

WAYLAND BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

Wayland Town Building

January 13, 2015

7:00 PM

MEETING MINUTES

M. Lowery (Chair), C. Brown, B. Goldsmith, J. Mishara (Left at 8:45), M. Wegerbauer, S. Kadlik (Director)

Meeting opened at 7:00 PM

(Lowery announced that the meeting is being videotaped)

Lowery opened the meeting with a review of the agenda.

Lowery announced that he is resigning as Chair of the Board of Public Works, and requested that Vice Chair Brown consider the Chair.

Lowery made a motion that he resign his position as Chair to take the role of Vice Chair, with current Vice Chair Brown elevated to the role of Chair.

Mishara 2nd, all in favor.

Kadlik noted that Don Millett has been hired as Water Division Superintendent, and will begin work on February 3, 2015.

Lowery asked for public comment.

Public Comment

Woody Baston of 11 Cochituate expressed his concern with the Board's potential conveyance of the River's Edge property. He expressed his concern over the additional costs that will be incurred by the Town if the land is lost as a storage and staging area for the DPW.

Baston also discussed his support for the installation of a sidewalk on Old Sudbury Road between the Depot and the Town Center Entrance.

Tom Sciacca of 31 Rolling Lane noted his support of the hiring of Don Millett as DPW Water Superintendent.

Sciacca discussed the status of the drainage system of the turf field and related his own observations of the drainage system to the Board.

Sciacca discussed the status of the landfill access road appeal and expressed his concerns for the potential usage of the road.

Discuss Town Meeting Articles and Endorsements

WFD – Private Hydrant Bylaw

Fire Chief Vincent Smith appeared before the Board to discuss the proposed bylaw requiring the testing, maintenance, and repair of private hydrants.

Smith noted that the proposed bylaw states that the owner of the property would be responsible for conducting yearly tests on the hydrant, with a flow test conducted every fifth year.

Smith requested that the first testing be conducted in April 2015, with results forwarded to the Fire Department by July 2015.

Wegerbauer asked if the Fire Department would maintain the records and have the responsibility of inspecting the hydrants.

Smith replied that the Fire Department would maintain the records and reserve the right to inspect the hydrants.

Kadlik expressed his support of the proposed bylaw.

The Board discussed the potential co-sponsorship of the article.

Goldsmith made a motion that the Board sponsor or cosponsor the article.

Brown 2nd, all in favor.

River's Edge Property

Discuss DPW Replacement Facilities for Current Uses

Kadlik distributed a list of current uses of the River's Edge Parcel and discussed it with the Board.

Wegerbauer asked how much storage space is needed for the DPW to continue to function as it is now.

Park Superintendent Michael Lindeman responded that a minimum of two acres if material currently stored is to be hauled out, but four acres would be needed to maintain the current levels of storage.

Lowery noted that the list is a good starting point, and the list should be forwarded to both the Board of Selectmen and the River's Edge Advisory Committee.

Discuss Terms of Conveyance of Parcels to the BoS

Mishara asked if only part of the land could be conveyed with a portion retained for DPW use.

Lowery distributed a draft of the motion that the Board would need to make to convey the land.

Discuss Town Meeting Articles and Endorsements

Planning – Sidewalk from the Depot to the Town Center Entrance

Lowery discussed the status of a potential article funding the installation of a sidewalk from the Depot to the Town Center Entrance.

Lowery noted that the intent was for the Town Planner to draft an article, but it has not yet been drafted.

Kadlik noted that it is his recommendation that the \$75,000 currently earmarked be used to construct the sidewalk, with the remainder funded through Chapter 90.

Colleen Sheehan, of 16 Spring Hill and Chair of the Planning Board, noted that the Planning Board does not typically request capital items, as was noted at a Board of Public Works meeting in October.

Gretchen Schuler, of 126 Old Connecticut Path and Chair of the Historic District Commission, appeared before the Board to discuss the status of the sidewalk.

Schuler noted that she would submit a petitioner's article if a Board article would not be submitted.

Brown noted that in his opinion, the article would stand the best chance of passing as a petitioner's article submitted by Schuler, rather than one from the DPW.

Lowery noted that he had a conversation with Selectman Joe Nolan, who encouraged the Board of Public Works to progress with the sidewalk installation, which the Board of Selectmen would co-sponsor.

Kadlik noted that if Chapter 90 funding is used, the project would be completed much sooner than if funded is sought through an article at Town meeting.

Lowery made a motion that the Board authorizes Kadlik to utilize Chapter 90 funding in addition to the \$75,000 gifted to allow the sidewalk to be completed as designed.

Mishara 2nd.

Mishara, Lowery, Brown, and Wegerbauer in favor; Goldsmith abstain.

Rt27/Rt30 Intersection Takings

The Board discussed the draft of the article for Route 27 / Route 30 Intersection takings.

Wegerbauer made a motion to approve the article draft with details to be added at a later date.

Lowery 2nd, all in favor.

Wegerbauer made a motion to amend the Capital Budget to increase the Budget for the Landfill Access Road from \$100,000 to \$200,000.

Mishara 2nd, all in favor.

Lowery discussed the status of the Historical Commission article to rehabilitate half of Stone Bridge.

Brown noted that discussion should be withheld until the Board is approached by the Historical Commission.

