

**Advisory Committee
Meeting
Wednesday, March 2, 2011, 7:30 PM
Juliani Room, Town Hall**

Jack Haley called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM. Those present included Caren Parker, Virginia Ferko, Catherine Johnson, Jason Whittet (leaving at 9:25 PM), Maura Murphy, Laura Hockett, Philip Licari, Richard Page, Polly Smith, Derek Redgate, David Murphy, and Barbara McMahon. Steve Simons and Rick Hill were absent.

Citizen Speak

No one attending spoke during Citizen Speak.

Minutes

Upon a motion made by Mr. Licari and seconded by Ms. Ferko, Advisory approved the meeting minutes of February 16, 2011. The vote was 11-0 with one abstention. Upon a motion made by Mr. Licari and seconded by Ms. Ferko, Advisory approved the meeting minutes of February 23, 2011. The vote was 12-0. Upon a motion made by Ms. Smith and seconded by Mr. Licari, Advisory members approved the meeting minutes of February 19, 2011. The vote was 12-0.

ATM Articles Discussion and Votes

Ms. Hockett moved that the Advisory Committee recommend favorable action on Motion #1 expected under Article 5 of the Warrant. There was a brief discussion of Motion #1, which involves the Salary Plan-Pay Schedules for Series 40 employees. Ms. Smith seconded the motion, which was approved by a vote of 12-0.

Ms. Hockett moved that the Advisory Committee recommend favorable action on Motion #2 expected under Article 5 of the Warrant. There was a brief discussion of Motion #2, which involves the Salary Plan-Pay Schedules for Series 50 employees. Ms. Ferko seconded the motion, which was approved by a vote of 12-0.

Ms. Hockett moved that the Advisory Committee recommend favorable action on the motion expected under Article 6 of the Warrant. There was a brief discussion of Article 6, which regards the salary plan for Series 40 employees. Ms. Smith seconded the motion, which was approved by a vote of 12-0.

Ms. Hockett moved that the Advisory Committee recommend favorable action on Motion #3 expected under Article 5 of the Warrant. Ms. Ferko seconded the motion, which relates to a salary adjustment for Series 50 employees. The motion was approved by a vote of 12-0.

Mr. Whittet moved that the Advisory Committee recommend favorable action on the motion expected under Article 7 of the Warrant. There was a brief discussion of Article 7, which involves a legal settlement for the unauthorized removal of trees at the Boulder Brook Reservation. Ms. Ferko seconded the motion, and it passed by a vote of 11-0, with one abstention.

After a discussion of Article 20, which involves a recycled materials loading structure for the Recycling and Disposal Facility (RDF), it was decided that Ms. Smith would gather additional information regarding the article, and Advisory would vote on the article at an upcoming meeting.

Ms. Smith moved that the Advisory Committee recommend favorable action on the motion expected under Article 21 of the Warrant. There was a discussion of Article 21 which involves replacing a restroom facility and maintenance storage structure at Hunnewell Field. Ms. Ferko seconded the motion. The motion failed to pass, with a vote of 0-12.

Ms. Smith moved that the Advisory Committee recommend favorable action on the motion expected under Article 22 of the Warrant. There was a discussion of this article, which seeks authorization for the Department of Public Works (DPW) to borrow monies for reconstructing Kingsbury Street. Ms. Ferko seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 12-0.

Ms. Johnson moved that the Advisory Committee recommend favorable action on the motion expected under Article 25 of the Warrant. There was a brief discussion of the article, which regards an easement at 8 Rockland Street. Ms. McMahon seconded the motion, which passed by a vote of 12-0.

Ms. Smith moved that the Advisory Committee recommend favorable action on the motion expected under Article 28 of the Warrant. There was a brief discussion of the article, which regards an easement at 219 Washington Street. Mr. Licari seconded the motion, which passed by a vote of 12-0.

Ms. Ferko moved that the Advisory Committee recommend favorable action on the motion expected under Article 46 of the Warrant. The article regards the appointment of fire engineers. Mr. Licari seconded the motion, which passed by a vote of 12-0.

Ms. Ferko moved that the Advisory Committee recommend favorable action on the motion expected under Article 36 of the Warrant. The article involves two single building local historic districts. Ms. McMahon seconded the motion, which passed by a vote of 12-0.

Mr. Redgate moved that the Advisory Committee recommend favorable action on the motion expected under Article 37 of the Warrant. There was a brief discussion of the article, which involves amending a zoning bylaw to allow seasonal outdoor sales of farm produce or natural products in Single Residence A Districts. Ms. McMahon seconded the motion, which passed by a vote of 12-0.

Ms. Hockett moved that the Advisory Committee recommend favorable action on the motion expected under Article 38 of the Warrant. There was a brief discussion of the article, which regards the Town adopting the Stretch Energy Code. Ms. Smith seconded the motion, which passed by a vote of 12-0.

Ms. Ferko moved that the Advisory Committee recommend favorable action on Motion #1 expected under Article 41 of the Warrant. Motion #1 involves rescinding unused borrowing authorizations. Mr. Licari seconded the motion, which passed by a vote of 12-0. Ms. Ferko moved that the Advisory Committee recommend favorable action on Motion #2 expected under Article 41 of the Warrant. Motion #2 involves rescinding unused borrowing authorizations. Ms. McMahon seconded the motion, which passed by a vote of 12-0.

Break

Advisory adjourned for a break at 9:25 PM and reconvened at 9:31 PM.

Updates

There was a brief discussion of the NRC Capital and Operating Budget Requests. There was a more extensive discussion on the School Budget, and Ms. McMahon, Mr. Licari and Mr. Page updated

members on information that has and has not been received. Members discussed scenarios for reviewing the School Budget and making recommendations to Town Meeting in view of the outstanding information to date. Mr. Haley looked to the members for guidance on the Chair's Letter to residents and this was discussed along with strategies for presenting Article 8 and other areas of concern with regard to moving forward with the Advisory Report. Mr. Haley presented documents that gave an update on free cash calculations, as well as on sources and uses of funds. There followed a discussion concerning the level of free cash, presenting a balanced budget, and assumptions in the Town-Wide Financial Plan.

Adjournment

Ms. Johnson moved that Advisory adjourn the meeting, and Mr. Licari seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a vote of 11-0. The meeting adjourned at 10:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Eileen Davis
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Documents: Free Cash Calculation; Town of Wellesley Sources and Uses of Funds.