

**Advisory Committee
October 10, 2012
Felix Juliani Meeting Room, Town Hall**

David Murphy called the meeting of the Wellesley Advisory Committee to order at 6:30 p.m. Those present included Thomas Engels, Becky Epstein, Ann-Marie Gross, Laura Hockett, John Hussey, Catherine Johnson, Phillip Licari, Andy Patten, Ann Rappaport, Deb Robi and Rich Woerner.

Robert Capozzi entered the meeting at 6:37 p.m.

Marjorie Freiman and Lucy Kapples entered the meeting at 6:40 p.m.

Special Education Presentation

Linda Waters, Director of K-12 Student Services for the Wellesley Public Schools, Dr. David Lussier, Superintendent of the Wellesley Public Schools and Diane Campbell, Chair of the Wellesley School Committee gave a presentation on special education services and programs.

Questions from the Committee were taken and discussed.

Citizen Speak

None

Approval of Minutes

David Murphy, Chair, asked for review of the minutes of October 3, 2012 meeting. Ann-Marie Gross advised that in the future, when the draft copy of the meeting minutes has been sent to the Committee, any changes to the minutes should be addressed during the meeting. The draft copy of the minutes will be emailed to committee members instead of printing copies for distribution. An amendment to language concerning the 900 Worcester was made by Catherine Johnson. A motion was made by Ann-Marie Gross to approve the minutes as amended. Laura Hockett seconded the motion and the minutes were approved as amended by a vote of 15-0.

CPC Overview

This item was withdrawn from the agenda with no objections.

DPW/MLP Overview

Department of Public Works

David A. T. Donohue, Chairman, Paul L. Crisswell, Vice Chairman, and Owen H. Dugan, Secretary of the Board of Public Works, gave a presentation of the Wellesley Department of Public Works including the organization, funding, management approach, challenges and accomplishments.

Questions were answered and discussion followed.

Municipal Light Plant Overview

Paul L. Criswell, Chairman, Board of Commissioners of the Municipal Light Plant, gave the presentation. He discussed the mission statement function, and operations of the plant.

Questions were answered and discussion followed.

Budget Guidelines

David Murphy, Chair, summarized the budget process at the last meeting, but asked for input from committee members for any areas where more information is needed. Discussion followed.

Liaison Reports

Lucy Kapples advised that Rose Mary Donohue would be presenting an update this month on the Fuller Brook Park. She stated that consultants had asked for more funding, but the board was thoroughly reviewing circumstances before making any decisions on the request.

Philip Licari reminded the Committee about the joint meeting with the Board of Selectmen, School Committee and Advisory Committee on Thursday, October 11, 2012 to review the results of the Symmes Maini & McKee Associates (SMMA) School Facilities Assessment study. The meeting was adjourned at 9:56 p.m.

Documents: Agenda, Special Education Presentation, Town of Wellesley Department of Public Works Presentation, Advisory Committee meeting minutes of 10/03/12