

BOARD OF SELECTMEN – September 15, 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, Selectman Tiziano Doto, Selectman Paul R. DiNocco, Selectman Patrick S. Glynn 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. Selectwoman Betsy Sheeran was absent. Selectwoman Ann McGonigle Santos arrived at 7:26 p.m.

Chairman Falvey called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and stated that there is a need for executive session to discuss the potential contracts because an open meeting may have detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the Town with the intent to go back into open session.

Selectman Doto motioned to go into Executive Session, seconded by Selectman DiNocco and so voted.

Roll Call:

Selectwoman Hull – yes

Selectman DiNocco – yes

Selectman Glynn – yes

Selectman Doto – yes

Chairman Falvey - yes

The Board returned to open session 7:20 p.m.

Selectman Doto motioned to accept the Regular Board Minutes of August 11, 2014, seconded by Selectman DiNocco and so voted.

Town Administrator Stephen P. Maio introduced Marianne Cohen to the Board as the new Director of the Chamber of Commerce.

Town Administrator Stephen P. Maio introduced Dan McGrath to the Board as the new Recreation Director.

Town Administrator Stephen P. Maio introduced Bob Sardella to the Board as the new Signage Officer.

Selectman Doto motioned to schedule a Public Hearing for Jeffrey's Liquors for a Package Store License for September 29, 2014 at 7:35 p.m., seconded by Selectwoman Santos and so voted.

Selectman DiNocco motioned to schedule a Public Hearing for Massimo's Ristorante for an All Alcohol Liquor License for September 29, 2014 at 7:45 p.m., seconded by Selectman Glynn and so voted.

Town Counsel Thomas Mullen spoke to the Board regarding the proposed special legislation for Wakefield land swap. He explained the proposal is that in return for a conveyance by developer Elias Anjim who owns the 1.53 parcel in question to the Town of Lots W223A+ and 24A (a combination containing 4.183 acres), the Town would convey to him Lot 84A, consisting of 1.31 acres which was also acquired for nonpayment of taxes. All three lots are vacant. The result of the transaction would be to locate a new home in a place acceptable to neighborhood residents instead of one that is unacceptable, and to give the Town extensive, contiguous new land for conservation purposes. He further explained that he would need to prepare an article at town meeting for such if the Board of Selectman voted this.

Selectwoman Hull motioned to authorize Thomas Mullen to prepare the article for Town Meeting, seconded by Selectman DiNocco and so voted.

Charles Tarbell chairman of the School Facilities Task Force subcommittee was before the Board with the School Facilities Report. He explained that over the last nine months the committee has looked at how the town's school buildings are maintained and recommended changes in the way that maintenance is currently handled. The report

outlines specific problems at various school buildings, from heating and ventilation at the Dolbeare School to not having enough science classrooms at the High School. Town Administrator Stephen P. Maio said he would take the next step and that he and Superintendent Stephen Zrike would put together a committee to come back with a comprehensive report. He said he would like the committee to include citizens and to be co-chaired by the DPW Business/Operations Manager Carol Antonelli and the School Business Administrator Michael Pfifferling.

Selectman Glynn motioned for the Town Administrator to create a committee, seconded by Selectman DiNocco and so voted.

Selectman Doto motioned to accept the request from Sharon Gilley Director of the Lucius Beebe Memorial Library to accept and expend a gift or gifts in the amount of \$2,267.77 from various donors with thanks, seconded by Selectman DiNocco and so voted.

Selectman Doto motioned to accept the request from Sharon Gilley Director of the Lucius Beebe Memorial Library to accept and expend a gift or gifts in the amount of \$6,224.00 from various donors with thanks, seconded by Selectman DiNocco and so voted.

Selectman Doto motioned to schedule the date of November 17, 2014 for the November Regular Town Meeting at the Galvin Middle School and open the Warrant, seconded by Selectman DiNocco and so voted.

Selectman Doto motioned to schedule the date of October 10, 2014 to close the Warrant for the November Regular Town Meeting, seconded by Selectman Glynn and so voted.

Selectman Doto motioned to approve the request from Phu-Ket Thai Restaurant for an Entertainment License, seconded by Selectwoman Santos and so voted.

Selectman DiNocco motioned to approve the request from Meletharb Ice Cream for a Common Victualler License, seconded by Selectman Doto and so voted.

Selectman DiNocco motioned to schedule a hearing on September 29, 2014 at 8:00 p.m. for the possible revocation of the Class II License for TBI Auto Sales, seconded by Selectwoman Santos and so voted.

Selectman Doto motioned to approve the request from John Koehler, Treasurer of St. Florence Holy Name Society for a One Day Liquor License for their Italian Dinner Dance on Saturday, October 18, 2014 from 6:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. at the church hall and to waive the fee, seconded by Selectman Glynn and so voted.

Correspondence:

Letter from Massachusetts Department of Transportation regarding I-93/I-95 Interchange Improvements.

Comments:

Town Administrator – Invitation from the Early Childhood Center for September 29, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. regarding the grand opening if any of the Board members are interested in attending to let him know; Paul Reavis will be presenting the Housing Production Plan at the next selectmen's meeting on September 29, 2014; will be attending the Massachusetts Municipal Association breakfast on October 3, 2014 at the Salisbury Town Hall, Board members are welcome to attend; Massachusetts Municipal Association Convention is January 23 – 24, 2015 if any Board members would like to attend; looking at a collaborative effort with the Vocation School for a hockey rink off of Hemlock Road

Selectwoman Hull – Is concerned with the rates that the Wakefield Municipal Gas and Light Department are charging; former ski shop downtown is still a mess, Town Administrator Stephen Maio will have Bob Sardella follow-up; there is no

parking on Lowell Street and Woodcrest Street but yet cars are parked on both sides; would like to see the new flags and poles further down on Main Street and North Avenue

Selectman DiNocco – Banners and poles will continue to be installed up until December; thank you to everyone who helped with the Italian Festival

Selectman Glynn – would like to see a lottery for the summer help positions so that the same kids are not getting the jobs; the Civil War Memorial is in rough shape

Selectman Doto – congratulations to the public and the school students for reading books over the summer

Board Members weekly Warrants; Entertainment License, Common Victualler License, One Day Liquor License

Selectman Glynn motioned to adjourn at 9:21 p.m., seconded by Selectwoman Hull and so voted.

Sherri A. Dalton, Clerk