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BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes February 13, 2012

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

Also Present: Town Administrator Fred 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 and reviewed the agenda for the viewing public. The Board recessed and convened in the Large Hearing Room to hear the FY2013 Budget Presentation by the Finance Committee.

The Board reconvened its regular meeting in Selectmen's Meeting Room at 7:50 p.m.

A2. Public Comment Rebecca Butler, 100 West Plain Street, expressed concern about the proposed development at Danforth; she said the Board should wait for a decision from the Framingham Planning Board before making any concessions to the developer regarding mitigation.

A3. Consider and Approve Consent Calendar S. Pope moved, seconded by J. Bladon, to approve the consent calendar. YEA: J. Bladon, S. Correia, T. Fay, J. Nolan, S. Pope. NAY: none. ABSTAIN: none. Adopted 5-0.

A4. Discussion with Representatives of Minuteman Regional Vocational Technical High School Administration and School Committee on Article Establishing Stabilization Fund and Capital Funding Needs The Board was joined by Minuteman Superintendent-Director Dr. Edward Bouquillon, Minuteman Director of Business and Operations Camie Lamica, and Chair of the Minuteman School Committee Alice DeLuca. Also present were MaryEllen Castagno, the Wayland representative to Minuteman, and Ford Spalding, Chair of the Minuteman Building Committee. The Board reviewed the Minuteman FY13 budget and the stabilization fund for capital repairs. E. Bouquillon said that although they are in the pipeline for MSBA funds for a new school building, there are repairs that must be done immediately. He said the current funding source, the excess inefficiency account, is limited and not as accessible as a stabilization fund. He needs the approval of nine towns, and they have received approval from seven to date. C. Lamica described the process for moving funds into the stabilization fund; she said it must be approved by two-thirds of the members. The Board discussed the impact of the financial burden on member towns and the lack of assessments on non-member towns. E. Bouquillon described the difficulties in raising revenue and the constraints of the state regulations; he agreed that the current system is not sustainable. S. Pope suggested that they reach to state legislators and the Department of Education. J. Nolan said the issue is that member towns do not want to bear the burden of nonmember towns; he said he supports the stabilization fund but not the buildout of the new school. J. Bladon noted the increasing percentage of students that are out of the district. T. Fay said that M. Castagno has expressed frustration with getting timely information; E. Bouquillon said the school makes every effort to provide requested information. Participants reviewed the timeline and objectives of school building committee. The Board also discussed options such as incorporating technical training into the town schools, or marketing the Minuteman Regional School in such a way that it will raise the interest level of the students. F. Spalding advised the

Board that the Town of Wayland needs to make an appointment to the Minuteman School Building Committee. T. Fay thanked the Minuteman guests for their good work.

A5. Action Relative to Committees S. Correia moved, seconded by J. Bladon, to approve the modification to the mission statement of the Cable Advisory Committee as follows: under the Implementation of the Cable Advisory Committee's Mission, bullet point four, delete "and the Town's Municipal Area Network;" and bullet item six, delete the word "monitors" and add "provides advice, as requested by the BoS, with respect to the condition and operation of the Town's Municipal Area Network to the extent it is used for the provision of video returns from designated municipal and school sites to WayCAM's studio." YEA: J. Bladon, S. Correia, T. Fay, J. Nolan, S. Pope. NAY: none. ABSTAIN: none. Adopted 5-0.

J. Nolan moved, seconded by S. Pope, to approve the establishment of a temporary advisory committee to be known as the Town Center Public Green Design Advisory Committee to advise the Board of Selectmen, Planning Board, Recreation Commission, Board of Public Works, Permanent Municipal Building Committee, Finance Committee and any other interested Town departments or committees on the design, amenities and layout of the town green at the Wayland Town Center. The temporary advisory committee will consider potential uses, amenities and equipment that might be placed on or adjacent to the town green to enhance the cultural, recreational, and aesthetic qualities of the Town Center development, and make recommendations as to placement, spacing, timing and layout of such improvements to the town green. The committee shall be comprised of five (5) appointed by and serving at the pleasure of the Board of Selectmen, with preference given to individuals with professional expertise in landscape architecture, recreation, and development. The Board will consider the recommendations of the Planning Board, Recreation Commission and Board of Public Works in making the appointments. The committee shall make an interim report to the Board of Selectmen by June 14, 2012. YEA: J. Bladon, S. Correia, T. Fay, J. Nolan, S. Pope. NAY: none. ABSTAIN: none. Adopted 5-0.

