

Advisory Committee
April 8, 2013
Faculty Dining Room, Wellesley High School

David Murphy called the meeting of the Wellesley Advisory Committee to order at 7:00 p.m. Those present included Becky Epstein, Marjorie Freiman, Ann-Marie Gross, Laura Hockett, John Hussey, Catherine Johnson, Phil Licari, Andy Patten, Ann Rappaport, Deb Robi and Richard Woerner.

Bob Capozzi and Lucy Kapples entered the meeting at 7:03 p.m.

Citizen Speak

None

Approval of Minutes

David Murphy, Chair, asked for a review of the minutes of the March 27, 2013 meeting. A motion was made by Ann-Marie Gross to approve the minutes of March 27, 2013. Laura Hockett seconded the motion and the minutes of March 27, 2013 were approved unanimously.

Discussion of Warrant Articles

Article 29 – This article will amend the Zoning Map by extending the Wellesley Square Commercial District to include properties at 40 Grove Street, 53 Grove Street and 576 Washington Street (Assessor's Parcels 112-37, 124-13 and 124-16).

Advisory was notified that a motion may be made by a Town Meeting member to revise the zoning map into two sections to allow a portion of Grove Street to remain as zoned currently. The Planning Board had voted unanimously to approve the zoning map as presented originally in the article. If a motion is made, Advisory will have to revote on this article before or during the meeting.

Article 17 – This article deals with the monies to be appropriated for construction, reconstruction, remodeling, rehabilitation and modernization of various school and municipal buildings. The funds for these projects would be financed through short-term borrowing under the levy and appropriated and supervised by the Permanent Building Committee. Before making a final recommendation, final cost estimates will need to be reviewed. Advisory Committee will vote approval at or prior to the Annual Town Meeting on this item.

Several Advisory members are still concerned with the increased costs of the estimate presented originally and the final estimate listed in the supplemental information. Discussion revealed the original numbers were supplied by Facilities Maintenance and the supplemental estimates were supplied by the Permanent Building Committee and are more precise. It was the consensus of Advisory Committee that the budgetary process for design and construction will need further review for future requests.

Old or New Business

David Murphy, Chair, advised Advisory would need to meet a couple more times this year to review and plan for the upcoming year.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:23 p.m.