

**Westborough Board of Selectmen
Meeting Minutes
June 8, 2010
7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.**

Members Present: Vice Chairman Goldblatt, Selectmen Emery, Dodd and Thompson

Also, Present: James J. Malloy, Town Manager; Maryanne Bilodeau, Assistant Town Manager; Greg Franks, Town Counsel

Absent: Chairman Jane´

Pledge of Allegiance/Open Forum

Joe Harrington, Town Moderator, requested that the Board set the Fall Special Town Meeting and to advertise the date for the public's information.

Selectman Emery moved to set the Fall Special Town Meeting to be held on Tuesday, October 12 and Wednesday, October 13th. Selectman Thompson seconded. 4-0

Committee Vacancies:

Board of Assessor Member (1)

Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Committee (Alt)

Municipal Building Committee 1 Year Term (1)

Youth Commission – (2)

Economic Development Committee - (1)

Approval of Board of Selectmen's Meeting Minutes

- May 11, 2010
- May 25, 2010

Selectman Thompson moved to approve the Board of Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of May 11, 2010. Selectman Emery seconded. 4-0

Selectman Thompson moved to approve the Board of Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of May 25, 2010. Selectman Emery seconded.

Motion Amended:

Mr. Malloy requested that the May 25, 2010 Selectmen's Meeting Minutes, on page 14 under the item, "Request to Award Contract/DPW Manager" the following statement be added in after the word insurance... "and authorizing the Town Manager to sign all contracts related to the contract". Selectman Emery seconded. 4-0

Request for One-Day Liquor License/Pancreatic Cancer Alliance/Audrey Kurlan-Marcy

Ms. Kurlan-Marcy requested that the Board approve a One Day Liquor License to the Pancreatic Cancer Alliance, c/o Umass Memorial Foundation located at 333 South Street, Shrewsbury, MA to host a fundraiser event at Arturo's Restaurant located at 54 West Main Street in Westborough on Sunday, June 27, 2010 from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Selectman Thompson moved to approve a One Day Liquor License to the Pancreatic Cancer Alliance for their fundraiser to be held at Arturo's Restaurant on Sunday, June 27, 2010 from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Selectman Emery seconded. 4-0

Request for Common Victualer Permit/Tenka Grill, Inc. dba Tenka Grill/Peter Lim, Ji Wen Shi

Mr. Lim requested that the Board of Selectman approve a Common Victualer Permit for Tenka Grill, Inc., d/b/a Tenka Grill located at 153 Turnpike Road, Westborough, MA.

Selectman Thompson moved to approve the Common Victualer Permit for Tenka Grill, Inc., d/b/a Tenka Grill located at 153 Turnpike Road, Westborough, MA. Selectman Emery seconded. 4-0

Request to Bestow a Historical Gift to the Department of Public Works/Kris Allen

Present: Kris Allen, Education Co-chair of the Westborough Historical Society, John Walden, DPW Manager

Ms. Allen bestowed one of the first wooden water pipe used to convey water from Lake Chauncy to the Westborough Reform School on the site of the former State Hospital on Lyman Street to the DPW Manager to be displayed as part of the Town's history for all to see.

The Board of Selectmen and John Walden, DPW Manager, thanked Ms. Allen and the Historical Society for their historic gift to the Town of Westborough to be displayed for the public's view.

Request to Restate Section 125 Plan Document/Adopt New FSA Plan Document/Assistant Town Manager

Ms. Bilodeau requested that the Board restate and approve Section 125 Cafeteria Plan for the change of the anniversary date and to add the Town's dental plan and also to approve the New Plan Document and Plan Highlight for the dependent care and medical expense and flexible spending accounts.

Selectman Thompson moved to restate the Town's current Section 125 Cafeteria Plan and adopt the Flexible Benefit Plan, Plan Document and Plan Highlight and to authorize the Town Manager to sign these materials. Selectman Emery seconded. 4-0

2010 Re-appointments/Board of Selectmen

Selectman Thompson moved to reappoint the individuals under the “Yes” column and requested thank you notes to be sent to the individuals under the “No” column (list attached). Selectman Emery seconded. 4-0

Selectman Emery moved to reappoint the Police Department’s 2010 reappointments as listed in page 48 (list attached). Selectman Thompson seconded. 4-0

2010 Re-appointments/Town Manager

Town Manager Malloy informed the Board that he has reappointed the individuals on page 49 as presented (list attached).

Request to Officially Name the Lee Property/Lee Property Committee, Ad Hoc

Town Manager Malloy informed the Board that the Town received 328 responses on-line and 192 chose “Sunset Hill Park”, 124 on-line for “Veteran’s Freedom Park” and one written response for “Veteran Freedom’s Park” and “Lee Park” received 3 votes and 9 were for other names.

Selectman Emery moved to officially name the Lee Property “Sunset Hill Park”. Selectman Thompson seconded.

