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Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes May 9, 2011

Attendance: John Bladon, Steven Correia, Thomas Fay, Joseph Nolan, Susan Pope

Also Present: Town Administrator F. Turkington, Secretary M. DiNapoli

Chair T. Fay called the meeting of the Board of Selectmen to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Selectmen's Meeting Room.

A6. Consider and Approve Consent Calendar S. Pope moved, seconded by S. Correia, to approve the consent calendar. YEA: J. Bladon, S. Correia, J. Nolan, S. Pope, T. Fay. NAY: none. ABSTAIN: none. Adopted 5-0.

A2. Public Comment There was no public comment.

A3. Report on Plan for Developing Design of Middle School Fields F. Turkington reviewed the scope and timetable for developing the design of the Middle School Fields. He said considerations will include the input of residents and staff, the impact on wetlands and endangered species, traffic and parking, runoff, fertilizers, irrigation, the use of the fields for science instruction, the adequacy of the buffer, the need to protect potential historic artifacts, and the future of the DPW garage. He said professionals will be hired to answer questions and develop a design that mitigates verified issues. There will be a public forum on May 25 to hear public comment and concerns. He said the next step will be to engage professional designers, get cost estimates, and consult with the Finance Committee to ascertain whether funding will come from community preservation funds, borrowing, or free cash. He said he hopes to have an article ready for the 2012 Annual Town Meeting.

A4. Discussion on Plan to Complete Gale Associates Field Master Plan The Board discussed the Gale Associates Field Master Plan. T. Fay noted the report is on the town website and also available at the library. F. Turkington provided background; he said \$30,000 was appropriated at the 2011 Annual Town Meeting for an expanded study of additional sites not currently under the jurisdiction of the Recreation Commission, and to look at siting a multi-purpose indoor facility. He said Gale Associates will work with the Recreation Commission to update the priorities and match the needs to sites. Michael Lowery, 120 Lakeshore Drive, said one plan was for a field at Dudley Woods. Anthony Christakis, 32 Joyce Road, asked if Cow Commons was available; J. Nolan noted it is conservation land. Edward Miller, 12 Keith Road, expressed concern that all possible properties have not been considered, and said he has been misled about the buffer area at the Middle School field. F. Turkington said the Gale Associates Report used general guidelines only; the land has not been formally surveyed. He also noted that the process is to hear the concerns of the residents, and then address them. A. Christakis asked if the town would consider a zoning bylaw that would create a mandatory buffer zone for fields. He said he does not want a field in a location that is not proper for the neighborhood. T. Fay said these concerns would be more appropriately discussed at the public hearing on May 25.

A5. Update on Status of Municipal Projects F. Turkington provided an update on the status of ongoing municipal projects. He said the Wayland High School is fifty percent complete, and it is ahead of schedule and under budget. T. Fay said the traffic situation is well under control. F. Turkington said the wastewater treatment plant project began in March and is on schedule. In regard to the library and senior center, he said the Library Trustees are working with the Council on Aging, and the preferred option is a combined facility. The Board discussed the issue of the square footage and its placement on the Town Center municipal parcel; it was noted that it may be necessary to consider a town meeting article to increase the square footage slightly. The Board also discussed the ability of such a project to generate activity in the town center, the technological changes in library operations that impact space needs, and the compatibility of the senior and library programming. F. Turkington said the architect is finalizing the drawings for the relocation of the utilities at the Public Safety Building, and the next stage is to bid the project. In regard to the freight house restoration, F. Turkington said that repair work has been engaged, but town funds may need to be expended in the event the current appropriation runs short. T. Fay asked if the building was used for storage. F. Turkington said it is used to store park/recreation equipment and some library property. The Board considered its use as a visitor center along the rail trail. F. Turkington said the Board of Public Works has held public meetings regarding the replacement of the Hannah William Parks Playscape and other planned improvements. He said one goal is to shift the parking for safer egress; some trees will be removed and some will be saved. He said some puddling problems on Glezen Lane will be alleviated with stormwater drainage improvements. In regard to the Route 27/30 intersection, he said the town will change the water main, but the state repair is too far in the future. J. Nolan said the town needs to aggressively lobby for TIP funding and priority placement. F. Turkington said that volunteers for the Permanent Municipal Buildings Committee are being actively recruited, and he hopes to have a schematic design for the Department of Public Works Facility late in the fall. The Board discussed the declining state of the current facility and emphasized the need to move quickly on this project. F. Turkington reviewed the plan for moving the sidewalk and gate for the Children's Way at the town building in order to make it safer for the children to get across the driveway to the playscape. J. Nolan asked about the improvements to the town beach house; F. Turkington said the drainage work will be done soon, but the remaining improvements will not be done for this season.

