



# **TOWN of WAREHAM**

## **Board of Selectmen/Sewer Commissioners**

### **Meeting Agenda**

5:30 P.M. Wareham Multi Service Center, Selectmen's Meeting Room 320, 48 Marion Road,  
Wareham, MA

- 1. CALL TO ORDER BY CHAIRMAN**
- 2. ROLL CALL**
- 3. CONSENT AGENDA**
  - a. Authorization to sign bills and documents, etc.
- 4. SEWER BUSINESS**
  - a. Any other sewer business.
- 5. TOWN BUSINESS**
  - a. WCTV Live Streaming.
  - b. Status of policy review.
  - c. Vote on Special Town Meeting Warrant Articles.
  - d. Any other Town business not reasonably anticipated 48 hours prior to the posting of this meeting.
- 6. LIAISON REPORTS**
- 7. ADJOURNMENT**
- 8. SIGNING OF DOCUMENTS APPROVED BY THE BOARD**

## MINUTES OF MEETING OF SELECTMEN/SEWER COMMISSIONERS

Date of Meeting: April 30, 2012  
Date of Transcription: May 2, 2012  
Transcribed by: Janet Wilson

### 1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER BY CHAIRMAN

### 2. ROLL CALL

Chairman Holmes called the meeting to order

Selectmen Present: Stephen M. Holmes, Chairman  
Cara A. Winslow, Clerk  
Ellen M. Begley  
Alan H. Slavin

Also present: John D. Foster, Interim Town Administrator

### 3. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Town meeting continues tonight at the Wareham High School at 7pm.

On Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup> 1pm-5pm Sylvester and Friends will be holding a fundraiser for the Relay for life at the Riverside in Middleboro. Tickets are \$30 per person for a fashion show and dinner.

Stevie B's will be holding a fundraiser for Jacobs run on May 5<sup>th</sup>

Walk for Hunger will be held on May 6<sup>th</sup>

Hazardous Waste Day will be May 5<sup>th</sup>

### 4. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Authorization to sign bills and documents, etc. (none)

### 5. SEWER BUSINESS

- a. Any other sewer business

Chairman Holmes asked Mr. Foster if he knew anything about the reimbursement from the Water District in the amount of \$200,000? Mr. Foster stated that Attorney Bowen was going to send a letter requesting payment to them.

Selectman Begley asked if Mr. Camphina could provide an update on the punch list as well as warranties.

### 6. TOWN BUSINESS

- a. WCTV Live streaming

Chairman Holmes stated that last week WCTV announced they would no longer be streaming online. He said he wrote a letter as a citizen and was told by Mr. Heard that it wasn't a decision made by the Board of Directors and was a decision that he had made. Chairman Holmes asked if the board was interested in sending a letter asking them to reconsider? Selectman Slavin stated that Mr. Heard said there was a problem with the

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cable providers who had concerns with live streaming. Selectman Winslow stated that she spoke with Mr. Heard and he expressed that the financing from WCTV comes from the agreements that are negotiated with Verizon and Comcast and when people are not subscribers to these services they are still able to live stream those meetings and they are not paying the subscriber fee. Selectman Begley said she had an issue that this decision was made by Mr. Heard and not by the Board of Directors.

**MOTION:** Selectman Slavin moved to send a letter to WCTV in regards to live streaming issue in support of our citizens that use that service to access town meeting. Selectman Winslow seconded for discussion. She asked what the content of the letter would be? Chairman Holmes stated something on the line of We the Board of Selectmen wish the Board of Directors to review their decision in terms of ceasing live streaming, many of our rate payers and citizens view this as they are traveling on business, or on vacation down south for the winter or many of which will now be camping in the summer who have access to the internet but no access to cable.

**VOTE:** 4-0-0 (unanimous)

Chairman Holmes stated that there is no contract with WCTV and the town and Attorney Bowen was to review this and get back to the board.

**MOTION:** Selectman Winslow moved to have Chairman Holmes as the liaison to engage in negotiations between the Town of Wareham and WCTV. Selectman Begley seconded.

**VOTE:** 4-0-0 (unanimous)

b. Status of policy review

Selectman Winslow stated that she has some drafts from Attorney Bowen on the liquor licenses, which she will bring to the office and have them scanned to the board.

Selectman Begley stated that she hasn't done anything with Mr. Campinha in regards to the Sewer polices. She stated that Town Meeting has kept them busy.

c. Vote on Special Town Meeting Warrant Articles

Article 1 - To see if the town will vote to confirm the award made by the JLMC concerning the Police Union contract, or to take any other action relative thereto.

**MOTION:** Selectman Winslow moved favorable action. Selectman Begley seconded.

**VOTE:** 4-0-0 (unanimous)

Article 2 - To see if the town will vote to transfer and appropriate from Fiscal 2012 available funds, including funds previously appropriated for other uses, or retained earnings, or to raise a sum or sums of money to appropriate to Fiscal 2012 accounts for the purposes here specified or to any action relating hereto. Selectman Begley seconded. Selectman Slavin had some questions regarding the Town Accountant. Mr. Foster stated that the extra \$22,000 would be for BMAG to carry them over to June 30<sup>th</sup>. Selectman Slavin asked about the \$62,000 for Municipal Maintenance? Mr. Foster said that they were waiting for a reimbursement for a storm. Mr. Sullivan stated that this was a placeholder however, FEMA is going to reimburse the town and we should expect payment in about 3 weeks. Mr. Foster said under Long-term debt it should have read \$75,000 for principle and \$29,000 for debt and that would need to be amended. Selectman Slavin asked about the Police Regular – Police Professional services fees. Mr. Sullivan stated that was for the female matrons.

