TOWN OF WAYLAND



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BOARD OF SELECTMEN STEVEN J. CORREIA THOMAS J. FAY JOSEPH F. NOLAN SUSAN W. POPE MICHAEL L. TICHNOR

Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes December 21, 2009

Attendance: S. Correia, T. Fay, J. Nolan (arrived 7:07 p.m.), S. Pope, M. Tichnor **Also Present:** Town Administrator F. Turkington, Secretary M. DiNapoli

Vice Chair S. Correia called the meeting of the Board of Selectmen to order at 7:06 p.m. in the Selectmen's Meeting Room and reviewed the agenda for the viewing audience. The Board approved and signed the warrant for the January 19, 2010 Special Election for U.S. Senator. F. Turkington noted that the next meeting of the Board will be Monday, January 4, 2009. M. Tichnor urged residents to consider making a contribution to the Wayland Charitable Committee during this holiday season. Town Clerk Lois Toombs said the deadline to register to vote in the January election is December 30, 2009, and the Town Clerk's office will be open until 8:00 p.m. on that day.

- A2. Public Comment There was no public comment.
- A3. Discussion of Ambulance Rates with Fire Chief Bob Loomer Fire Chief Bob Loomer appeared before the Board to discuss setting new fees for ambulance services. B. Loomer noted that while services in Wayland have increased, the revenue to the town has decreased due to the cut in the Medicare allowance for these services. The Board discussed the percentage of Wayland users on Medicare, and the timeliness of the reimbursement. T. Fay moved, seconded by S. Correia, to authorize the increase of the current fee basis to Medicare plus 100% effective January 1, 2010. YEA: S. Correia, T. Fay, J. Nolan, S. Pope, M. Tichnor. NAY: none. ABSTAIN: none. Adopted 5-0. B. Loomer provided a brief synopsis of the Advanced Life Support system to date. He said the town has received good cooperation from Sudbury and Weston and has worked successfully with all the local hospitals. He said he will review the revenue numbers after the first ninety days of the program.
- **A7. Consent Calendar** M. Tichnor moved, seconded by T. Fay, to approve the consent calendar (warrants TA122109, SA122109, C1014M). YEA: S. Correia, T. Fay, J. Nolan, S. Pope, M. Tichnor. NAY: none. ABSTAIN: none. Adopted 5-0.
- **A8. Correspondence** The Board discussed the week's correspondence. The Board requested that Mary Ellen Castagno and Town Moderator C. Peter R. Gossels be invited to a future meeting to discuss the Minuteman budget issue. T. Fay asked about a timeline for the Board of Selectmen to appoint an economic development committee; F. Turkington said he is gathering sample charges, scopes, tasks, and other information from comparable communities and will have a presentation ready by next month. M. Tichnor suggested that current boards and committees, or staff, might be able to provide the same perspective as an economic development committee.
- **A9. Report of the Town Administrator** M. Tichnor moved, seconded by S. Pope, to open the warrant for the Annual Town Meeting to be held on Monday, May 10, 2010, at 7:30 p.m. in the Wayland High

School Field House, and the Annual Election to be held on Tuesday, May 4, 2010, at designated polling places. The warrant for said Annual Town Meeting will be open from Tuesday, December 22, 2009, at 8:30 a.m. through Friday, January 15, 2010, at 4:30 p.m. In accordance with Chapter 36, Section 36-3 of the Code of the Town of Wayland, all articles for consideration and inclusion in said warrant shall be submitted to the Selectmen's Office in the Wayland Town Building at 41 Cochituate Road, Wayland, Massachusetts, by 4:30 p.m. on Friday, January 15, 2010. YEA: S. Correia, T. Fay, J. Nolan, S. Pope, M. Tichnor. NAY: none. ABSTAIN: none. Adopted 5-0.

