

BOARD OF SELECTMEN – January 28, 2013

The meeting of the Board of Selectmen was posted and held at the WCAT Studios, 24 Hemlock Road, Wakefield, MA, with Selectwoman Betsy Sheeran presiding, Selectman Patrick S. Glynn, Selectman Tiziano Doto and Selectman James E. Good and Selectman Brian E. Falvey 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. Selectman John Encarnacao and Selectman Paul R. DiNocco were absent.

Department Heads in attendance were Kevin Gill, Town Accountant; Kathy Kelley, Tax Collector; Victor Santaniello, Assessor; Mary K. Galvin, Town Clerk; Randy Hudson, Fire Alarm/Traffic Signals; Jack Roberto, Building Inspector; Judy Luciano, Council on Aging.

Chairwoman Sheeran called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Selectman Falvey motioned to accept the Board Minutes of January 14, 2013, seconded by Selectman Glynn and so voted with Selectman Doto abstaining.

Selectman Glynn motioned to appoint Thomas Collins of 66 Cedar Street to the Veteran's Advisory Board with a term expiring December 31, 2016, seconded by Selectman Doto and so voted.

Selectman Glynn motioned to appoint Arthur Wessels, Sr. of 22 Jackson Lane to the Veteran's Advisory Board with a term expiring December 31, 2016, seconded by Selectman Doto and so voted.

Selectman Glynn motioned to appoint William Walsh, Jr. of 20 Greenwood to the Veteran's Advisory Board with a term expiring December 31, 2016, seconded by Selectman Doto and so voted.

Selectman Falvey motioned to ratify the term expirations of the following previous appointed members of the Veteran's Advisory Board with the terms expiring December 31, 2015:

James Smith – 234 Water Street, Unit 203

Richard Pearson – 27 Spruce Street

Thomas J. Lyons – 7 Pine Hill Circle

seconded by Selectman Doto and so voted with Chairwoman Sheeran abstaining.

Town Administrator Stephen P. Maio presented his annual budget forecast for Fiscal Year 2014. He anticipates that Fiscal Year 2014 will be a very positive year for the town and also commented that the town will end Fiscal Year 2013 in fairly good shape with total reserves approaching \$10 million. He also noted that there is \$2,250,000.00 in the Stabilization Fund, \$5 million in Free Cash, \$636,000.00 in the Overlay Account, \$250,000.00 in the Reserve Fund plus \$938,000.00 and \$795,000.00 respectively in the Water and Sewer reserve funds. He further anticipates that the tax levy with the allowed 2 percent increase would bring in \$56,070,989.00. He said that he level funded state aid in the budget at \$8,137,745.00 even though in the Governor's proposed budget Wakefield would receive a bump of \$900,000.00 mostly in Chapter 70 funds. He cautioned however that the increase was contingent upon the Governor's new tax plan being approved. The Town Administrator said that the town needs to come up with about \$72 million of income and that the approximate \$72 million in anticipated expenditures and the nearly equal amount of projected income netted a slight surplus of \$66,000.00. He stressed that it was

still early in the budget process and lots of variables could impact those numbers including the local economy, future contract negotiations, Chapter 70 funds and capital needs.

Selectman Doto motioned to approve the Selectmen Department Budget in the amount of \$367,416.00 as presented by Kevin Gill, seconded by Selectman Falvey and so voted.

Selectman Doto motioned to approve the Accounting Department Budget in the amount of \$324,332.00 as presented by Kevin Gill, seconded by Selectman Good and so voted.

Selectman Glynn motioned to approve the Treasurer Department Budget in the amount of \$168,080.00 as presented by Kevin Gill, seconded by Selectman Good and so voted.

Selectman Doto motioned to approve the Legal Department Budget in the amount of \$163,126.00 as presented by Kevin Gill, seconded by Selectman Glynn and so voted.

Selectman Glynn motioned to approve the Tax Collector Budget in the amount of \$220,470.00 as presented by Kevin Gill, seconded by Selectman Doto and so voted.

Selectman Glynn motioned to approve the Assessors Department Budget in the amount of \$182,074.00 as presented by Kevin Gill, seconded by Selectman Doto and so voted.

Selectman Glynn motioned to approve the Town Clerk Department Budget in the amount of \$180,595.00 as presented by Kevin Gill, seconded by Selectman Doto and so voted.

Selectman Glynn motioned to approve the Election and Registration Budget in the amount of \$36,625.00 as presented by Kevin Gill, seconded by Selectman Doto and so voted.

Selectman Glynn motioned to approve the Election Expense Budget in the amount of \$14,783.00 as presented by Kevin Gill, seconded by Selectman Doto and so voted.

Selectman Doto motioned to approve the Finance Committee Budget in the amount of \$9,860.00 as presented by Kevin Gill, seconded by Selectman Glynn and so voted.

Selectman Doto motioned to approve the Conservation Department Budget in the amount of \$39,834.00 as presented by Kevin Gill, seconded by Selectman Glynn and so voted.

Selectman Glynn motioned to approve the Planning Board Budget in the amount of \$11,175.00 as presented by Kevin Gill, seconded by Selectman Doto and so voted.

Selectman Falvey motioned to approve the Board of Appeals Budget in the amount of \$13,300.00 as presented by Kevin Gill, seconded by Selectman Doto and so voted.

Selectman Glynn motioned to approve the Fire Alarm Budget in the amount of \$525,500.00 as presented by Kevin Gill, seconded by Selectman Doto and so voted with Chairwoman Sheeran abstaining.

Selectman Glynn motioned to approve the Building Department Budget in the amount of \$198,898.00 as presented by Kevin Gill, seconded by Selectman Doto and so voted.

