

A Regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held on Tuesday, May 29, 2012 beginning at 6 p.m. in room 112 of the Town Hall and reconvened in the Main Meeting Room at 7:00 p.m. Mr. Kraus was absent. The following members were present.

Michael Berry, Vice Chairman
Mark Gallivan, Clerk
Christopher Timson
Nancy Mackenzie

Also, present:
James Johnson, Assistant Town Administrator
Cindy Berube, Executive Assistant

Mr. Berry called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

Police Officer Candidates Interviews

The Board was presented with four candidates for one opening as a police officer for the Town. Chief Stillman introduced each candidate to the members; Matthew Crown, Taylor Bethoney, Brian Leary and Thomas Hart. The Board interviewed each candidate one at a time and they were asked to tell them why they wanted to be an officer in the Town. Each candidate was asked the same questions by all Board members and were given as much time as needed to respond. When the interviews were over, Chief Stillman informed the members that Matthew Crown was the top candidate as he had the highest score on the Civil Service exam. The Board would require a good reason to bypass him.

MOTION moved by Mr. Timson to appoint Matthew Crown to the Walpole Police Department conditional upon him passing a physical including drug screening, a Physical Abilities Test (PAT) and psychological test beginning on June 25, 2012, seconded by Mr. Gallivan VOTED 4-0-0

The Board moved to the Main Meeting Room to continue the meeting.

Mr. Berry informed the audience the Board had opened the meeting at 6:10 p.m. in Room 112 to conduct interviews this was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance

Announcements and Proclamations

Mr. Berry thanked the Recreation Dept for the Walpole Day event. Special thanks to Ora Maguire. Thank you to Fire and police with their assistance

Mr. Timson thanked Jon Cogan, Vet Agent for putting on a great Memorial Day event. It was nicely done. Colonel Stewart, he had flags that flu over Afghanistan. It was very well done.

Mr. Berry informed the public the Board had just completed interviews for the opening as a police officer. The Board had four great candidates.

7:15 p.m. Board of Health update

William Morris, Chairman of the Board of Health appeared before the Board for their annual update. He reviewed the variety of tasks the Health Board is responsible for. They are responsible for overseeing septic systems, new animal permits, and flu clinics, inspection of food establishments, swimming pools, tobacco control compliance, and solid waste. Negotiated a new solid waste contract. Recently completed an audit on our emergency dispensing. Improve our communication plans. Continue to have an active Medical Reserve Corp.

They are promoting health and wellness and again will ask students and parents to walk to school. Being active and staying healthy. They hold the household hazardous waste day. They are very active with coalition for alcohol and drug awareness. Working with Police Department and youth groups, the affects of these on our youth.

Robin will be part of a group that will teach people health and wellness for children. Always looking at ways to maintain the health and safety of our residents.

Mr. Gallivan spoke of flu clinics for next year, how do you decide which vaccine? Mr. Morris explained that is on a national level, and distributed thru the state.

Mr. Timson spoke of focusing on trying to build a bridge to the businesses in our community. He knows the Board of Health regulates, the businesses are our partners. Any plans or ideas that may go along to reach out to businesses to be friendly?

Mr. Morris noted the Health Department does not look to find problems, they feel they are more of an educational role; they may find things that need to be worked on. They must protect the citizens. They do not want to catch people doing something wrong, but when we do, we want to be sure it is corrected.

Mr. Timson knows there is a fine line.

Robin Chappell explained they try to collaborate with businesses. They try to look at the resources that they have in town. We have partnered with Siemens. We do look at businesses as a resource.

It was noted there are two associate membership openings on the Health Board.

7:25 Chief Bailey, Quarterly Update

Chief Bailey updated the Board members with the activity since his last appointment with them in March. The average calls since the last time they met in March is around 13.4 a

day. They have been helping surrounding communities with fires. Kevin Morrissey will be going to academy in July.

Repairs on the apparatus. Ambulance One had a door hit in the parking lot. The generator in station 2 hit by a vehicle. Station one antenna has been completed. On the AFG grants, radio equipment, we did not receive it, it is the third time we have been shot down. They performed a mock accident, at High School before the prom; out in front of the building He received money for a shooter drill.