- **A4.** Update by Energy Initiatives Advisory Committee Bill Huss, Ann Harris, and Tom Sciacca of the Energy Initiatives Advisory Committee appeared before the Board to provide an update on their activities. They said their priorities are the town buildings, the Green Communities Act, the new High School, town residences, and streetlights. B. Huss discussed benchmarking efforts in conjunction with Public Buildings Director John Moynihan, energy audits, grant opportunities, and the best process for implementation. J. Nolan suggested monthly meetings to evaluate the town's progress. T. Fay recommended meeting with committees from other towns, such as Lincoln and Framingham; B. Huss said they have met with Weston and Sudbury, and plan to continue to other towns. The Board discussed the timeline for preparing any potential articles for Annual Town Meeting. The Board discussed the potential for solar energy at the town buildings and the methane project at the landfill. T. Fay asked if there would be an advantage to hiring staff dedicated to energy efficiency and writing grants; B. Huss said the committee would review that. J. Nolan said the Green Communities Act is a priority, and he would also like to reach out to residents to have energy audits on their homes. J. Nolan thanked the committee for its work and said they will set up another meeting soon.
- **A5.** Discussion of Preliminary Set of Selectmen Objectives and Strategies for 2010 F. Turkington reviewed a draft of Selectmen objectives and strategies for 2010. He asked the Board for its input in regard to any suggestions or changes, and said he will compile a final document over the next few weeks.
- **A6. Review of Potential Annual Town Meeting Warrant Articles** F. Turkington presented the Board with the standard articles for Annual Town Meeting, as well as those carried over from the November 2009 Special Town Meeting. He said there will also be an article from the Board to modify the inter-town agreement with the Town of Sudbury regarding the septage facility. M. Tichnor asked to reconsider the title of the article, "Recognize Citizens and Employees for Extensive Service to Town;" F. Turkington said he will consult with Town Counsel. He said he expected petitioners' articles regarding the development of the former Dow property for athletic fields and ice skating, Doran Road, possible variations on the execution of town meeting, and electronic voting. J. Nolan said the Board should consider an article on green initiatives.
- A9. Report of the Town Administrator F. Turkington reviewed the final liquor licenses. The Board addressed the issue of nonpayment of taxes by Dudley Chateau and Benson's II. Ken Phillips, manager of the Dudley Chateau, said he is trying to pay down the restaurant's debt and hopes to purchase the property by April 2010. The Board took into consideration the fact that Dudley Chateau has made a good faith effort to make monthly payments towards the balance due. T. Fay moved, seconded by S. Pope, to approve the on-premise all-alcoholic licenses of the BBRG Operating Group dba Coach Grill, the Old Wayland Restaurant Inc. dba Luigi's Italian Grill, and Golf Course Enterprises LLC dba Wayland Country Club. YEA: S. Correia, T. Fay, J. Nolan, S. Pope, M. Tichnor. NAY: none. ABSTAIN: none. Adopted 5-0. M. Tichnor moved, seconded by T. Fay, to approve the on-premise all alcoholic license of Sandy Burr Inc., dba Sandy Burr Country Club. YEA: S. Correia, T. Fay, J. Nolan, S. Pope, M. Tichnor. NAY:

none. ABSTAIN: none. Adopted 5-0. T. Fay moved, seconded by M. Tichnor, to approve the common victuallers license of the Dudley Chateau of Cochituate Inc., dba Dudley Chateau . YEA: S. Correia, T. Fay, J. Nolan, S. Pope, M. Tichnor. NAY: none. ABSTAIN: none. Adopted 5-0. T. Fay moved, seconded by M. Tichnor, to approve the on-premise all alcoholic liquor license for the Dudley Chateau of Cochituate Inc., dba Dudley Chateau, for one year, conditional upon the operator's agreement to pay all outstanding taxes and water bills by January 31, 2010, or the license will be revoked at that time. K. Phillips indicated that he would accept the condition. YEA: S. Correia, T. Fay, J. Nolan, S. Pope, M. Tichnor. NAY: none. ABSTAIN: none. Adopted 5-0. T. Fay moved, seconded by M. Tichnor, to approve the common victuallers license of Benson's II Inc. dba Benson's II. YEA: S. Correia, T. Fay, J. Nolan, S. Pope, M. Tichnor. NAY: none. ABSTAIN: none. Adopted 5-0.

F. Turkington reviewed upcoming meeting schedules and agendas. J. Nolan suggested that the Board take a proactive approach to making the former Finnerty's viable again. M. Tichnor moved, seconded by T. Fay, that the Board delegate its authority and responsibility for the maintenance, repair, financial operation, except for the financial audit of the Wayland-Sudbury Septage Facility, and administrative requirements of the building at the decommissioned Wayland-Sudbury Septage Facility to the Town Administrator, to be exercised in conjunction with the Town Manager of the Town of Sudbury, except for the execution of expense vouchers which shall be the sole responsibility of the Town Administrator, until the dissolution or adjournment *sine die* of the 2010 Annual Town Meeting of the Town of Wayland or the 2010 Annual Town Meeting of the Town of Sudbury, whichever occurs later. YEA: S. Correia, T. Fay, J. Nolan, S. Pope, M. Tichnor. NAY: none. ABSTAIN: none. Adopted 5-0.

A10. Selectmen's Reports and Concerns T. Fay encouraged the Board to publicize Wayland as a good place to live. F. Turkington said he will continue to work closely with realtor associations and business groups to promote the town. He noted that an Economic Development Committee would be helpful in terms of streamlining regulatory issues. He also highlighted the work of the Wayland to Waveland organization in terms of creating a community that cares for each other and the greater good. J. Nolan said the Board should meet with Doran Road residents in January in a series of open panel forums to clarify the town's position on possible development. S. Pope said Santa's Ride, sponsored by the Wayland Fire Department, was very well-received and shows a commitment to the town. She also said she is opposed to scheduling an open meeting law seminar; she said the Board has already had training, has never violated an open meeting law, and has more important issues to address.

A11. Executive Session The executive session was cancelled.

S. Pope moved, seconded by S. Correia, to adjourn the meeting of the Board of Selectmen at 9:22 p.m. YEA: S. Correia, T. Fay, J. Nolan, S. Pope, M. Tichnor. NAY: none. ABSTAIN: none. Adopted 5-0.