Selectman Doto motioned to approve the Sealer of Weights and Measures Budget in the amount of \$7,071.00 as presented by Kevin Gill, seconded by Selectman Glynn and so voted.

Selectman Glynn motioned to approve the Animal Inspector Budget in the amount of \$66,272.00 as presented by Kevin Gill, seconded by Selectman Doto and so voted.

Selectman Doto motioned to approve the Parking Clerk Department Budget in the amount of \$20,733.00 as presented by Kevin Gill, seconded by Selectman Glynn and so voted.

Selectman Glynn motioned to approve the Council on Aging Budget in the amount of \$199,720.00 as presented by Kevin Gill, seconded by Selectman Doto and so voted.

Selectman Doto motioned to approve the Miscellaneous Selectmen Budget in the amount of \$19,125.00 as presented by Kevin Gill, seconded by Selectman Falvey and so voted.

Selectman Glynn motioned to approve the request from Judy Luciano Director of the Council on Aging to accept and expend a gift or gifts to the Council on Aging in the amount of \$2,388.00 with thanks, seconded by Selectman Doto and so voted

Selectman Glynn motioned to set the date for the Annual Town Meeting on April 29, 2013 at 7:30 p.m. at the Galvin Middle School auditorium, seconded by Selectman Glynn and so voted.

Selectman Glynn motioned to open the Annual Town Meeting Warrant, seconded by Selectman Doto and so voted.

Selectman Doto motioned to set the date to close the Annual Town Meeting Warrant on March 15, 2013, seconded by Selectman Glynn and so voted.

Selectman Glynn motioned to set a joint meeting of the Board of Selectmen and Planning Board for February 11, 2013 to reappoint Associate Member and to appoint a full member to the Planning Board through April 23, 2013, seconded by Selectman Doto and so voted.

Selectman Doto motioned to notify the Town Clerk pursuant to G.L. c. 41 §10 of the need to include an unexpired term on the Planning Board on the April 23, 2013 Town election, seconded by Selectman Glynn and so voted.

Selectman Falvey motioned to deny the request from Daniel Bolton to play a music show on the gazebo any time between April 1, 2013 through June 1, 2013, seconded by Selectman Glynn and so voted.

Selectman Doto motioned to approve the request from Sonja Nathan Director of Special Events for Steps2Cure Neurofibromatosis to use the Lower Common and Gazebo for their run/walk fundraiser on Sunday October 20, 2013 from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., seconded by Selectman Glynn and so voted.

Selectman Glynn motioned to approve the request from James Gerace to conduct the Take the Lake 5K fundraising road race on Sunday June 30, 2013 from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. to start and finish at the Comverse building, seconded by Selectman Doto and so voted.

Selectman Glynn motioned to approve the request from Diane Faro to conduct the Erica's Free Parking fundraising road race on May 4, 2013 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., seconded by Selectman Doto and so voted.

Selectman Glynn motioned to approve the request from Emily Hern to hold the annual Light the Night Walk on Sunday September 29, 2013 from 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., seconded by Selectman Doto and so voted.

Selectman Falvey motioned to approve the request from Nancy Jurczak from St. Joseph's School to hold a fundraiser/walkathon on June 2, 2013 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., seconded by Selectman Glynn and so voted.

Selectman Doto motioned to approve the request from Noel Bailey Chairperson for the 21st Annual CSF Trivia Team Challenge for a One Day Liquor License for the Twenty-First Annual Trivia Team Challenge on Saturday February 23, 2013 from 6:30 p.m. to 12:00 a.m. at the Americal Civic Center and to waive the fee, seconded by Selectman Falvey and so voted.

Selectman Falvey motioned to deny the request from Daniel Bolton for a Peddler License, seconded by Selectman Good and so voted.

Selectman Falvey motioned to approve the request from Sharon Gilley for an Entertainment License to have live music on Main Street plaza every Thursday from June until August except July 4, 2013 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., seconded by Selectman Doto and so voted.

Comments:

Town Administrator Stephen P. Maio – received two requests as follows:

Request from John J. McCarthy, Jr. the Town Treasurer for a bond payment.

Selectman Doto motioned to approve the request from John J. McCarthy, Jr., Town Treasurer to transfer the amount of \$137,417.91 from the Town's capital projects account at The Savings Bank to the Town's general fund so that the following bonds that are due on February 1, 2013 can be paid:

Public Safety Interest	\$109,117.64
Land Acquisition Interest	\$ 12,800.27
Public Safety	\$ 13,875.00
Land Acquisition Interest	\$ 1,625.00
Total -	\$137,417.91

seconded by Selectman Falvey and so voted.

Request from WCNA to sponsor the April vacation carnival.

Selectman Glynn motioned to approve the request from WCNA to sponsor the April vacation carnival during the week of April 13, 2013 to April 20, 2013 at the Galvin Middle School and to use the Galvin

Middle School parking lot, seconded by Selectman Doto and so voted.

Selectman Glynn – Wakefield is 3rd out of 30 for holding real estate values; commend Department Heads for doing more or less and would like to see having an “Employee of the Quarter”.

Chairwoman Sheeran – please remember the Food Pantry; tax bills are due February 1, 2013; STARS (School Threat Assessment and Response System) coming to schools; congratulate Senator Katherine Clark for “Legislator of the Year” award; Senator Katherine Clark, Representative Paul Brodeur and Representative Donald Wong announce legislative action to protect our communities; condolences to retired police officer Jack MacKay for the loss of his grandson.

Board Members signed weekly Warrants.

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

Sherri A. Eskenas, Clerk