

TOWN OF WAYLAND

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> Finance Committee John Bladon Cherry C. Karlson Paul Grasso Dave Gutschenritter Robert L. Lentz Sam H. Peper Richard M. Stack

Finance Committee Meeting Minutes February 1, 2010

Attendance: D. Gutschenritter, C. Karlson, P. Grasso, S. Peper, J. Bladon, R. Stack Absent: B. Lentz Also present: Finance Director, M. DiPietro

The Finance Committee's Annual Town Meeting Warrant Article Hearing was called to order at 7:10PM in the Large Hearing Room at Town Building.

Sam Peper gave an overview of the process and then proceed to ask for explanation and comments/questions on each article.

- 1. Recognize Citizens Standard.
- 2. Hear Reports Standard.
- 3. Choose Town Officers Standard. Anette Lewis asked why the language on Article 3 was not as detailed as that in Article 1 and requested that it be so.
- 4. Current Year Transfers Standard.
- 5. FY11 Budget Standard.
- 6. Wastewater Standard.
- 7. Pay Previous Fiscal Year Bills Standard. None known at this time.
- 8. Sell or Trade Vehicles Standard.
- 9. Accept Gifts of Land Standard. None known at this time.
- 10. Set Aside CPA Funds Standard. Reduced amounts are reflective of lower state matching funds.
- 11. Personnel Bylaws Standard.
- 12. Increasing RE Tax Exemptions Standard.
- 13. Compensation for Town Clerk Standard.
- 14. Establish Municipal Affordable Housing Trust Fund Fred Turkington explained that this is identical to the article included and passed over at November 2009 STM.
- 15. Routes 30 and 27 Intersection –Anette Lewis stated that the article did not include or identify all four parcels. Sarki Sarkisian, town planner, noted that this is an expansion of an article passed over at November 2009 STM and they are working to include all four corners.
- 16. Amend Zoning Bylaws re: renewable energy This article was passed over at November 2009 STM. Anette Lewis stated that there has been no public comment or hearing or attempt to identify the cost. Sarki noted that the Planning Board will hold a hearing on all Planning Board articles.
- 17. Acquire Sudbury's Interest in Septage Facility: Fred gave an overview of this article and said an appraisal is in process.

- 18. School Technology This article is being discussed with the SC for inclusion in the capital budget.
- 19. Amend Town Code re: DPW Fred explained that this corrects references to former boards/titles to DPW. Jerry Heller, CPC, stated that he does not support the DPW being part of the CPC. Anna Meliones stated there was no notice to involved boards. Linda Segal noted that the text of the article was submitted after the warrant deadline with substantive changes.
- 20. Electronic Voting at Town Meeting Ira Sager presented. Jerry Heller asked about leasing equipment, and Lynne Dunbrack inquired about cost sharing with other towns. FinCom requested coordination with the Moderator and BoS efforts.
- 21. Amend/Expand Refuse Disposal District Sarki explained that the definition needs to be changed to allow school buses to park at the landfill. Anette Lewis suggested that the language be limited to vehicles for town use and to consider limiting parking to a portion of the parcel.
- 22. Change Format of Town Meeting Mark Greenlaw gave a brief overview of his article. FinCom asked for coordination with the Moderator and BoS efforts.
- 23. Transfer Land for Septic and Conservation Purposes Andy _____, 36 Lakeview Road, presented on behalf of the Doran Road neighbors.
- 24. Transfer of Stonebridge Parcel for Affordable Housing Mary Antes outlined this article.
- 25. Acquisition of Chp 61B Land 41 River Road Russ Ashton and Jerry Heller spoke to this article. Negotiations continue with the land owner.
- 26. CPA Funds for Rail-to-Trail Jerry Heller explained this article.
- 27. Loker Recreation Transfer Steve Goldstein spoke as the lead petitioner on this article. The following citizens also commented: Mike Lowry (requested overhead maps at town meeting), Mickey Hand (lives on Rice Road, concerned about what is still in the land following Dow's cleanup), Gretchen Schuler (asked to protect the town's ability to use the facility) and Linda Segal (mentioned clean-up efforts, asked if citizens would have to pay to ice skate?).
- 28. Amend Zoning Bylaws: Aquifer Protection District This article brings our bylaw into compliance with DEP.
- 29. Create Town Meeting Debate Website Ira Sager discussed the merits of this article.
- 30. Amend Zoning Bylaws re: Service Stations no petitioner appeared to explain this article.
- 31. Lease DPW Land for Community Pool Ben Downs explained this article.
- 32. Accept Roads no commentary.
- 33. Demolition Delay Bylaw Per Sarki, to be withdrawn.
- 34. Amend Bylaw re: Accessory Dwelling Units Per Sarki, to be withdrawn. Anette Lewis inquired if the Planning Board had voted to withdraw articles 33 and 34.
- 35. Amend Zoning Bylaw re: Wireless Kevin Murphy presented this article for the Planning Board. Anette Lewis stated that the article submission differs from the handout and that the BoS settlement restricts these changes. Sarki reminded us that this article will go through the PB article hearing process.
- 36. Senior Center Feasibility Study Julie Secord gave the details on this article.
- 37. Amend Town Code to Establish Wayland Housing Trust Petitioner Don Flem, Lakeview Road, spoke to this article. Mike Lowry compared it to article #14.
- 38. Amend Chp 6 of Town Code re: Posting of Board Policies Lead petitioner Linda Segal explained her article.
- 39. Independent review of Town and School Budget Process Donna Bouchard and Shawn Kinney presented their position.
- Note: The Board of Selectmen left to continue their meeting at 9:00pm.
- 40. Town Approved Affordable Housing Master Plan Petitioner Gary Ruben, 20 Lakeview Road, explained the plan. Sarki provided clarification on the 2005 plan. Citizens Betty Salzberg, Mike Lowry and Gretchen Schuler sought clarity on how this differed from other housing efforts.

The ATM Article Hearing concluded at 9:10pm.

The Finance Committee moved to the Small Conference Room, second floor. At 9:15pm, a motion was made and seconded to enter executive session as permitted by M.G.L. Chapter 39, Section 23B, paragraph three, for the purpose of discussing strategies with respect to collective bargaining because a public discussion of these matters will have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the Town. A role call vote was taken.

Peper: Yes Gutschenritter: Yes Grasso: Yes Karlson: Yes Bladon: Yes Stack: Yes Also in attendance, Mike DiPietro, John Senchyshyn and Barb Fletcher.

At 10:15pm, the FinCom returned to regular session and continued with the agenda.

<u>School Committee Capital Request</u>: Barb Fletcher, Jeff Dieffenbach and Leisha Simon presented a revised capital request for consideration. Lengthy discussion ensued regarding the changes to the request, cost of computers, specifics about the student 1:1 initiative and specifically the pilot program, understanding the replacement program for computers, identifying ongoing financial requirements by category and the prioritization of projects within the request. Jeff and Leisha offered to update the communication document.

<u>Other Business</u>: Brief discussion of agenda items for the following meeting and when to schedule the FY11 budget presentation.

Motion and second to adjourn at 11:15pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Cherry Karlson