The Board discussed this matter in great length and the following was reached:

Selectman Emery withdrew her motion and moved the following:

Selectman Emery moved to officially name the Lee Property “Veteran’s Freedom Park”. Selectman Thompson seconded. 4-0

Walkability Workshop Discussion/Selectman Dodd

Present: Jim Robbins, Town Planner

Selectman Dodd reiterated the Walkability Workshop’s history (summary attached) and also voiced the suggested improvements proposed (page 3) by the workshop members. He said that the workshop also created a Findings Section which included the following:

- A Wayfinding System – to engage downtown businesses to work on developing a wayfinding that may include informational kiosks and improve signage
- A Cycling Map/route/accessibility system- people who are bicyclists with a strong knowledge of cycling concerns should be in charge of following up on this topic. This group could be created informally, or as an ad hoc committee of the Board of Selectmen.
- Updating crosswalks and sidewalks, and general pedestrian safety- suggested follow-up group would be DPW, Planning Board/Department.

Mr. Robbins said that they would like to contact other towns, by letter, and ask what they have in place and their knowledge of the process and also meet with local business and the Chamber of Commerce and local business in the area regarding this outreach.

Selectman Emery moved to authorize the Board of Selectmen Chairman or Vice Chairman to review the draft letter as explained by Mr. Robbins. Vice Chairman Goldblatt seconded. 4-0

The Board of Selectmen thanked Jim Robbins, Town Planner, and Selectman Dodd for their informational update on the Walkability Workshop.

Hocomonco Pond Report/Town Counsel

Town Counsel Franks informed the Board that at the Board's previous meeting he was asked by the Board to research the potential uses and liabilities for Hocomonco Pond for informational purpose only and proceeded to explain the following sections in great detail (report attached).

- Background
- Responsibility for Future Clean-up/Monitoring
- Potential Uses for the Site

The Board thanked Town Counsel Franks for his report.

Town Counsel Report

Town Manager Report

Mr. Malloy requested the Board approval in submitting a SRF application which will allow the Town to fund the sewer project at a 2% interest loan instead of borrowing which the interest rate would be higher and to also have the opportunity to perhaps get a 0% interest loan from the State.

Selectman Emery moved to authorize the Town Manager on behalf of the Board of Selectmen to file applications and execute agreements for grant and/or loan assistance as well as furnishing such information, data and documents pertaining to the applicant for a grant(s) and/or loan(s) as may be required; and otherwise to act as the authorized representative of the Board of Selectmen in connection with this application; and further voted that the purpose of said loan(s), if award, shall be to fund construction activities and if said award is made the Town of Westborough agrees to pay those costs which constitute the required applicant's share of the project cost. Selectman Thompson seconded. 4-0

Issues and Correspondence of the Selectmen

Selectman Thompson wished Anne Towle, School Superintendent, good luck in her retirement.

Selectman Thompson noted that the Town might be relooking into the budgets this summer due to the State budget being shorted by \$600 million dollars in Medicare reimbursements from the Federal Government which has not been committed yet by Congress. Mr. Malloy noted that he would be delighted to send a letter to our Congressmen Brown, Kerry, McGovern to support the funding for this issue. Selectman Emery seconded. 4-0

Selectman Emery thanked Tim Reiter for filming the Board's meeting tonight and requested that the Board appoint Dan Hendricks, as the School Representative, to the Green Technology Advisory Committee, Ad hoc as back-up to Steve Doret which was requested by the School Committee.

Selectman Thompson moved to appoint Dan Hendricks, as the School Representative, to the Green Technology Advisory Committee, Ad hoc as back-up to Steve Doret. Selectman Dodd seconded. 4-0

Selectman Emery thanked the DPW staff for all their efficient work picking up and chopping the torn tree limbs and trees that were topped over because of the storm over the weekend.

Selectman Dodd requested that the Board approve the name change from the Lee Property Committee, Ad hoc to the Veteran's Freedom Park Committee, Ad hoc. Selectman Thompson seconded. 4-0

Vice Chairman Goldblatt requested that the Board approve to have a proclamation typed up for the Westborough Mill Pond School for winning the national recognition for being one of thirteen schools in the country for their outstanding work and encouraging ethical, social and academic growth of their students. They are holding a grand assembly of State Officials, parents and students on Wednesday, June 15th and would like to have someone from the Board present the proclamation to the school.

Selectman Emery moved to have a proclamation written up and to present it to the School's staff on June 15th congratulating them and their students for their recognition. Selectman Thompson seconded. 4-0

Selectman Goldblatt thanked everyone who attended the Memorial Day Parade and also requested that we keep our servicemen and women in our thoughts and prayers who are so far from home.

Selectman Emery noted that the Bay State Green was inaugurated on Monday, June 7th by having a jazz concert play at the bandstand and noted that the next concert will be held on Sunday, July 11th from 3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. with a rain date of Sunday, July 18th.

Adjourn Open Session

Selectman Thompson moved to adjourn the Board of Selectmen meeting at 8:00 p.m.
Selectmen Dodd seconded. 4-0.

Submitted by Nidia Ruberti

Chairman Jané

(Absent)

Vice Chairman Goldblatt

Selectman Leigh Emery

Selectman Timothy A. Dodd

Selectman George Thompson