

**Advisory Committee
Meeting
February 23, 2011, 7:30 pm
Juliani Room, Town Hall**

Caren Parker called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Those present included Virginia Ferko, Rick Hill, Catherine Johnson, Philip Licari, Jason Whittet, Maura Murphy, Polly Smith, David Murphy, Steve Simons (arriving 7:32 pm), and Richard Page (arriving 7:38 pm). Absent: Jack Haley, Barbara McMahon, Derek Redgate, and Laura Hockett.

Citizen Speak. No one spoke at Citizen Speak.

Ms. Parker announced that the Wellesley Cable Station was recording the meeting.

Planning Board Articles. Guests Planning Director Meghan Jop, Board Chair Don McCauley and Vice Chair Stephanie Wasser presented an update on the Planning Board Articles as detailed in a document that they distributed. Mr. McCauley noted that some articles are still evolving and a discussion followed that included extensive questioning on the administrative aspects of a tree preservation bylaw.

ATM Articles Discussion/Votes. Mr. Simon moved that the Advisory Committee recommend favorable action on the motion expected under Article 39 of the Warrant. Ms. Ferko seconded the motion. There was a discussion of the article which regards amending the Town Bylaws to conform to statutory changes in the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c.30A, §§18 et seq. The motion passed by a vote of 10-0.

Ms. Murphy moved that the Advisory Committee recommend favorable action on Motion 1 expected under Article 16 of the Warrant. Ms. Ferko seconded the motion. There was a brief discussion of Motion 1 with regards to a Community Preservation Committee (CPC) request for an appropriation for a grant to the Wellesley Housing Development Authority. The motion passed by a vote of 10-0.

Ms. Murphy moved that the Advisory Committee recommend favorable action on Motion 2 expected under Article 16 of the Warrant. Ms. Ferko seconded the motion. Motion 2 is in regards to administrative expenses for the CPC and also a Community Preservation Act requirement for appropriations to designate reserves. The motion passed by a vote of 10-0.

Break. Advisory took a short break at 9:39 pm and reconvened at 9:50 pm.

Liaison Reports and Updates. Mr. Licari and Mr. Page reported that they received some budget information from the Schools and they will reiterate the need for additional information previously requested. Ms. Parker announced that Advisory will not meet on Saturday, February 26, and another Saturday meeting has been tentatively scheduled for March 5.

ATM Write-ups. Ms. Ferko reviewed with the members the status of write-ups for the 2011 Advisory ATM Report.

Adjournment. A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Ms. Smith and seconded by Mr. Licari. The vote to adjourn was 10-0.

The meeting adjourned at 10:13 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Eileen Davis
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Documents Referenced or Distributed: Planning Board 2011 ATM, Presentation to Advisory Committee, February 23, 2011.