

Approved: February 24, 2020

Board of Selectmen Meeting: February 10, 2020

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

Also Present: Jop

Warrants approved: 2020-031 \$4,465,183.92

Meeting Documents:

1. Agenda
2. BOS Calendar
3. Draft Motions
4. Volunteer Application and Resume
5. Overview of Planning Board ATM Articles
6. ATM Article List
7. Draft Article 29
8. Draft Article 31
9. Draft Article 32
10. Draft Article 33
11. Draft Article 35
12. Draft Drainage Bylaw Amendment
13. SPED Stabilization Fund Expenditure
14. Draft BOS Minutes 1/21/20
15. Draft BOS Minutes 1/27/20
16. DPW Gift Information
17. Budget Summarized Status
18. Budget Sources & Uses
19. Correspondence: Morses Pond Public Hearing Notice
20. Correspondence: Traffic Complaint
21. MassBay CC Press Release
22. Correspondence: Mass Fiscal.org
23. Quarterly Cash Analysis

1. Call to Order

Ms. Freiman, Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm in the Juliani Room.

Ms. Freiman announced the meeting was being telecast live on Comcast channel 8 and Verizon channel 40 and streamed live by Wellesley Media and is recorded for subsequent viewing on the cable channels or at wellesleymedia.org.

2. Citizen Speak

None.

3. Announcements

Ms. Freiman thanked Fire Fighters Toli and DeLorie for their effort in safely attending to an unexpected home birth. She stated that former Wellesley Fire Chief David Wagstaff had passed away at the age of 83 and noted the service information.

Ms. Sullivan Woods stated the Recreation Department would hold a third public hearing on February 12th at 5pm at the Kingsbury Room regarding the Morses Pond project. She added that the Board of Selectmen office hours would be held at 9a.m. in the third floor conference room of Town Hall on February 11th.

Ms. Olney stated that the Wellesley Women's Initiative and the World of Wellesley would host a celebration in recognition of International Women's Day at the Village Church on March 8th at 2pm.

4. Discuss and Appoint COA Board Member

Ms. Sullivan stated that the appointment would be complete the final vacancy and reviewed Ms. Ferrante's resume. She noted that Ms. Ferrante had met with the COA Chair and Vice Chair as well as herself.

Upon a motion by Mr. Morgan and seconded by Mr. Ulfelder, the Board voted (5-0) to appoint Lori Ferrante to the Council on Aging for a term to expire on June 30, 2021.

5. Annual Town Meeting Preparation

Ms. Jop stated that the red-lined versions of the proposed zoning changes were available on the Planning Department website.

Mr. McCauley, Planning Director and Ms. Johnson, Planning Board Chair, joined the Board.

Ms. Johnson stated that the bylaw changes were not new regulations but rather updating the language of the articles. Ms. Johnson provided an overview of the changes to the ATM Article 31, single residence district, noting that the Planning Board was seeking to provide structure to the general residence district and also provide diversity in the housing stock. Mr. McCauley stated that the proponents for the ATM Article 41 Citizens Petition had expressed general support for the Planning Board changes to the general residence district. Mr. McCauley noted that the work done previously by the NRC precipitated the changes to ATM Article 32, the Tree bylaw. Ms. Johnson and Mr. McCauley reviewed ATM Articles 33 and 35. The Board discussed the Planning Board Articles and the consent agenda.

6. Discuss and Vote SPED Stabilization Fund Expenditure

Ms. Jop stated the expenditure had been approved by the School Committee at its previous meeting.

Upon a motion by Mr. Morgan and seconded by Mr. Ulfelder, the Board voted (5-0) to authorize payment of an invoice in the amount of \$925.59 to New England Medical Billing for the Town's Medicaid filing from the SPED Stabilization Fund

7. Executive Director's Update

Ms. Jop stated that comments received from the draft minutes had been received and updated. She reviewed the gift received by DPW from the Avery Family for the construction of dugouts at Lee Field in the amount of \$71,000. She noted that DPW had received \$2,275 from more than 125 families for the brick campaign as part of the Hunnewell Field renovation project.

Upon a motion by Mr. Morgan and seconded by Mr. Ulfelder, the Board voted (5-0) to approve the minutes of January 21 and January 27, 2020.

Upon a motion by Mr. Morgan and seconded by Mr. Ulfelder, the Board voted (5-0) to accept the gift of \$71,000 from the Avery Family to construct brick dugouts at Lee Field.

8. Budget Update

Ms. Freiman stated that at the most recent School Committee meeting, the Committee voted to decrease its budget by \$75,000. She added that when School Committee presented to Advisory the decrease of the budget was \$84,000. She noted that School Committee remained over the 3.5% guideline at approximately 3.78%. She stated that Dr. Lussier stated to Advisory that in order to meet the 3.5%, some of the strategic plan and critical needs would be reduced as well as some elective FTE time. Ms. Freiman noted that discussions had taken place to possibly create a working group to find a new way to set budget guidelines for the Schools in the future. The Board discussed the School budget and various opportunities for closing the budget gap. While the School Committee budget remained over guideline, the majority of the Board favored seeking alternative methods to closing the remaining \$140,000 budget gap and concluding discussions with the schools. Ms. Freiman stated she would share the Board's discussion with the School Committee Chair.

9. Liaison Update

Mr. Ulfelder stated that the revised redistricting maps would be distributed shortly from the School Committee. He added that the Board would have an opportunity to meet with the professional team for the Hardy Upham project and receive additional information. Ms. Sullivan Woods stated that the updated redistricting maps were available on the School website.

10. New Business and Correspondence

The meeting was adjourned at 8:57pm

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 24, 2020 at 7:00 pm in the Juliani Room.