J. Bladon moved, seconded by S. Pope, that the 375 Anniversary Commemoration Committee ("the 375 Committee") appoint a subcommittee consisting of: John E. Beard, of 194 Glezen Lane, Diane G. Blaci, of 16 Ellie Lane, C. Peter R. Gossels, of 32 Hampshire Road, Elaine F. Gossels, of 17 Bennett Road, Devens Hamlen, of 69 Old Connecticut Path, Cile Hicks; of 5 Wildwood Road, Chris Jenny, of 14 Moore Road, Robert S. Johnson, of 9 Brandywyne Street, Robert Mainer, of 45 Hillside Street, Charlotte Russell, of 105 Pelham Island Road, Bruce Schwogler, of 99 Lake Road Terrace, Mary R. (Molly) Upton, of 23 Bayfield Road, to serve as members of the 375 Anniversary Commemoration Finance Subcommittee ("Finance Subcommittee"). The aforesaid Finance Subcommittee, under the chairmanship of the Treasurer of the 375 Committee, shall advise and assist the 375 Committee on financial issues, including, budgeting, fundraising, and the disbursement of funds. YEA: J. Bladon, S. Correia, T. Fay, J. Nolan, S. Pope. NAY: none. ABSTAIN: none. Adopted 5-0.

A6. Review Correspondence The Board reviewed the week's correspondence. J. Bladon said the NStar tree trimming policy seems reasonable, and the public should be kept advised. S. Correia suggested that Twenty Wayland, LLC, be approached to fund a project manager for the intersection project. T. Fay said he is talking with Frank Dougherty, KGI Properties, about meeting with boards and committees in the spring. J. Nolan asked about cleaning up the trailers at the Stonebridge project. S. Pope said she will attend the upcoming Local Emergency Planning Committee meeting.

A7. Discussion on 2012 Annual Town Meeting Articles The Board reviewed the status of the 2012 Annual Town Meeting articles. F. Turkington noted that petitioner George Harris is considering a revision to

the article regarding tax rate hearings, and the petitioner for the elimination of the CPA tax has decided to reduce the tax via a town meeting article rather than pursue a ballot question. The Board reviewed the order of the articles. S. Pope moved, seconded by S. Correia, to accept the order of the warrant articles as presented, with one change: that the article, "Appropriate Funds to Study Teacher Compensation" be moved immediately after the article, "FY 2013 Omnibus Budget." YEA: J. Bladon, S. Correia, T. Fay, J. Nolan, S. Pope. NAY: none. ABSTAIN: none. Adopted 5-0.

A8. Report of the Town Administrator F. Turkington updated the Board on the wastewater litigation; he said that engineers are exploring alternative and supplemental discharge points that could be permitted, but not constructed unless necessary, to lessen the impact on Twenty Wayland. He said that he and T. Fay will meet with Twenty Wayland to discuss improving communication regarding the intersection construction at Routes 126 and 27. He provided a summary of the current public records requests. The Board agreed to hold Selectmen hours at Mel's Commonwealth Café on March 3 from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. F. Turkington updated the Board on the status of the warrant and reviewed upcoming agendas.

