

**Approved: July 21, 2020**

**Board of Selectmen Meeting: June 18, 2020**

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

**Also Present: Jop, Frigulietti**

**Warrants approved: none**

**Meeting Documents:**

1. Agenda

**1. Call to Order**

Ms. Freiman, Chair, called the meeting to order at 12:32 pm online.

Ms. Freiman announced the meeting was being streamed live on Comcast channel 8 and Verizon channel 40 and by Wellesley Media and recorded for subsequent viewing on the cable channels or at [wellesleymedia.org](http://wellesleymedia.org).

**2. Citizen Speak**

None.

**3. Announcements**

None.

**4. Annual Town Meeting Preparation**

**Discuss Motion to Lay on the Table**

Town Counsel, Mr. Harrington and Moderator, Mr. Kaplan joined the meeting.

Mr. Kaplan reviewed the procedures for the remote Town Meeting. He stated that he believed the remote procedures followed the traditional Town Meeting proceedings to assure fairness and impartiality to all participants. He noted Town Meeting Members would decide by voting if Town Meeting would hear the Citizen Petition Articles at Town Meeting or if those Articles would defer to the Special Town Meeting in the Fall. He added that he planned to discuss and consider Articles 42 and 43 together but they would be voted separately. Mr. Kaplan stated that if the proponents for either Article choose to proceed, they would waive their right to have the Article moved to the Fall STM. He added that any Town Meeting Member would have the right to make a motion to Lay the Article on the Table. He reviewed the rules for a motion to Lay on the Table, noting that the motions are not debatable or amendable and require a 2/3 vote for passage.

The Board discussed the procedure for a motion to Lay on the Table. Ms. Freiman stated that the Board had made clear that if the citizens petitions do not move at Town Meeting the petitions would be moved to the Special in the Fall without having to obtain signatures. Mr. Harrington stated he would contact the petitioners for each citizens' petition to discuss and explain the process and procedures for the June Town Meeting. Ms. Sullivan Woods noted that Articles 42 and 43 did not submit pre-recorded presentations. The Board discussed how resident non-Town-Meeting-Members were allowed to participate in the remote Town Meeting. Ms. Jop stated that any of the petitioners could submit a presentation prior to June 22<sup>nd</sup> at noon. The Board continued to discuss at length the procedure for Town Meeting and potential scenarios for motions regarding the citizen petitions, particularly Articles 42 and 43. The Board discussed the order of Town Meeting motions and which Board member would read the motions.

**Upon a motion by Ms. Freiman and seconded by Mr. Ulfelder the Board was polled and voted (4-0) to adopt formally a statement that the Board of Selectmen agree to put any Citizens Petitions not put forward at the Annual Town Meeting on to the next Special Town Meeting Warrant without requiring additional or new signatures.**

**Sullivan Woods – Aye**

**Olney –Aye**

**Ulfelder – Aye**

**Freiman – Aye**

## **5. Special Town Meeting Preparation**

Ms. Jop noted that the Board hadn't yet voted the motions for Special Town Meeting. She added that Town Counsel had reviewed and approved the motions.

**Upon a motion by Ms. Sullivan Woods and seconded by Mr. Ulfelder the Board was polled and voted (4-0) to approve the motion to conduct Special Town Meeting remotely via Zoom Conferencing Platform as submitted to the Board.**

**Sullivan Woods – Aye**

**Olney –Aye**

**Ulfelder – Aye**

**Freiman – Aye**

**Upon a motion by Ms. Sullivan Woods and seconded by Mr. Ulfelder the Board was polled and voted (4-0) to approve Article 2, Motion 1 as outlined in the document provided by the Executive Director that would authorize the Town of Wellesley to continue the employment of Jeffrey Peterson.**

**Sullivan Woods – Aye**

**Olney –Aye**

**Ulfelder – Aye**

**Freiman – Aye**

## **6. New Business and Correspondence**

Ms. Freiman noted that the Board would meet prior to Annual Town Meeting on June 22<sup>nd</sup>.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:01 pm.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for June 29, 2020 at 5pm-online.