

**Board of Selectmen Meeting: May 05, 2014**

**Present: Searle, Gibbs, McCauley**

**Absent: Tsagaris, Murphy**

**Also Present: Larsen, Jop, Connolly**

**Minutes Approved: May 12, 2014**

**Warrants Signed:** #2014-041 in the amount of \$5,940,803.29, 2014-042 in the amount of \$1,098,661.02, and #2014-043 in the amount of 6,185246.01.

Announcements: Ms. Searle noted the weekend of May 17 & 18th will be Wellesley's Wonderful Weekend and reviewed the events taking place that weekend. She also noted that the Wellesley Merchants Association will be hosting July Jubilation on July 19th.

**1. Citizen Speak**

None

**2. Executive Director's Report**

Minutes

**Upon a motion made by Ms. Gibbs and seconded by Mr. McCauley, the Board voted (3-0) to approve the minutes of the April 28, 2014 Board of Selectmen's Meeting.**

Gifts

**Upon a motion made by Ms. Gibbs and seconded by Mr. McCauley, the Board voted (3-0) to approve the gift of two Kayaks to the Recreation Department from the McCauley family.**

Cottage Restaurant extension of hours for Mother's Day

**Upon a motion made by Ms. Gibbs and seconded by Mr. McCauley, the Board voted (3-0) to approve the request from The Cottage located at 190 Linden Street to serve alcohol beginning at 10am, on May 11, 2014.**

**3. Joint Meeting with Recreation Commission to appoint Commissioner vacancy**

Mr. Steve Burt, Mr. Jim Conlin, and Mr. Andy Wrobel (Chair) of the Recreation Commission joined the Board along with Mathew McKay (Candidate). Mr. Wrobel called a meeting of the Recreation Commission to order at 7:30pm. Ms. Searle was elected as Chair, and Jim Conlin was elected as Secretary. Mr. Wrobel noted that the Recreation Commission lost Tom Harrington when he was appointed as Town Counsel for the Town and needed to fill a vacant seat. Mr. Wrobel recommended Mathew McKay for the open position on the Recreation Commission. Mr. McKay briefly reviewed his background. The Board welcomed Mr. McKay.

**Upon a motion made by Ms. Gibbs and seconded by Mr. McCauley, the Board voted (3-0) to appoint Matt McKay to the Recreation Commission for a term to expire at the date of the next Town election.**

Ms. Searle dissolved the joint meeting.

#### **4. Retail Sale of Beer and Wine License – Fells Market, 326 Weston Road**

Peter Katsikaris, proprietor, Paul Katsikaris, proprietor, and David Himmelberger, counsel for the applicant joined the Board. Ms. Searle opened the Public Hearing. Mr. Himmelberger reviewed Mr. Katsikaris's role in the authorization of the retail sale of wines and malt beverages in Wellesley. Mr. Himmelberger noted the application for Fells Market retail sale of beer & wine was submitted in April and that it is in order. He noted Peter Katsikaris will be name as manager and Paul Katsikaris will be named as assistant manager. He asked the Board to approve the application. Ms. Jop reviewed certifications and sign-offs from Town departments that are necessary prior to issuance of the license. Ms. Searle invited public comment on the application.

**Michael O'Connell**, 18 Radcliffe Road, approached the Board. Mr. Connell questioned the Board's policy on transportation and delivery of alcohol and asked whether food needed to be combined with alcohol purchase for a delivery. Mr. McCauley responded that sales of alcohol do not need to be combined with food but that the applicant must comply with the ABCC.

Mr. Himmelberger discussed the Fells Market transportation application and compliance with the Town's regulations as to deliveries.