A9. Selectmen's Reports and Concerns J. Bladon said enhanced financial reports will be posted soon on the website; he said it will show residents that the Board is paying attention and making conscientious decisions toward transparency and accountability. F. Turkington said he received a letter from Roy MacDowell, the developer of the Danforth Green Housing project, about mitigation revisions to the settlement agreement. He said Rebecca Butler would speak with the Board later in the evening about the petitioners' article at the 2003 Annual Town Meeting regarding pedestrian and traffic safety. F. Turkington said that the developer is looking for an indication from the town as to what level of mitigation would be acceptable. The Board agreed there is room for discussion, although T. Fay said that negotiation is premature. J. Nolan said the Board needs more information. T. Fay said the Board needs to reach out to the neighborhood, and he suggested that the Town Planner consult with the Framingham Planning Board. Anette Lewis, 33 Claypit Hill Road, said the previous traffic study for the proposed 525 units is still valid, as the traffic impact will be the same. J. Nolan noted the retirement of Police Sergeant Richard Manley. S. Pope said Parmenter Community Health Care wants to put a sign at Traditions to publicize their hospice; F. Turkington referred them to the Town Planner. S. Correia said he has received feedback that the off-site participation in board and committee meetings is not working, and he reminded board and committee members that the chair is responsible for the proper implementation of the procedure. T. Fay asked for an update on the Pelham Island Bridge project; F. Turkington said the details are on the town website. The Board appointed S. Correia to be the town representative to the Minuteman Regional High School Building Committee. S. Correia asked that staff report on the possibility of identifying Wayland residents returning from military service in Iraq and Afghanistan so they could be recognized and thanked for their service. S. Pope recognized Kenya Heard, a Wayland High School senior who was a first-place winner in a national essay contest sponsored by the SIFMA Foundation on the topic of long-range financial planning. J. Bladon updated the Board on the implementation of the financial management reports agreed upon at the previous meeting. The target completion date is the end of March.

Status on Revisions to Settlement Agreement Relative to Danforth Green Housing Development, Old Connecticut Path in Framingham Rebecca Butler responded to questions concerning the material presented during public comment. She agreed that the town meeting votes in 2003 were superseded by the litigation settlement terms. Discussion ensued as to the information needed to negotiate a modification of the settlement with Baystone Development. It was the unanimous consensus of the Board to express a willingness to negotiate a reduced settlement reflective of the reduced scope of the project, but requested

additional data including traffic studies and support for the various mitigation measures contained in the settlement agreement.

A7. Discussion on 2012 Annual Town Meeting Articles, Discussion with Petitioners on Article to Change Mode of Selection of Finance Committee and Budget Preparation and Review Process

Lead petitioners Donna Bouchard and George Harris presented a draft modification of the petitioner's article to modify the mode of selection of the Finance Committee. The revision would require the election of all seven members of the Finance Committee, beginning at the 2013 town election as the terms of the current members expire so that the entire committee would be elected by 2015. The revised article drops the language that would change the budget preparation and review process. Discussion ensued as to the benefits of electing rather than appointing the committee. D. Bouchard said that 25% of the towns in the state have an elected Finance Committee, assenting that the vast majority are appointed but generally by the Moderator. She believes elected members would be more responsive to taxpayer interests, and stated that there is no diversity of thought because the members almost always agree with the selectmen who appoint them. T. Fay reminded petitioner's that the Selectmen are elected, that Finance Committee members are also taxpayers, and that there is general agreement on fiscal policy. T. Fay read a portion of a Department of Revenue report stating that it recommended appointed positions to improve professionalism. Petitioners countered that the recommendation referenced employee positions such as treasurer and assessor. J. Nolan noted the outstanding backgrounds and experience of the current appointed members that would likely be lost with elected members. He questioned the wisdom of having members worried about re-election when the focus of the Finance Committee is long-range planning.

A10. Topics Not Reasonably Anticipated by the Chair 48 Hours in Advance of the Meeting, If Any

T. Fay said there were no additional topics.

A11. Adjourn There being no further business before the Board, J. Bladon moved, seconded by S. Pope, to adjourn the meeting of the Board of Selectmen at 11:03 p.m. YEA: J. Bladon, S. Correia, T. Fay, J. Nolan, S. Pope. NAY: none. ABSTAIN: none. Adopted 5-0.

Items Distributed For Use by the Board of Selectmen at the February 13, 2012 Meeting

1. Minuteman School Committee presentation materials on FY2013 budget, enrollment and assessment information.
2. Minuteman School Committee summary of stabilization fund creation, revenues and expenditures.
3. Public comment by Rebecca Butler, 100 West Plain Street, including 2003 and 2005 town meeting actions relative to Danforth Green proposal and traffic mitigation on West Plain Street and Old Connecticut Path.
4. Proposed Order of Articles for 2012 Annual Town Meeting Warrant (DRAFT 2-6-12).
5. Email dated February 8, 2012 from George Harris to Susan Rufo, together with proposed revision to tax rate hearing petitioner's article.