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BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes October 5, 2009

Attendance: S. Correia, T. Fay, J. Nolan, S. Pope, M. Tichnor
Also Present: Town Administrator F. Turkington, Secretary M. DiNapoli

Chair J. Nolan called the meeting of the Board of Selectmen to order at 7:02 p.m. in the Selectmen's Meeting Room and reviewed the agenda for the viewing audience.

A2. Recess to Attend Finance Committee Warrant Hearing The Board recessed at 7:03 p.m. to attend the Finance Committee warrant hearing, and returned at 7:40 p.m.

A3. Public Comment Anette Lewis, 33 Claypit Hill Road, said that Exhibits C and D of the Development Agreement for the town center project were not filed at the Registry of Deeds, and the terms of those provisions are nonbinding. Linda Segal, 9 Aqueduct Road, expressed concern about the tree trimming undertaken by NStar. She also commented on the poor quality of the sound equipment at the State of the Town meeting. Joe Karbowski, 153 Loker Street, spoke in favor of the High School building project on behalf of the Yes4WHS Steering Committee. F. Turkington reviewed the timeline for the hearings and the vote on the high school project.

A4. Consent Calendar S. Pope moved, seconded by S. Correia, to approve the consent calendar (Warrants TA100509, CA100509 and C1008). YEA: S. Correia, T. Fay, J. Nolan, S. Pope, M. Tichnor. NAY: none. ABSTAIN: none. Adopted 5-0.

A5. Correspondence S. Correia expressed concern about the tree cutting by NStar and suggested the Board adopt a policy for the future. F. Turkington described a meeting with NStar officials regarding the cutting of trees around electrical wires. He noted that NStar has agreed to replace any trees that die due to the trimming; he also said that the Board of Public Works will address the issue at its meeting next week. M. Tichnor commended ILOT (Independent Living Options Taskforce) for its work.

A6. Discussion with Board of Selectmen Representatives to WayCAM Board of Directors Frank Fuller and Jerry Boos, the Selectmen representatives to WayCAM, joined the meeting to address issues of concern to the Board. J. Boos reviewed financial data provided by WayCAM, and said he is satisfied there is no mingling of the operating funds and the capital funds. Participants discussed the Wayland Cable Channel website, the relocation of the studio due to the high school building process, and new innovations, such as portable equipment to broadcast live events and emergency broadcast access for police and fire. J. Nolan asked how the Wayland Channel compares to other towns; F. Fuller said they try to emulate best practices. M. Tichnor emphasized that the Board wants to ensure WayCam operates in a financially responsible manner, and he said it appears to be moving in a positive direction.

A7. Report of the Town Administrator F. Turkington reviewed assignments for the Special Town Meeting articles and the timeline for moving forward. He said there will be a Department Heads meeting tomorrow to brief the staff on the IT strategic planning RFP. He noted there have been no new applicants for the Doran Road Property Advisory Committee; the next milestone date for the committee is October 28, so there is still time to make the appointments. The Board agreed to pursue the proposal offered by Lynch landscaping for the cleanup and restoration of the pond and surrounding property in the town center. F. Turkington reviewed the request from Kopelman and Paige that the Town consent to its representation of the Town of Lincoln in regard to Advanced Life Support Services. The Board discussed the future of advanced life support services and the increase in charges for wastewater fees.

A8. Presentation by Finance Committee on Request for Debt Exclusion Ballot Question for High School Project Sam Peper, Chair, Finance Committee, Finance Committee member David Gutschenritter, and Mike DiPietro, Finance Director, appeared before the Board to present the ballot question for a debt exclusion for the high school project. S. Peper distributed and reviewed a Finance Committee presentation. T. Fay noted that if the town doesn't approve the ballot question within 120 days, the town would lose the 40% reimbursement; the next maximum amount from the state would be only 31%. S. Pope asked if the project could be completed earlier; Lea Anderson, High School Building Committee, said the construction could be done using the "construction manager at risk" technique with the permission of the Inspector General. J. Nolan asked if any alternative sources of funding were being explored, such as private sponsors. L. Anderson said it is unusual for large donors to get involved in public projects. J. Nolan asked about the impact of a change in the town's bond rating; D. Gutschenritter said he would get an answer for the Board.

A9. Review and Discussion of Proposed Amendment to Development Agreement Between the Town and Twenty Wayland LLC F. Turkington reviewed a proposal offered by Twenty Wayland LLC to amend the current development agreement; the Board discussed the benefits and the risks. T. Fay expressed support for the amendment; he said it continues to represent the spirit of the original agreement. S. Pope said she remains committed to the town center project and also supports the amendment. M. Tichnor said the town center project is part of the vision for the town; he said it will improve the property and help to relieve the burden on town taxpayers. S. Correia said it is important to keep the project moving forward. T. Fay moved, seconded by S. Pope, to direct the Town Administrator to prepare an Amendment to the Development Agreement between the Town of Wayland and Twenty Wayland LLC for approval at the next meeting. 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 moved, seconded by M. Tichnor, to consent to the representation of the Town of Lincoln by Kopelman and Paige, P.C., as Special Counsel with respect to review of the Inter-Municipal Agreement for the Provision of Advanced Life Support Services under the conditions set forth in a letter dated September 30, 2009. YEA: S. Correia, T. Fay, J. Nolan, S. Pope, M. Tichnor. NAY: none. ABSTAIN: none. Adopted 5-0. M. Tichnor moved, seconded by S. Pope, to appoint Ellen Tohn to the Energy Initiatives Advisory Committee for a term to expire February 9, 2011. YEA: S. Correia, T. Fay, J. Nolan, S. Pope, M. Tichnor. NAY: none. ABSTAIN: none. Adopted 5-0. The Board discussed appointments to the Doran Road Property Advisory Committee; M. Tichnor said it is important that every member of the committee be open-minded. T. Fay noted that the issue of tree trimming by NStar is on the October 13 agenda of the Board of Public Works. He suggested that the town of Weston be contacted to see if residents had any similar concerns about the extent of the work.

S. Correia asked if the Technology Advisory Group was an official town committee. F. Turkington said it was not, and asked the Board for input as to the proposed structure and goals of such a committee. M. Tichnor said the Board should make time to hear the concerns of town businesses in regard to the adoption of the local option meals excise tax.

T. Fay moved, seconded by S. Pope, to adjourn the meeting of the Board of Selectmen at 9:56 p.m. YEA: S. Correia, T. Fay, J. Nolan, S. Pope, M. Tichnor. NAY: none. ABSTAIN: none. Adopted 5-0.