**Upon a motion made by Ms. Gibbs and approved by Mr. McCauley, the Board voted (3-0) to grant a retail sale of wines and malt beverage license, not to be consumed on the premises, to Fells Market, located at 326 Weston Road, based on an application dated March 17, 2014, and to name Peter Katsikaris & Paul Katsikaris as managers of record, and further to grant a delivery license for one vehicle.**

#### **5. Wellesley College – North 40 update**

Ms. Searle reviewed Wellesley's Colleges notification of their intent to sell several parcels of land one of which is known as the North 40 located off of Weston Road and Turner Road. Ms. Searle noted the Board met last week with representatives from the Planning Board and the School Committee in Executive Session to inform them of the sales. The Board asked the representatives to go to back to their boards to receive input. The School Committee is very interested and the Planning has not submitted input at this time. Ms. Searle noted that it is the Board's intention to develop a committee comprised of representatives from the key Town boards as well as the neighborhood. Ms. Searle noted the Board will begin to review the possibilities for the site. She noted if the Town decides to purchase the land, there will be many opportunities for citizen input. Ms. Searle noted the land is currently zoned for single family residences and allows for educational, religious, or municipal uses. Ms. Searle reviewed the Natural Resource Protection Bylaw. She noted Wellesley College has filed their petition with the Supreme Judicial Court to release the indenture on the property in order to sell these parcels. The Board is waiting to hear the final ruling. Ms. Searle invited public comment.

**Jack Davis**, 36 Marshall Road, approached the Board. Mr. Davis stated the neighbors would like to be involved in the process. He questioned whether the cross town trail would be in jeopardy of any development? Ms. Searle noted that it is Town property so it would not.

**Steve Grossman**, 37 Turner Road, approached the Board. Mr. Grossman questioned why the Natural Resource Commission was not involved in the executive session held with the Board. He expressed his desire to have open space to be preserved. Ms. Searle noted that they will have a committee that involves multiple boards and resident input.

**Meryl Glassman**, 217 Weston Road, approached the Board. Ms. Glassman expressed on behalf of herself and the neighbors the concern with the traffic implications for any developments on the

property. She asked that the Town take a serious look at traffic concerns. She thanked the Board for having neighborhood representation on the committee and questioned whether the Town would have the right of first refusal on the sale of the land. Mr. Larsen stated the Town does not have that right, but the expectation is the Town will get fair consideration in the process.

**James Tartari**, 6 Simpson Road, approached the Board. Mr. Tartari stated his concern over the dump that was located on the site 50-60 years ago and questioned who was responsible for removing the waste or for cleaning up the environmental impacts of the waste Mr. Larsen responded that if the Town were to attempt to acquire the property an environmental assessment (21E) would be conducted to determine the risk factors involved. Mr. McCauley noted review of the parcel is in the very early stages of the process and environmental risks will need to be assessed. Mr. McCauley stated it was too early for the Board to comment on anything further.

### **Projects & Other Updates**

Regional Matters/Transportation – Ms. Gibbs noted the Bike Safety Committee met last week, and has almost completed the research phase of their work. She reviewed some of the work done.

Sustainability – Ms. Gibbs noted that the Sustainable Energy Committee met last week and heard from Allan Hebert who provided an update on the HVAC maintenance project at the elementary and middle schools. She noted that the More Power to Choose program has seen 7 new solar contracts and has had over 200 prospects that are being evaluated over the next few weeks.

School Facilities Task Force – Ms. Searle noted the Task Force met last week and reviewed another round of options for Hardy, Hunnewell, and Upham. The new information regarding the North 40 was discussed, and the architects were tasked to investigate the site as another option. Ms. Searle noted that the Massachusetts School Building Authority came to review the window project at the Middle School. It's anticipated the Town will hear by June 4<sup>th</sup> as to the Town's eligibility for funding.

Town-Wide Facilities - Ms. Searle noted the Permanent Building Committee met on Thursday night and that all contracts have been signed. The PBC will meet on Monday with the Owner's Project Manager for the first preconstruction meeting. A meeting will be scheduled with neighborhoods to discuss what's involved with project and timing.

Mr. Larsen noted when the budget for FY15 was developed, funds were appropriated for costs related to injured on duty claims. He noted he has asked the insurance carrier Chub to consider expanding coverage to two million dollars. He is awaiting a response. Mr. Larsen noted claims experiences in recent months have been favorable.

### **Old Business/New Business**

Mr. McCauley distributed and reviewed a schedule for the Sidewalk Capital Plan as of 5/1/14.

**Ms. Searle polled the Board all aye to go into executive session for purposes of discussing the property referred to as the North 40 at 8:30 pm.**

**The Board adjourned the meeting at 9:00 pm**