

Approved: April 19, 2018

Board of Selectmen Meeting: April 10, 2018

Present: Gibbs, Freiman, Sullivan Woods, Morgan, Ulfelder

Also Present: Robinson, Jop

Meeting Documents:

1. Agenda
2. BOS Calendar
3. Executive Director's Weekly Report
4. Draft 40B Eligibility letter for 16 Stearns Road
5. Draft 40B Eligibility letter for 680 Worcester Street
6. Passport – MAPC Software License Agreement
7. Health Insurance Memorandum of Agreement
8. Memo from Treasurer re: War Memorial Scholarship Fund

1. Call to Order and Citizen Speak

Ms. Gibbs, Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Citizens Speak:

None.

2. Approve Eligibility Letters for 40B Housing Projects

Ms. Robinson told the Board that the letter in their packet contained all of the comments received by residents and staff. Mr. Morgan noted that Michael Zehner had sent some comments late in the afternoon which were not in the letter. The Board reviewed those and agreed that most of the changes were not substantive with the exception of a sentence at the end regarding Route 9. Mr. Peter Buehler, a resident of the neighborhood, commented that he was satisfied with the letter and suggested that the sentence in question be slightly modified in order to refer to Route 9 as a "major thoroughfare" as has been done by MassHousing. The Board agreed this change was appropriate and asked staff to finalize it with this change.

Upon a motion by Ms. Freiman and seconded by Mr. Morgan, the Board voted (5-0) to approve the Town's response letter regarding the eligibility of the proposed 40B affordable housing project for both 16 Stearns Road and 680 Worcester Street for submission to MassHousing.

Meeting with Library Trustees

Ms. Gibbs then welcomed the Library Trustees to join the meeting to discuss their proposal relative to the interior project for the building. Ms. Gibbs gave everyone an overview of her conversation with Trustee Ann Howley over the weekend. Ms. Marla Robinson thanked the Board for their willingness to meet and discuss this. She said that the Trustees' proposal would be to pass over Article 19 for design funds this year, to approve the material handler instead and then request the design funds next year and the construction dollars in the third year. She noted that the Trustees would want a commitment to this timetable. Ms. Howley added that this timeline would enable the Trustees to perform a feasibility study of how much they could raise towards the project which she believes will benefit everyone. Ms. Freiman thanked the Trustees, noting she supports the project and appreciates their offer, however for her the

timing is at issue. Ms. Gibbs also echoed her appreciation. She said she believes that we need to develop the capital policy, ensuring that prioritization lines up with available finances and that we don't pit good projects against one another. Mr. Ulfelder said he was grateful the two boards were talking and that we are all here in good faith to gain consensus. He would be concerned about the timing as well and committing to the timeline the Trustees have put forward. Mr. Morgan noted that the schedule creates dilemmas given that there are several major projects that will require debt exclusions coming forward (Middle School, HHU, Town Hall). He agreed with Ms. Gibbs that the process needs to be developed and implemented to see how we can achieve this and other projects. Ms. Sullivan Woods put forth an alternative suggesting that the design be supported this year, the materials handler next year, and the construction in a third year. Mr. Ulfelder asked the Trustees how much they believe they can raise. The Trustees maintained that at this point it is hard to say but it will be substantial. No agreement was reached between the Boards and Ms. Marla Robinson told the Board she respects their opinion and their willingness to listen.

3. Approve Contract Extension - Passport

Ms. Robinson told the Board that the contract for passport pay by phone needed to be extended until December 31st as the result of a bid organized by MAPC.

Upon a motion by Ms. Freiman and seconded by Mr. Morgan, the Board voted (5-0) to approve an extension of MAPC's Contract with Passport Labs for Mobile Parking Payment Systems, RFP #2018 Mobile Parking Payment Systems, for Pay by Phone parking management in Wellesley through December 31, 2018.

4. Ratify Health Insurance Memorandum of Agreement

Ms. Robinson informed the Board that we have received all of the signed agreements except from the police and fire unions; thus she recommended that we table this item. Ms. Sullivan Woods asked if there was an issue or the unions simply hadn't met. Ms. Robinson said she thought that the unions still needed to meet.

5. Discuss War Memorial Scholarship Fund

Ms. Robinson reviewed the memo from Treasurer Marc Waldman indicating that there was just \$3,450 in interest available from the Fund for scholarships this year. She suggested to the Board that if they wanted to give a similar amount for scholarships this year to last (\$7,000) that perhaps the difference could come from BAA marathon funds. She also proposed that staff revisit how the War Memorial Scholarship Fund was utilized and draft a policy to change it prior to next year. Mr. Morgan concurred that revisiting that policy would be a good idea. Ms. Freiman noted she would like to have the Board authorize the same amount as last year.

Upon a motion by Ms. Freiman and seconded by Mr. Morgan, the Board voted (5-0) to authorize the sum of \$3,450 from Fund 82 and \$3,550 from Fund 29 to be applied to provide a total of \$7,000 for 2018 War Memorial Scholarships.

6. Preparation for Annual Town Meeting

None.

7. New Business and Correspondence

None.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:59 pm