A7. Review Correspondence J. Bladon noted the number of accidents and fires reported in the monthly report of the fire department, and commended the department for their quick reaction. J. Nolan thanked the firefighters for their relief efforts in Alabama. T. Fay read a statement from the Board of Selectmen in response to the ruling from the Attorney General regarding an open meeting law violation. F. Turkington said the police will be conducting a training exercise on the former Raytheon site on Wednesday. He noted that he had provided information on the status of Sherman's Bridge to the Town Crier, and he said the Public Ceremonies Committee has begun planning for the Memorial Day Parade and has invited the Board of Selectmen.

A8. Report of the Town Administrator F. Turkington reviewed the meetings of the energy initiative teams, and said there will be a design charette on Friday to iron out the terms of a draft agreement. He said he attended a meeting at the State House on May 5 regarding legislation that would allow towns to invest OPEB trust funds with the comparable state fund. He said the Operational Review Committee meets on Thursday, and again on Monday with the school staff. He said that Health Director Steve Calichman has announced his retirement effective June 30, and he reviewed upcoming agenda items. The Board reviewed and approved a draft opinion piece regarding the Town Center and the sewer connection permit.

A9. Selectmen's Reports and Concerns J. Nolan said he would like the Board to meet with the DPW and the Recreation Commission again to keep the dialogue active. S. Pope commended the DPW for the ongoing roadwork, and she thanked the Boy Scouts for the fence that they built on conservation land. She reminded residents that the next Selectmen office hours will be Saturday, May 14, 2011, from 10:00 p.m. to 11:15 a.m. at the Transfer Station. J. Bladon disputed a letter in the Town Crier claiming that the current fireboxes are adequate; he said the current system is based on telegraph technology and needs to be updated to modern standards for the safety of the residents. S. Correia reported on a meeting of the Town Meeting Procedures Subcommittee. He said the Town Moderator, Dennis Berry, may continue the committee, but not on a regular basis. He asked to have the Bow Road issue on the agenda soon. T. Fay said he is meeting with a group of residents to improve recycling, and he asked about the status of the rail trail land. J. Nolan said the land is licensed to the DCR (Department of Conservation and Recreation), which is looking to oversee the entire project.

A10. Executive Session At 8:40 p.m., S. Pope moved, seconded by J. Bladon, that the Board of Selectmen go into executive session pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 30A, Section 21(a)(2) to conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with non-union personnel or to conduct contract negotiations with non-union personnel. Chair T. Fay declared that discussion of strategy with respect to the employment agreement with the Town Administrator may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the Town. YEA: J. Bladon, S. Correia, J. Nolan, S. Pope, T. Fay. NAY: none. ABSTAIN: none. Adopted 5-0. The Board invited Town Administrator Fred Turkington to attend and participate in the executive session, and Executive Assistant MaryAnn DiNapoli to attend and record the minutes. The Board will return to open session in approximately 30 minutes for the sole purpose of adjourning.

The Board returned to open session at 9:33 p.m.

T. Fay moved, seconded by J. Bladon, to adjourn the meeting of the Board of Selectmen at 9:33 p.m. YEA: J. Bladon, S. Correia, J. Nolan, S. Pope, T. Fay. NAY: none. ABSTAIN: none. Adopted 5-0.

Items Distributed For Use by the Board of Selectmen at the May 9, 2011 Meeting

1. DRAFT op-ed piece regarding Town Center and sewer connection permit for publication in the Thursday, May 6, 2011 editions of the Wayland Town Crier
2. DRAFT minutes of public forum held on December 7, 2010 regarding the Loker Conservation and Recreation Area



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Also Present: Town Administrator F. Turkington, Secretary M. DiNapoli

Purpose: The session was called at 8:40 p.m. in the Selectmen's Meeting Room, Wayland Town Building, by unanimous roll call vote (5-0) in open session as permitted by M.G.L. Chapter 30A, Section 23(a)(3) to discuss strategy with respect to the employment agreement with the Town Administrator and collective bargaining with the Library Association because an open session may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the Town.

Discussion: The Board reviewed with F. Turkington the renewal of his employment agreement. They discussed the range of a possible salary increase, options such as deferred compensation and a vehicle allowance, and the provision of a performance-based increase.

F. Turkington left the session at 9:02 p.m. The Board reviewed the options for the renewal of his employment agreement.

The Board returned to open session at 9:33 p.m.

Adjourn: By motion of J. Nolan, seconded by S. Pope, the Board, by roll call vote, unanimously voted to exit executive session at 9:33 p.m.