

**Board of Selectmen Meeting: March 03, 2014**

**Present: Tsagaris, Searle, Gibbs, McCauley, Murphy**

**Also Present: Larsen, Jop, Connolly, Robinson, Tom Harrington**

**Announcements:** Ms. Tsagaris announced that there is a town election tomorrow and reviewed the questions that will be on the ballot. She noted that Mr. McCauley was unable to attend the meeting as he was stuck in Houston at an airport due to weather issues. Ms. Tsagaris noted that tonight is Ms. Babson's final meeting on the Board. Ms. Tsagaris made brief remarks regarding Ms. Babson's time on the Board and thanked her for her service.

**2. Citizen Speak**

Susan Littlefield approached the Board. Ms. Littlefield gave remarks regarding Ms. Babson's time in town and her work on the High School Project. She thanked Ms. Babson for their experience together on behalf of students now and in the future.

K.C. Kato, Precinct D, School Committee Chair, approached the Board. Ms. Kato expressed her thanks for Ms. Babson's work on the High School on behalf of the School Committee. Remarked on her time working with Ms. Babson and thanked her for her leadership.

Matt King, PBC Chair approached the Board. Mr. King thanked Ms. Babson for all her work and efforts with the Permanent Building Committee.

Marjorie Freiman, Advisory Chair approached the Board. Ms. Freiman made remarks on Ms. Babson's work and noted how gracious and generous she has been with her time and wished her the best.

Vin Juliani approached the Board. Mr. Juliani paid his respects and expressed appreciation for a job well done by Ms. Babson. He noted that Wellesley has been blessed with people like Ms. Babson who have come to make this town better. He also thanked Attorney Robinson for his service to the Town.

**Joint Meeting with School Committee**

Members of the School Committee and Advisory committee joined the Board. K.C. Kato called the March 3, 2014 School Committee Joint Meeting to Order at 7:28pm. This joint meeting was convened to discuss the proposed override. Ms. Tsagaris reviewed the current issue with the override and as well as concerns of whether an override will get the Town through two years. There is a current proposal on the table for a 5 million dollar override to get the town through FY16. Ms. Freiman reviewed the discussion from Advisory's Saturday meeting. In a straw vote Advisory had no support for a 5 million dollar override as they do not feel this will get the town through two years. Ms. Searle noted that she continues to believe that planning for a two year override is a better idea as it allows better planning however she is concerned with timing of the 5 million as they have not been given the community the time to observe and research this number, therefore for this year does not feel this would be wise. Ms. Babson noted that it is not easy to project two years ahead as they receive school budget late in the year and in future will need to work with School to make it work. Ms. Gibbs noted that her concern is how they would communicate with voters what the two years will get them. Ms. Searle noted that one of Mr. McCauley's concerns is that we are asking for enhancements when structural problems exist. Ms. Tsagaris reviewed issues that need to be investigated to start to repair this problem. Ms. Kato agreed that to make a major shift in the override amount and noted that they support the 3.5 million override. Mr. Larsen noted that he has been familiar with the structural deficit for years, he

noted that certain costs could be removed without reducing the scope of services. Noted we have not felt compelled to live within the lines of cost growth. Mr. Engels echoed the comments of Mr. Larsen and noted what will be different next year. Ms. Freiman reviewed the idea of a Strategic Planning Team came up at their previous meeting. The School Committee agreed that they felt the 3.5 million dollar number was an easier number to communicate to voters. Mr. Lussier noted that the tone of the Board that the School Committee is unwilling to work with the Town of the development of Town Wide Financial Plan. He noted that the ability to recruit best talent in market place is cost drivers of their budget. Ms. Babson noted that transparency of administration has been phenomenal. Ms. Tsagaris urged School Committee to take hard look at numbers for the future.

**The joint meeting dissolved at 8:26pm**

### **Legislative Update with Representative Alice Peisch**

Alice Peisch, Representative joined the Board .school committee joined. Ms. Peisch expressed her gratitude for all Ms. Babson done for the Town. Ms. Peisch quickly reviewed legislative activity going on in the State. She noted that the governor has increased Chapter 70, updated on the status of the budget and noted that she expects the circuit breaker to be fully funded at 75%. She reviewed the transportation bill as well as changes to the commuter rail schedule. She noted the recent success with the home rule petition and reviewed a new bill in the state with regards to the national fingerprint database. She answered questions regard the issues facing the town with regards to the Medical Marijuana applications and the possibility of a CORI law which would expand fingerprint law. Ms. Tsagaris thanked Ms. Peisch for her work on the beer & wine legislations.