Lowery noted that he will convey the Board's desire to have a discussion about the status of Stone Bridge with the Historical Commission.

Discussion on the Implementation of a DPW Facebook Page

Joe Doucette, DPW Foreman, and Dan Cabral, DPW Office Administrator, appeared before the Board to discuss the potential implementation of a DPW Facebook page.

Lowery made a motion to support the implementation of the DPW Facebook Page.

Mishara 2nd, all in favor.

Discussion of Water Billing Effects if Meters are not Read in Close to 6-Month Cycles

Lowery asked if the DPW office could be given the authority to make corrections to bills affected by extended billing cycles.

Lowery noted that there is currently a policy in place allowing the office to grant abatements for administrative purposes.

Brown made a motion to allow the office to correct bills subject to extended billing cycles as necessary, with the correction not to exceed \$2000.

Lowery 2nd, all in favor.

Review of 2015 DPW Road Resurfacing Program

Kadlik discussed the roads scheduled for resurfacing in 2015 and the source of funding for each.

Lowery asked about the status of Pelham Island Road.

Kadlik responded that Pelham Island Road will be a major project costing approximately \$2M, and suggested that funding for its reconstruction be sought separately.

The Board discussed the status of the funding of future road resurfacing projects.

Wegerbauer made a motion to accept the Road Resurfacing Plan as Submitted.

Brown 2nd, all in favor.

DPW Director's Operational Report

Kadlik provided the Board with an agenda for the upcoming Tata & Howard Meeting on the status of Town water infrastructure projects.

Kadlik discussed the status of the recent water main breaks on Dudley Road and Hawthorne Road.

Kadlik updated the Board on the Route 30 / East Plain / School Street intersection and raised the possibility of making the changes permanent.

Kadlik noted the lights at West Plain and Old Connecticut Path are installed and are scheduled to become operational on 1/26/15.

Brown asked Kadlik his opinion on the construction of the intersection.

Kadlik noted that he was not happy with several aspects of the construction and that the issues will be rectified in the spring at no cost to the Town.

Kadlik noted that the Transfer Station reconstruction is complete and discussed the overall project with the Board.

Kadlik updated the Board on the Glezen Lane Traffic Calming Settlement, noting that the most recent discussions cannot be disclosed as they occurred in Executive Session with the Board of Selectmen.

Lowery asked Kadlik about the status of the Town's playgrounds.

Kadlik noted that the DPW did a visual inspection; concerns were raised to the School Department, and are in the process of being rectified.

Kadlik noted that the Lead and Zinc sample results from the Town's all looked good.

Lowery asked Kadlik about the status of the artificial turf field drainage study.

Kadlik noted that he has been in discussion with the contractor to get her the information she needs to complete the project.

Goldsmith asked when the turf field is due to be replaced.

Lindeman replied that the fields do not have a definitive life expectancy, but would likely need replacement after 10-15 years.

Board Members' Reports, Concerns, and Updates

Status of Landfill Access Road Appeal

Lowery asked Sciacca if an action was filed in Superior Court.

Sciacca replied that there was not.

MAPC-Developed Model Groundwater Protection Bylaw & Regulations

Lowery noted that the Town has not extensively codified its stormwater bylaws, and suggested that bylaws be reviewed.

Lowery discussed the status of the \$2.5M environmental bond bill, noting that further investigation revealed that the \$2.5M had already been earmarked to provide water and sewer to River's Edge.

Goldsmith expressed his opinion that the Board meet with the Board of Selectmen and the Town Administrator to see if the \$2.5M could instead be used to fund water infrastructure improvements.

Brown noted that the funding exists solely to fund the installation of water and sewer service to the proposed River's Edge development, and expressed his doubt that the funds could be diverted for other projects.

Sciacca added that the State's goal of the environmental bond bill was to fund upgrades to the water infrastructure throughout the State.

Lowery noted that the Planning Board had a series of Zoning Articles it was going to propose, but have since withdrawn those articles until further vetting and discussion.

Brown noted that the new DPW Facility is progressing, and although it is approximately one month behind schedule, it is considerably under budget.

Wegerbauer asked if there is a major gas line crossing the Rivers Edge Property.

Kadlik replied that there is not.

Wegerbauer asked about the status of the temporary ice rinks.

Kadlik replied that there are no plans to install the ice rinks this year due to cost and labor constraints.

The Board discussed potential options for public skating locations.

Wegerbauer requested that a discussion of options for public skating rinks be placed on the January 27, 2015 Board agenda.

Goldsmith asked if there is any update on the status of hiring a Town Engineer.

Lowery noted that he has spoken with HR Director John Senchyshyn, and there has been no additional action.

Lowery added he will request that the Personnel Board provide notification when any further action takes place.

Topics Not Reasonably Anticipated by the Chair 48 hours Prior to Posting

Lowery discussed NSTAR's recent notification of their intent to conduct Vegetation Management in Town, and noted that he did not see any concerns pertaining to the Board.

Lowery requested that the document and map be placed on the website.

Review and Approve Minutes

Goldsmith noted that Brown should be listed as being in attendance.

Brown made a motion to approve the minutes of the 12/17/2014 minutes as amended.

Wegerbauer 2nd

All in Favor

Mishara made a motion to adjourn.

Goldsmith 2nd, all in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 10:08 PM.