

Holbrook Board of Selectmen

Minutes of the Regular Session of

Wednesday, January 16, 2013

Present: Timothy J. Gordon, Chairman  
Brinsley A. Fuller, Vice-Chairman  
Kevin J. Sheehan, Clerk  
Richard B. McGaughey, Associate  
Matthew V. Moore, Associate (arrived approx. 7:00 pm)

In attendance: William J. Phelan, Town Administrator  
Marjorie E. Godfrey, Assistant Town Administrator

The meeting was called to order at 6:32 pm by Chairman Gordon, in the Cafeteria of Holbrook Junior-Senior High School 245 South Franklin Street, Holbrook, MA 02343.

CONTINUATION OF DEC. 18, 2012 PUBLIC HEARING RELATIVE TO PROPOSED FEDERAL FY2013 GRANT APPLICATION TO MASSACHUSETTS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM:

Present: Wayne Darragh, Community Opportunities Group (COG)

MOTION: By Mr. Gordon, second by Mr. Sheehan, to continue (from January 9, 2013) the December 18, 2012 public hearing to discuss a proposed Federal FY2013 grant application to the Massachusetts Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program, report on the progress of current grants, and discuss community development and housing needs and issues facing the town

VOTE: 4:0

It was discussed that the Board previously agreed that an improved Senior Center and a Housing Rehab Program would be goals of the proposed CDBG grant application. Mr. Darragh and Mr. Phelan met recently to review social service programs that could be included in this application, and their recommendation was that assisting the Holbrook food pantry be included.

Mr. Darragh advised that the town would submit as a CDF1 community, and could apply every year. The draft Community Development Strategy, updated by Mr. Darragh, was reviewed, discussed and approved by the Board of Selectmen.

MOTION: By Mr. Fuller, second by Mr. Sheehan, that the Board of Selectmen grant approval of the 2013 Community Development Strategy as suggested

VOTE: 4:0

MOTION: By Mr. Fuller, second by Mr. Sheehan, that the town submit a CDF1 application for activities to include a Senior Center, a Housing Rehabilitation Program, and food pantry assistance, in an amount not to exceed \$900,000, and authorize the Chairman to sign the grant forms

VOTE: 4:0

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The Board discussed the upcoming meeting schedule. The next regular meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 30, 2013. Beginning in February, meetings will be held on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month.

The Board discussed Article 2 on the Special Town Meeting warrant. This article seeks approval and funding of the recently negotiated contract with the Public Library employees. The terms of the prior agreement with the Library employees was discussed.

MOTION: By Mr. Gordon, second by Mr. Sheehan, that the Board of Selectmen support Article 2 which funds the pay raises for the Library staff

VOTE: 5:0

MOTION: At 7:10 pm, by Mr. Moore, second by Mr. Fuller, to adjourn the meeting

VOTE: 5:0

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Kevin J. Sheehan, Clerk

Documents:

Agenda

Memo re: Potential Activities for the FY13 CDBG application  
Information on Proposed Grant Application, Existing Grants,  
Community Development Strategy & Sustainable Development  
Principles

STM warrant with proposed motions

Letter from Robert Austin

Quantum of vote from Town Counsel

Official Proposed town charter

Memo from Town Counsel re: charter

Letter from Historical Commission re:

Demolition Delay By-law

Town Govt. Study Committee motion to  
amend proposed charter

Finance Committee recommendations