

Minutes Approved:

Board of Selectmen Meeting: January 13, 2015

Present: Searle, Gibbs, Tsagaris, McCauley, Murphy

Also Present: Larsen, Jop

Announcements: Ms. Searle noted a North 40 informational meeting will be held at Town Hall this Thursday, January 15th. She also updated the Board stating 84 homes in Wellesley have participated in the More Power to Chose campaign and are producing half a megawatt of energy.

1. Citizen speak

None

2. Executive Director's Update

Minutes

Upon a motion made by Ms. Tsagaris and seconded by Ms. Gibbs, the Board voted (5-0) to approve the minutes of the December 22, 2014 Board of Selectmen Meeting.

Gifts

Upon a motion made by Ms. Tsagaris and seconded by Ms. Gibbs, the Board voted (5-0) to accept a gift from the Estate of Denise Bacon to the Wellesley Fire Department in the amount of \$1500 to fund the annual Senior Dinner.

Upon a motion made by Ms. Tsagaris and seconded by Ms. Gibbs, the Board voted (5-0) to accept a grant in the amount of \$1700 from the Fund for Wellesley Al Robinson Fund for the Arts of the Foundation for Metrowest to the Wellesley Youth Commission to fund Project Moves.

MMA Resolutions

Mr. Larsen briefly reviewed the 3 resolutions to be supported by the MMA.

Upon a motion made by Ms. Tsagaris and seconded by Ms. Gibbs, the Board voted (5-0) to support the three proposed resolutions to be considered at the MMA Annual Business Meeting on January 24, 2015.

Babson One-Day License

Ms. Jop reviewed upcoming Babson one day special licenses.

Upon a motion made by Ms. Tsagaris and seconded by Ms. Gibbs the Board voted (5-0) to approve the request from Babson College for a One-Day Special License for the Theater in the Rough-Staged Reading in the Carling Sorenson Theater on February 6, 2015 and for the Doug Elkins Dance & Music Event in the Carling-Sorenson Theater on February 28, 2015.

Mr. Larsen briefly noted that the Town's Chapter 90 allotment was previously in the range of \$800k it is now in the range of \$1.2 million. He noted that he will talk with the Department of Public Works to see if they can reduce their cash capital for FY16.

3. Police Patrolman

Police Chief Cunningham, Deputy Chief Jack Pilecki and Police Officer Candidate Mark Knapp joined the Board. Chief Cunningham reviewed the background of Mr. Mark Knapp who he is recommending for the appointment of Police Officer. He expressed that Mr. Knapp would be a great addition to the Wellesley police Department. Mr. Knapp introduced his family to the Board.

Upon a motion made by Ms. Tsagaris and seconded by Ms. Gibbs the Board voted (5-0) to appoint Mark A. Knapp Jr. to the Wellesley Police Department as a Police Officer contingent upon the successful completion of the Police Academy as well as the successful completion of a one-year probationary period after the successful completion of the academy.

4. Update on Tolles-Parsons Senior Center

Ms. Tsagaris noted on January 8, 2015, the Board of Selectmen appealed the decision of the Planning Board in determining the revised Tolles Parsons Senior Center PSI did not have substantial and material changes in a complaint filed with Land Court. She briefly reviewed the details of the complaint. The Town is requesting the court annul the Planning Board's decision, and order the matter to be remanded to the Planning Board on the merits and to open a new PSI application.

5. Special Town Meeting Preparation (STM) – North 40

Mr. McCauley briefly reviewed the current status of the STM preparation for the North 40. He noted that Advisory considered the article last week and the Board held a public informational session this weekend. The Board is currently finalizing motion language for Special Town Meeting. He also noted that the Board updated Advisory as funding was critical for Advisory moving forward. He noted the Board will go before the Community Preservation Committee (CPC) tomorrow to discuss the matter. Ms. Jop briefly reviewed the CPC application regarding the North 40 funding.

Upon a motion made by Ms. Tsagaris and seconded by Ms. Gibbs, the Board voted (5-0) to approve the application for CPC funding for the North 40 dated January 13, 2015.

Mr. Larsen distributed a draft of the North 40 motion language for Special Town Meeting. He noted that this is a single motion to approve the acquisition and appropriate necessary funds. The Board will aim to do a mailing to Town Meeting Members once Town Counsel has approved the language of the motion.

6. Old/New Business

Mr. Larsen distributed a list of warrant articles for Annual Town Meeting and noted that the Warrant needs to be finalized and signed. A draft of the Warrant should be distributed by the end of the week. Mr. Larsen briefly reviewed some of the articles. The Board discussed potential changes to the articles.

7. Executive Session

The Board polled all aye to go into executive session to discuss strategy in preparation for negotiations with nonunion personnel and strategy with respect to collective bargaining with all Town Unions.

See Executive Session Minutes.

At 8:50 pm the meeting was adjourned.