

Board of Selectmen – March 8, 2010

Present: Searle, Babson, Dugan, Tsagaris and Gibbs

Also present: Larsen, Ketchen, Connolly, Robinson

Call to order: Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm.

Warrants approved: #35 in the amount of \$3,320,544.81

Citizen speak: None.

Minutes approved: March 1, 2010

Business: The Chairman welcomed the newest Board member Ellen Gibbs.

2. Executive Directors Update

Approval of March 1, 2010 Minutes

Move to approve the minutes of the March 1, 2010 meeting of the Board of Selectmen.

Appointment to Historic District Commission

Move to appoint David Giangrosso to the Historical District Commission for a term to expire on June 30, 2013.

Eagle Scout Proclamations

Mr. Larsen noted that Joe Fortini, Scoutmaster of Troop 185 requested the Board recognize Brandon Leo James Tomm and Conor Daniel O’Leary for earning the advancement to Eagle Scout. The Board signed Proclamations for both scouts and the Chairman extended the Board’s congratulations for this impressive distinction.

Call April Special Primary

Mr. Ketchen explained the necessity to call a Special State Primary.

Move to approve the Warrant for the Special State Primary for candidates of political parties for the office of Senator in General Court from the Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex District and further, that Tuesday, April 13, 2010 from 7:00 AM to 8:00 PM is the date and time for said primary.

3. Building Inspector – Kimlo Road Update

Michael Grant, Inspector of Buildings gave the Board an update on the current situation at Kimlo Road. He met with the State Building Inspector last week on the proposed stabilization plan at the site. The site will be under the construction control of a registered professional design engineer who will be responsible for all site work being done there. Mr. Grant is in the process of scheduling a meeting with all individuals involved.

4. Boston Marathon

Tim Maul and his patient partner Curtis Reidy of the Children’s Hospital Miles for Miracles Program appeared before the Board to describe the Miles for Miracles running program which raises funds for Boston’s Children’s Hospital. They are requesting the Board declare the section of Washington Street in front of St. Paul Church as “Children’s Way” on April 19, 2010 during the running of the Boston Marathon. There are certain areas on the marathon route which the

patient partners view and greet their running partners during the race one which is located in Wellesley and another in Brookline.

The Board enthusiastically signed the Proclamation.

Mr. Larsen met with Guy Morse, Executive Director of the BAA sponsor of the Boston Marathon. Mr. Larson was informed that the BAA has increased its yearly financial support to the Town from \$26,000 to \$32,000. These funds are allocated to various Town departments e.g. Police, Fire and DPW for various programs or to help defer costs of the marathon.

The Town also received from the BAA waivers to obtain runners numbers without satisfying the time requirements. Most of these waivers are utilized by fire and police personnel. Mr. Larson noted that the Town received about 15 numbers this year and suggested that perhaps in the future we may be able to donate some of the numbers to a local charitable organization for auction.

5. 2010 Annual Town Meeting – Review Draft Motions

Mr. Ketchen reviewed the draft motions and noted some may be edited after they are received from various Town departments.

Old Business/New Business:

27 Washington Street – Mr. Larsen said a meeting will be convened to work out plans and specs for the road work and the Town's Right of Way.

Senior Center – Ms. Tsagaris gave some clarifications on the acquisition of 494 Washington Street and noted that the P & S was signed on March 1st. An article will run in the Townsman this week giving the reason for this purchase and will address questions that have been raised with hopes of clarifying the public discourse.

Advisory Committee Update – There will be a public hearing on the STM Warrant on March 17th at 7 P.M. in the Juliani Room - Town Hall.

DCR Bridge – The pedestrian bridge work may start up as early as April.

Fuller Brook Path – Ms. Babson will have information ready for next week's meeting.

Wellesley High School – None

The Chairman reported that our match received from the CPC Act last fall is \$277,000 which is a 35% match, which was expected. The match for 2010 was thought to be less at about 28% but based on information from the DOR it will be slightly higher in the 30% range next October.

At 7:40 p.m., the Board was polled all “yes” to enter Executive Session for the purpose of discussing acquisition of real property.