7-0-0.

Councilor Santos motioned to approve the Professional Medical Department budget in the amount of \$10,850.00 as presented by Town Accountant Kevin Gill. Councilor Longo seconded. Motion passed 7-0-0.

**Traffic
Advisory
Recommendation**

Councilor Longo motioned to approve the request of the Traffic Advisory Committee to install a handicapped parking space in the front of 68 Bennett Street and that the Traffic Advisory Committee and the Commission on Disability Issues to review the space on an annual basis and remove the parking space if there is no longer a need for it. Councilor DiNocco seconded. Motion passed 7-0-0.

**Bid
Acceptance**

Councilor Longo motioned to accept the bid of Christine Sancinito of 27 Humphrey Street for the town owned land on Humphrey Street identified as Map 27, Block 133, Parcel 113 in the amount of \$3,500.00 to be paid to the Town of Wakefield. Councilor Santos seconded. Motion passed 7-0-0.

**Banner
Request**

Councilor DiNocco motioned to approve the request of the Wakefield Co-operative Bank to hang a banner on Main Street from March 18, 2019 through March 30, 2019 for the Home Expo. Councilor Longo seconded. Motion passed 7-0-0.

**Library
Request**

Councilor Santos motioned to approve the request from the Library to accept and expend a gift or gifts to the library in the amount of \$7,431.00 from various donors with thanks. Councilor DiNocco seconded. Motion passed 7-0-0.

**Registrar
Appointments**

Councilor Santos motioned to appoint Kathleen Beaulieu, Wesley A. Becket and Peter J. Solomon as Registrars from January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019. Councilor Longo seconded. Motion passed 7-0-0.

**Election /
Town Meeting
Appointments**

Councilor Santos motioned to appoint Muriel Campbell and Cindy McGrath as Election / Town Meeting workers from January 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020.

**License /
Permits**

Councilor Santos motioned to approve the 2019 Fortune Teller License renewal application for Psychic Reading. Councilor Longo seconded. Motion passed 7-0-0.

Councilor Longo motioned to approve the 2019 Common Victualler License renewal applications for North Ave Diner; Jade Gourmet; Honey Dew Donuts. Councilor Santos seconded. Motion passed 7-0-0.

Councilor Santos motioned to approve the 2019 Lodging House License renewal application for Wakefield House. Councilor Longo seconded. Motion passed 7-0-0.

Councilor Santos motioned to approve the 2019 Class II License renewal applications for WW Industries, Inc.; EMS Direct, LLC; AC Auto, LLC; Select Enterprises; Dick's Foreign Car; Platinum Car Center. Councilor Longo seconded. Motion passed 7-0-0.

Councilor Santos motioned to approve the 2019 Class I License renewal application for EMS Direct, LLC. Councilor Longo seconded. Motion passed 7-0-0.

Councilor Santos motioned to approve the request from The Scholarship Foundation for a One Day Liquor License. Councilor DiNocco seconded. Motioned passed 6-0-1 with Councilor Longo abstaining.

Councilor Longo motioned to approve the request from The Committee to Re-elect Ann Santos for a One Day Liquor License. Councilor DiNocco seconded. Motion passed 6-0-1 with Councilor Santos abstaining.

Councilor Santos motioned to approve the request from The Committee to Re-elect Anthony Longo for a One Day Liquor License. Councilor DiNocco seconded. Motion passed 6-0-1 with Councilor Longo abstaining.

**Minutes –
December 10,
2018**

Councilor Smith-Galvin amended the December 10, 2018 Minutes. DiNocco motioned to approve the Minutes as amended. Councilor Santos seconded. Motion passed 7-0-0.

**Warrant
Review and
Signing**

Councilor Smith-Galvin signed Warrant #21 dated November 20, 2018 through Warrant #25 dated December 18, 2018 regarding town affairs.

**Next Board
Meeting**

The next regular Town Council meeting is scheduled for January 28, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at WCAT, 24 Hemlock Road

**Matters Not
Anticipated
By The Chair
Within 48
Hours of
Meeting**

Councilor Butt – the Library is coming up with their 5 year strategic plan if anyone has any ideas please reach out to Catherine McDonald; Lake Bench Committee has had a couple of meetings and the committee will be back in front of the Town Council with policy recommendations for benches around the lake and the public parks; Human Rights Commission will be having their MLK Unity event on January 21, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. at the Galvin Middle School; please remember to keep your neighbors and friends that have been affected by the furlough in your thoughts; donations to the Food Pantry are always appreciated

Councilor DiNocco – would like to put a package together regarding the Parking Committee for the Town Council meeting on January 28, 2019; Trivia Night is January 26, 2019 and the 4th of July Committee is putting on a BBQ at the Elks on January 26, 2019

Councilor Smith-Galvin – is looking forward to working with Rick Stinson on the DPW budget for 2020; the Light Department recently completed a customer survey; hoping to discuss having an Environment Committee at the next Town Council meeting; she attended a meeting along with Councilor Butt and the Chairperson of the Light Department Commissioners regarding different state programs; January 26, 2019 is the Linden Tree folk band event

Councilor Dombroski – Happy New Year; 4th of July Committee is having their indoor BBQ on January 26, 2019 at the Elks; The Scholarship Foundation is having Trivia Night on January 26, 2019 at St. Joseph's Hall; VHB is surveying downtown; if anyone has any experience with dodgeball please reach out to any of the Councilor's

Councilor Santos – recently had some great meetings with the Fire Department to move the department forward; making some adjustments for another RFP's for a hockey rink

Councilor Longo – has been talking to Superintendent Doug Lyons regarding the accreditation of the science department in the current high school and an official statement will be coming out very soon; please help your neighbors will the upcoming snow storm

Town Administrator – MMA is this weekend

Councilor May – State of the Schools is Wednesday at the 7:00 p.m. at the Galvin Middle School; Parking Committee will be discussed at the January 28, 2019 meeting

Adjournment At 8:42 p.m. Councilor Santos motioned to adjourn. Councilor DiNocco seconded. Motion passed 7-0-0.

Respectfully submitted,



Sherri A. Dalton, Executive Assistant