BOARD OF SELECTMEN - August 11, 2014

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

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

Selectman DiNocco motioned to accept the Regular Board Minutes of July 21, 2014, seconded by Selectman Doto and so voted.

Selectman Doto motioned to approve the appointments of Election Officers as presented for 2014-2015, seconded by Selectman DiNocco and so voted.

Dorothy Halpin was before the Board to give a brief update on Rail to Trail. The Rail to Trail Project will create a bicycle and pedestrian path within an abandoned railway line that extends approximately 4.4 miles near the intersection of Main Street and Nahant Street in Wakefield to the border between Lynnfield and Peabody. The abandoned railway line is expected to be leased to Wakefield and Lynnfield from the MBTA for a 99 year lease. Ms. Halpin said that an engineering and design consulting firm has been chosen and has been doing wetland flagging, soil stability studies and traffic counts and sightline studies at street crossings. Town Administrator Stephen P. Maio said that state funding was ongoing and once the design reaches a certain point there will be a public meeting in Wakefield and Lynnfield. The project will be taken to MassHighway to be put on a funding list and that the final project will have to go before Town Meeting in both towns. Town Administrator Maio is hoping that all funding to build the trail would come from the state.

At 7:40 p.m. Selectman DiNocco motioned to enter into the Public Hearing for the petition for pole locations, seconded by Selectman Doto and so voted.

Roll Call:

Selectwoman Hull – yes Selectman DiNocco – yes Selectman Doto – yes Selectwoman Santos – yes Chairman Falvey – yes

Assistant Manager Eugene Sullivan of the Wakefield Municipal Gas and Light Department was before the Board to present nine utility pole petitions.

Selectman Doto motioned to approve a pole on Lowell Street, near the intersection with Main Street, approximately 35' (thirty-five feet) Southeasterly of Pole #37, place 1 (one) pole, to be numbered Pole 36 ½, seconded by Selectman DiNocco and so voted.

Selectman DiNocco motioned to approve a pole on Lowell Street, near the intersection with Main Street, approximately 37' (thirty-seven feet) Northwesterly of Pole #37, place 1 (one) pole, to be numbered Pole 37 ½, seconded by Selectman Doto and so voted.

Selectman DiNocco motioned to approve a pole on North Ave., On the grass area near Wakefield Auto Clinic, approximately 120' (one hundred twenty feet) Northwesterly of the new Pole #6, place 1 (one) pole, to be numbered Pole #7, seconded by Selectman Doto and so voted.

Selectman DiNocco motioned to approve a pole on North Ave., Behind the curb, on the sidewalk near Woodmaster Tree Service, approximately 110' (one hundred ten feet) Northerly of the proposed Pole #7, place 1 (one) pole, to be numbered Pole #8, seconded by Selectman Doto and so voted.

Selectman DiNocco motioned to approve a pole on North Ave., Behind the curb, on the sidewalk near Designer Lawn Sprinkler Service, approximately 130' (one hundred thirty feet) Northerly of the proposed Pole #8, place 1 (one) pole, to be numbered Pole #9, seconded by Selectman Doto and so voted.

Selectman DiNocco motioned to approve a pole on North Ave., Behind the curb, on the sidewalk, approximately 130' (one hundred thirty feet) Northerly of the proposed Pole #9, place 1 (one) pole, to be numbered Pole #10, seconded by Selectman Doto and so voted.

Selectman DiNocco motioned to approve a pole on North Ave., Behind the curb, on the sidewalk, approximately 125' (one hundred twenty-five feet) Northerly of the proposed Pole #10, place 1 (one) pole, to be numbered Pole #11, seconded by Selectman Doto and so voted.

Selectman DiNocco motioned to approve a pole on North Ave., Behind the curb, on the sidewalk, approximately 130' (one hundred thirty feet) Northerly of the proposed Pole #11, place 1 (one) pole, to be numbered Pole #12, seconded by Selectman Doto and so voted.

Selectman DiNocco motioned to approve a pole on North Ave., Behind the curb, on the sidewalk near the beginning of the train station parking spots, approximately 120' (one hundred twenty feet) Northerly of the proposed Pole #12, place 1 (one) pole, to be numbered Pole #13 seconded by Selectman Doto and so voted.

No one from the public spoke in favor or against the petitions for pole locations.

At 7:58 p.m. Selectwoman Santos motioned to close the Public Hearing, seconded by Selectman DiNocco and so voted.

Roll Call:

Selectwoman Hull – yes Selectman DiNocco – yes Selectman Doto – yes Selectwoman Santos – yes Chairman Falvey – yes

Selectman DiNocco motioned to approve the request from Chief Michael J. Sullivan to accept and expend a gift or gifts to the Wakefield Fire Department in the amount of \$1,000.00 from the Wakefield Rotary Club with thanks, seconded by Selectman Doto and so voted.

Selectman DiNocco motioned to approve the request from Sharon Gilley, Director of the Lucius Beebe Memorial Library to accept and expend a gift or gifts in the amount of \$5,416.00 from various donors with thanks, seconded by Selectman Doto and so voted.

Selectwoman Hull motioned to approve the request from the West Side Social Club 4th of July Committee to use the lower common for fireworks display on August 23, 2014, seconded by Selectman DiNocco and so voted.

Selectman DiNocco motioned to accept the Grant of Easement for Drainage Purposes for 50 Oak Street, seconded by Selectman Doto and so voted.

Selectman Doto motioned to approve the request from the Traffic Advisory Committee to make Armory Street a "one-way" street (eastbound) from North Avenue to Main Street, Vehicle traffic for the Galvin will be able to access the front drop-off area of the Galvin via the driveway between Armory Street and the school. Vehicles entering the Galvin from Armory will have to follow the flow of vehicles and exit out onto North Avenue. Parking on the south side of Armory Street shall be posted as resident parking only, seconded by Selectman DiNocco and so voted.

Selectman DiNocco motioned to approve the request from the Traffic Advisory Committee for the east side of Farm Street be posted "No Parking 7am to 8:30am Mon-Fri". This restriction would start from where parking is currently allowed near the intersection with Water Street southbound to Hemlock Road. The current restriction of "No Parking" in front of the Woodville School would remain. Parking restrictions on the north side of Farm Street would also remain the same, seconded by Selectman Doto and so voted.

Comments:

Selectman DiNocco – Congratulated everyone that participated in the ALS Ice Bucket Challenge; Festival Italia is August 23, 2014.

Selectwoman Santos – Wakefield was cited as the third hottest real estate market in Massachusetts.

Chairman Falvey – Congratulations to the Permanent Building Committee regarding their work on the Galvin Middle School to move the process along and to keep the project on budget and on track as of date; would like to institute a Citizen of the Year award to recognize all the hard working volunteers; thank you to Steve Maio for his time and spending his own money on all the social and fundraising events.

Selectwoman Hull – Thank you to Steve Maio for always keeping his door open to help anyone out.

Board Members weekly Warrants; Easement for Drainage Purposes

Selectman DiNocco motioned to adjourn at 8:46 p.m., seconded by Selectwoman Hull and so voted.

Sherri A.	Dalton,	Clerk	