## TOWN OF WAYLAND



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BOARD OF SELECTMEN
JOHN BLADON
STEVEN J. CORREIA
THOMAS J. FAY
JOSEPH F. NOLAN
SUSAN W. POPE

Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes February 14, 2011

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

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

Chair S. Correia called the meeting of the Board of Selectmen to order at 7:04 p.m. in the Selectmen's Meeting Room and reviewed the agenda for the public. F. Turkington said the Town Building will be closed for Presidents Day on February 21, and the next meeting of the Board of Selectmen will be Monday, February 28.

**A2. Public Comment** Gary Slep, 40 Jeffrey Road, suggested that one solution to the perceived equity problem in the water rates would be to transfer the debt for the Baldwin Pond facility to the town side as part of the capital budget, and include it in the real estate assessments. He said a benefit of this solution would be the ability of residents to claim the expense as a deduction on their Schedule A tax return form.

A3. Finance Committee to Present Recommendation for Debt Exclusion Ballot Question for Athletic Field Planning and Development and School Technology Cherry Karlson, Chair, Finance Committee, appeared before the Board to present the debt exclusion items in the capital budget, which include \$500,000 for the development of athletic fields at the Middle school, \$30,000 to fund a feasibility plan for athletic fields on the Old Connecticut Path portion of Greenways, and \$350,000 for school technology. She said the maturing debt is being replaced with a smaller amount of debt for an average reduction to residents of approximately \$20 per year. She noted the Finance Committee has recommended a single question, and will make a full presentation to the Board before its vote on February 28.

**A4.** Update on Finance Committee Proposed FY2012 Operating and Capital Budget C. Karlson reviewed for the Board the proposed FY2012 operating and capital budget. She said the total capital budget for FY12 is \$4.815 million, and she reviewed the details of the presentation made by the Finance Committee on February 7. The Board discussed moving computer purchases from capital to operating expenses, the reduction in the utility costs, and the impact of contract negotiations. C. Karlson said there is no override for FY12, and the Finance Committee does not project an override in FY13. F. Turkington said the original capital request of \$1.8 million from the Board of Public Works was reduced to \$250,000 for a feasibility study. T. Fay suggested the formation of a DPW Garage Building Advisory Committee, and asked F. Turkington to draft a charge for the next meeting. He also noted that there was no cost to the town for the new community pool, which provides a great service to the residents.

**A5. Discussion on 2011 Annual Town Meeting Warrant Articles** S. Pope said the Town Meeting Procedures Committee would not support the article, "Establish a Consent Calendar at Town Meeting," at this time, and recommended that the article be pulled. J. Nolan described his conversation with Linda Segal, lead petitioner for the article, "Appropriate MtBE Settlement Funds for Water Projects," and noted she could not be present for the meeting tonight. He said L. Segal made the following points: that the article should be placed before the omnibus budget article, that this is a way to fund her priority, and that

the residents should have an opportunity to vote. J. Nolan said he felt the funds should go through the normal budget process. F. Turkington said the project is already being funded, and the proper procedure for petitioners would be to make a motion during the budget article to fund the project with free cash instead of debt. If town meeting does not amend the budget, the Moderator should rule the article out of order. The Board agreed with the merits of the project, but did not feel additional free cash should be encumbered. T. Fay asked if L. Segal will speak in favor of capital spending on the Route 27/30 intersection, and if she is aware of anyone who will speak against it. F. Turkington said one of her concerns is that there is a higher threshold (2/3 vote) for debt. J. Bladon said the article circumvents the operating and capital process by favoring one project to the detriment of others, and limits the ability of the Finance Committee to allocate funds appropriately.

**A6.** Order 2011 Annual Town Meeting Warrant Articles F. Turkington presented a draft order of the final Annual Town Meeting articles for the warrant. T. Fay moved, seconded by S. Pope, insert the articles as presented into the 2011 Annual Town Meeting warrant. YEA: J. Bladon, S. Correia, J. Nolan, S. Pope, T. Fay. NAY: none. ABSTAIN: none. Adopted 5-0.