**At 8:50pm, Ms. Kato adjourned the School Committee meeting to go into executive session for purposes of discussing collective bargaining.**

### **All Alcohol License, Bocado Restaurant, 45 Church Street**

Michael Covino, Principal, Michael Derhocshiers, Robert Michaud, MDM Traffic consult, Kien Ho, Town traffic consultant and David Himmelberger, counsel for the applicant joined the Board. Mr. Himmelberger displayed plans for the new Bocado restaurant located at 45 Church Street and reviewed plans to expand the sidewalk area. He noted that his clients are seeking a CV license, All-Alcohol license as well as an Entertainment License. The layout was reviewed as well as various views of the proposed Bocado Restaurant. They are currently working on soft construction now and hope to open late summer. Mr. Covino reviewed the restaurant concept, menu, and entertainment as well as the layout of the interior of the restaurant. The applicant's traffic consultant, MDM Transportation, reviewed a parking study of the area as well as the proposed traffic impact of this restaurant within the area. Mr. Ho reviewed the traffic study submitted by MDM Transportation Consultant, reviewed a few concerns and noted that their parking study was very thorough and he found no significant impact to the key intersection. Mr. Larsen asked the Bocado representatives of Bocado to commit to a time for trash pickup. It was decided that trash pickup would take place M-F 6-8am.

**Upon a motion made by Ms. Gibbs and seconded by Ms. Searle the Board voted (4-0) to grant a Common Victualler/All Alcoholic Beverage License to Bocado, Inc, d/b/a Bocado, located at 45 Church Street, in accordance with their application dated, February 10, 2014, inclusive of 30 outdoor seats as shown on drawings Contingent upon restaurant owner requiring employees to park in the Tailby Parking Lot and to provide website info on available parking**

**lots in areas and that trash pickup will be m-s 6-8am excluding Sundays and further to name Michael DesRosiers as Manager of Record.**

#### Entertainment License

**Upon a motion made by Ms. Gibbs and seconded by Ms. Searle the Board voted (4-0) to approve an Entertainment License (Thursday – Saturday) for Bocado located at 45 Church Street, between the hours of 6pm-10pm. The entertainment will be a Flamenco/Salsa dancing demonstration.**

#### Sustainable Energy Committee (SEC) Update

Katy Gibson, SEC Member joined the Board. Ms. Gibson asked the Board to endorse the SEC's endorse a revised goal of 25% for 2020.

**The Board moved to endorse the revised goal of 25% by 2020.**

#### Executive Director's Update

#### Minutes

**Upon a motion made by Ms. Gibbs and seconded by Ms. Searle the Board voted (4-0) to approve the minutes of the January 27, 2014, January 28, 2014, and February 10, 2014 Board of Selectmen's Meetings.**

#### 2014 Annual Town Meeting

#### Town Wide Financial Plan

Larsen – get it in a shape for this weeks Friday Night Mail that the board is content to vote that come Monday night will be looking at a new draft and vote it that any changes will be made b4 going to adv. Will reflect 3.5 million dollar override. Gig what doing about gap list from other dept. convert into score card rest of town will make up other 600,000.

#### Five Year Capital Budget Program

Ms. Tsagaris noted that the Board received new draft, of the Five Year Capital Budget Program which was modified to include a 10 year facility plan? Ms. Babson noted that she would like the Fuller Brook portion to have the endorsement of the Board. Ms. Tsagaris noted that the five year capital would be voted on Monday.

#### Registered Marijuana Dispensaries

Ms. Jop noted that the Planning Director made minor to the zoning amendment language and formatting. Ms. Jop reviewed key changes to the amendment and noted that the Planning Board is taking this up again on March 10.

**Upon a motion made by Ms. Gibbs and seconded by Ms. Searle the Board voted (4-0) to approve the draft Zoning Bylaw language for Registered Marijuana Dispensaries dated February 28, 2014, contingent upon further comments from planning board.**

### Retail Sale of Beer & Wine

Ms. Tsagaris & Ms. Jop noted a few changes to the regulations. Ms. Tsagaris noted that these regulations will be discussed in a public forum next Monday assuming it passes tomorrow.

### Motions

Ms. Tsagaris noted that there were no additional motions.

Ms. Babson made remarks regarding her time on the Board thanked the Board, Office Staff and Town Department and Committees for all their good work.

### Projects & Other Updates

**Fuller Brook Park** – Ms. Babson noted that Advisory met and discussed this matter in detail and voted 12-0 in favor of supporting this project.

### Old Business/New Business

Ms. Babson reminded the Board of the upcoming training sessions on July 1 offered by the new Town Counsel.

**The Board of Selectmen meeting was adjourned at 10:49pm.**

### Documents Presented

- Bocado Restaurant Development
- Sustainable Energy Committee Revised Goal