**VOTE:** 4-0-0 (unanimous)

Article 3 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer, or borrow a sufficient sum of money to purchase a 2012 Dodge Ram pick-up for the listed price of

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\$24,400 with an additional \$4,500 to be added for a police radio, emergency lights, and police markings. Minus \$9,000 received from the insurance settlement, regarding the previous truck, which was deemed a total loss after being involved in an accident, the total price of the truck would be \$19,900.

**MOTION:** Selectman Winslow moved favorable action. Selectman Begley seconded. Selectman Slavin asked if this should have been first through Capital Planning? Selectman Winslow stated that this was an emergency. Selectman Winslow asked if at town meeting this could be clarified for the voters?

**VOTE:** 4-0-0 (unanimous)

Article 4 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer a sum of money from available funds to fund the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Town and AFSCME Council 93 AFL-CIO Local 30, Wareham Library Employees: or to do or act in any manner thereto.

**MOTION:** Selectman Winslow moved favorable action. Selectman Begley seconded.

**VOTE:** 4-0-0 (unanimous)

Articles 5-14 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate and or/transfer a sum of money from available funds to fund the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Town and Massachusetts Labor's Public Employees Council Union 1249 of the Labor's International Union of North American Wareham Dispatchers Union, Massachusetts Labor's Public Employees Council Union 1249 of the Labor's International Union of North America Wareham Clerical Union, Massachusetts Labor's Public Employees Council Union 1249 of the Labor's International union of North America Wareham Wastewater Treatment Plant Union, Massachusetts Labor's Public Employees Council Union 1249 of the Labor's International Union of North American Wareham Municipal Maintenance Department and Town Custodians Union, United Steelworkers AFL-CIO-CLC, Local Union 13507, Unit 4 Lower Managers Union, United Steelworkers AFL-CIO-CLC, Local Union 13507, Unit 4 Upper Managers Union, Professional Firefighters EMT Association, IAFF, Local 2895, Foreman's Union, Superior Officers Union.

**MOTION:** Selectman Winslow moved favorable action on articles 5-14. Selectman Begley seconded.

**VOTE:** 0-0-4 (unanimous)

Article #15 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer a sum of money from available funds to fund the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Town and Personnel Plan.

**MOTION:** Selectman Winslow moved favorable action on articles 5-14. Selectman Begley seconded.

**VOTE:** 0-0-4 (unanimous)

Selectman Winslow stated that this is not a collective bargaining agreement and should be clarified to the voters at town meeting.

Article #16 To see if the town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen and/or the Town Roadway Commissioners, as applicable, to accept a gift by deed or easment, of an approximately 8,000 square foot right of way, over certain property located at 4 Seth Tobey Road and 2149 Cranberry Highway, currently owned by Bayside Agricultural, Inc., subject to the limitation that the right of way be used only for roadway purposes

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and only in connection with proposed improvements to Tobey Road and Cranberry Highway as are approved by the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals, or to do or act in any manner relative thereto. Selectman Begley seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (unanimous)

Article #17 To determine whether the town will vote to add a registered voter requirement of 1 year for elected officers, or to do or act in any manner relative thereto.

VOTE: 3-1-0 (Selectman Begley opposed)

- d. Any other Town business not reasonably anticipated 48 hours prior to the posting of this meeting.

Chairman Holmes will try and schedule on the 8<sup>th</sup> agenda discussion of the reconstruction of Cranberry Highway.

Selectman Winslow stated that the Steelworkers union has gone into mediation and since Mr. Foster is in that union he wouldn't be able to sit in with the mediator. She said that someone would have to represent the town at that meeting. Mr. Foster stated that May 9<sup>th</sup> they are meeting from 10am-1pm for the upper managers union and on May 17<sup>th</sup> from 10am-1pm for the lower managers union and that someone does need to attend. Chairman Holmes will get the official protocol from Town Counsel this evening and report back to the board tomorrow on this.

At this time Ron Robinson came before the board since the board didn't have Citizens Participation earlier in the meeting. Mr. Robinson asked if the board knew if the cap was nearer to the amount that they have on the town meeting warrant? The board stated that at this time they didn't have an exact amount and it may be just below the \$22,000 but they really don't have an exact amount.

7. LIAISON REPORT  
(none)

8. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Selectman Winslow moved to adjourn. Selectman Begley seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (unanimous)

9. SIGNING OF DOCUMENTS APPROVED BY THE BOARD

Respectfully submitted,  
*Janet Wilson*  
Department Assistant

The foregoing minutes were submitted to the Board of Selectmen/Sewer Commissioners on:

Attest: *Jana A. Winslow*

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*Cara A. Winslow*, Clerk pro-tem

Date Signed: 5-8-12

Date sent to the Town Clerk: 5-8-12