- 1. Recognize Citizens and Employees for Particular Service to the Town
- 2. Hear Reports
- 3. Choose Town Officers
- 4. Pay Previous Fiscal Year Unpaid Bills
- 5. Current Year Transfers
- 6. FY 2012 Omnibus Budget
- 7. Appropriation of MtBE Litigation Settlement Monies for Water Main Improvement in Cochituate
- 8. Restatement of FY2011 School Department Budget
- 9. Compensation for Town Clerk
- 10. Personnel Bylaws and Wage and Classification Plan
- 11. Sell or Trade Vehicles and Equipment
- 12. Accept Gifts of Land
- 13. Accept Law Increasing Real Estate Tax Exemption Amounts
- 14. Set Aside Community Preservation Funds for Later Spending
- 15. Preservation and Digitizing of Historic Records
- 16. Adopt Bylaw Allowing User Fee Bills to be Sent with Property Tax Bills
- 17. Acquire Town of Sudbury's Interest in Septage Facility
- 18. Amend Special Act Establishing Department of Public Works by Merging Wastewater Management District Commission with Board of Public Works
- 19. Zoning Recodification Bylaw
- 20. Amend Zoning Bylaw Updated Federal Floodplain Overlay District Map
- 21. Amend Zoning Bylaw Site Plan Approval Requirement for Educational and Religions Uses
- 22. Sale of Town-owned Land at 24 and 26 Lakeshore Drive
- 23. Authorize Local Voting Rights for Permanent Resident Aliens Residing in Wayland
- 24. Amend Youth Advisory Committee Membership and Length and Effective Dates of Terms
- 25. Water Rate Structure Equity

**A7. Consider and Approve Consent Calendar** T. Fay moved, seconded by J. Nolan, to approve the consent calendar. YEA: J. Bladon, S. Correia, J. Nolan, S. Pope, T. Fay. NAY: none. ABSTAIN: none. Adopted 5-0.

- **A8. Review Correspondence** J. Nolan noted the Glezen Lane traffic data; F. Turkington said there has been a significant increase in weekend travel even without town center, and the settlement may have to be amended to reflect this. S. Pope noted the praise received by Ellen Brideau, Assessing Director. She also said that she can facilitate meetings with the new Middlesex Sheriff, Peter Koutoujian. T. Fay asked for an update on the Public Safety Building Advisory Committee. F. Turkington said two of the members have toured the building, and they will be meeting with the consultant and providing suggestions within the next few weeks. The Board discussed the cost of moving the critical systems out of the basement, and the positive impact of extending the life of the building and improving its efficiency and cost effectiveness. J. Nolan commended John Moynihan for his oversight of town buildings.
- A9. Report of the Town Administrator F. Turkington reviewed the schedule for Selectmen's office hours on March 5, and advised the Board of two DLTA shared services grants for the transfer station pilot program and a shared natural gas fueling depot. He presented the schedule of legislative breakfasts sponsored by the Massachusetts Municipal Association, and reviewed the agenda for upcoming Selectmen meetings. He said the Dudley Area Advisory Committee has not yet been able to schedule a meeting with all nine members, and is currently planning to meet on either February 22 or 28; he said he is working on a draft RFP with the Town Planner. The Economic Development Committee will meet on Wednesday and will then come before the Board with a report. The Recreation Commission and the Board of Public Works will meet on March 21 to discuss fields and facilities going forward. He said the Wastewater Management District Commission will meet with the Board before the Annual Town Meeting to discuss the merger with the DPW; the projected transfer date is July 2012. He suggested that the boards meet quarterly in the meantime to make the transition smoother. Gary Slep, 40 Jeffrey Road, asked if the Pelham Island Bridge project was going to bid; F. Turkington told him to consult with the Town Planner.

J. Nolan moved, seconded by J. Bladon, to adjourn the meeting of the Board of Selectmen at 8:40 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 February 14, 2011 Meeting:

- 1. Emails of 2/14/11 between Peggy Patton and the Electronic Voting Implementation Subcommittee re: Special Room Needed
- 2. Powerpoint Presentation by Finance Committee, February 7, 2011, "Proposed FY2012 Omnibus Budget"