

Board of Selectmen – May 10, 2010

Present: Searle, Babson, Dugan, Tsagaris, Gibbs

Also present: Larsen, Ketchen, Robinson

Call to order: Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm in the Felix Juliani Room at Town Hall.

Warrants approved: None.

Citizen speak: None.

Minutes approved: May 3, 2010

Business:

**1. Executive Directors Update**

- The Board voted to approve the 2010 Spring submission of Babson College for four (4) One Day Special Licenses for the dates and events described in the May 7, 2010 memorandum from Executive Director Hans Larsen.
- The Board voted to approve the Request for Seasonal Outdoor Seating submitted by The Upper Crust Pizzeria at 99 Central Street for the area described in the May 7, 2010 memorandum from Sandy Hobson.
- The Board voted to approve a resolution in support of updating the Massachusetts Bottle Bill.
- The Board voted to revoke the action taken last Monday relative to the proposed referendum of June 8<sup>th</sup>, which is hereby cancelled because the Town has been notified by the property owners that there will be no agreement for purchase and sale of the property for the sum of \$1,000,000.

**2. National Grid Petition – Install & Maintain Gas Line Priscilla Circle/Standish Road**

Ms. Searle opened the public hearing. Dennis Reagan from National Grid explained the request. Ms. Searle invited public input. Liying Wu, 11 Priscilla Circle, noted there are other residents in the area that desire gas service.

The Board voted to approve the Petition of National Grid to install and maintain approximately 140 feet of 2 inch gas main in the Priscilla Circle area by connecting to the existing 4 inch gas main at Standish Road in accordance with the plans submitted to the Board on March 23, 2010.

The Board also advised Mr. Reagan that the Town would not consider further such requests from National Grid until disputes between the Wellesley Municipal Light Plant and National Grid regarding damage to the MLP's lines caused by National Grid are resolved.

Ms. Searle closed the hearing.

**3. Land Issue – 27R Kenilworth Road**

Ms. Babson recused herself on this matter.

Mr. Larsen invited the Board's input on a proposal to gift this parcel of land to the Town. The Board asked the staff to further investigate the title and potential wetlands issues.

**4. Planning Board/Recreation Commission – St. James Update**

Don McCauley and Michael Zehner representing the Planning Board, reported on the results of the Concord Square study of development alternatives for the St. James property on Route 9. Andy Wrobel representing the Recreation Commission presented a proposal developed in collaboration with the Playing Fields Task Force to develop the site for municipal recreation purposes, which would encompass a playing field(s), skating rink and swimming pool.

The Board discussed potential next steps with Messrs. McCauley, Zehner and Wrobel.

**5. Resignation of Firefighter**

The Board voted to accept the resignation of firefighter Richard L. Potter II effective May 2, 2010.

**Old Business/New Business:**

*Wellesley High School* – Ms. Babson noted the planned presentation by the PBC to the Selectmen scheduled for May 24<sup>th</sup>.

*27 Washington Street* – Mr. Larsen noted the meeting held to resolve specifics associated the National Development's planned work in the Town right-of-way.

*Senior Center* – Ms. Tsagaris noted the intention to proceed with the planning for the new Senior Center. Ms. Searle reported on the result of her conversations with representatives of the Community Center.

*DCR Bridge* – None.

*Advisory Committee* – None.

*Fuller Brook Path* – Ms. Babson noted the issuance of an RFP for a consultant to advise the Town on Phase 1 of this project.

*Wellesley Middle School* – Ms. Tsagaris updated the Board on the ongoing Feasibility Study work.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:24 p.m.