Both injuries are still at the same place, he is going tomorrow to the retirement board for one of the members. He hopes to back to them for the second member who has been out on injury for some time. There had been a glitch in the paperwork. With two people coming on they will be trained in the ambulance but will have to attend the fire academy.

He informed the Board he is under on his overtime budget.

Capital budget approved two new defibrillators and new ambulance. Peter Carter has taken over the night before the fourth celebration.

7:35 p.m. J. Wiley, Conservation Commission and Adams Farm Committee update

Mr. Wiley reported there are seven active members on the Conservation Commission. They have seen a moderate increase in activity and the fee collections are down. He noted the state had past a law that extended permits into 2015. They have completed a review of Conservation Commission parcels and will have a booklet showing the trails in the parcels. Worked with Trails committee on signage and maintenance. Working with owner of Industrial Rd to get access to Conservation land. Worked with the MPIC and student group on the park and bridge. Our agent is filing MS4 reports with EPA. Attended workshops MACC, DEP, and web seminars put on by EPA. EPA to issue the new storm water permits for the MS4 requirements. Worked with T. forest committee for access to Scout Island and the Trust for Public Land on the Sunny Rock Farm property.

They started the herbicide application last week on Clark's pond that was started last year. Next year there will be an additional application. They are putting together an RFP for Turners pond. They are keeping the dialogue going with the Ponds Committee. Their relationship is better; these parcels are under the jurisdiction of the Commission. Working on a donation from Atlantic Court subdivision. Number of commission members involved in other committees in town.

Talked about who oversees the RFP process. It includes Mr. Johnson, Landis, Dan Ryan, Clifton Snuffer Jr. and Jack Wiley.

Mr. Gallivan would like to see the book he is talking about on the web site. Once you have it together, we can have Pat take a look to put on the web site.

Mr. Timson spoke of the Selectmen's policies to create a business friendly atmosphere. Perhaps the Commission could think about ways to enhance business friendliness. Mr. Wiley explained they are available to help any applicant. We are available for applicants.

On Adams Farm, they meet on an as needed basis. They review applications for use of the farm and barn and then forward back to you for approval. We had brush removed by the DPW with prison details. The Trails committee is providing signage and maintenance on trails. Have done some revisions on the markings. They are preparing a new trail behind the barn. Community garden is in full swing. Butterfly garden is in full bloom. They are working on a memorial area that is a work in progress. One of the neighbors mows around the barn. Work with the Friends of A. Farm on funding issues, sign to go out front. Put up a sign on Fisher and Rt1A and trying to get one for the Westwood side. The volleyball courts are in use, fair amount of activity.

Dog walking, we had a meeting with a Animal control officer if we could get an area that would be confined that people could let their dogs off leash. We would need a six foot fence. In order to do that I would need to revise the A. Farm Regulations.

Mr. Timson asked if there were mountain bike trails. Mr. Wiley believes people do use the trail with bikes, but would need someone who has expertise in that. Mrs. Mackenzie believes the Recreation Department is involved with the bike trails.

Mr. Berry wanted the public to know that Mr. Kraus is not here as he is attending an awards ceremony for his son,

8:15 p.m. **Open Forum**

Mr. James Taylor asked if someone could remove a sign at the corner of Common and South Street located on a vacant house lot. Mr. Berry told him they would look into that issue.

5-22 **Clerical contract**

MOTION moved by Mr. Gallivan to sign the agreement between the Town and the Town Hall Clerical employees July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2014, seconded by Mrs. Mackenzie, VOTED 4-0-0

5-23 **Facilities Study, Award of Contract**

Mrs. Mackenzie reported many people responded to this and they ended up interviewing two and the Maguire group was wonderful and their experience is great. I She thinks they will do a great job and are ready to hit the ground running. Read our master plan and field studies. They would like to meet with each board members and after that guide them through the process of which group to meet with. They questioned the old library.

They are going to take a quick peak at that, knowing we may be able to move on that. They have a lot of experience in Massachusetts and are familiar with working with MSBA.

MOTION moved by Mrs. Mackenzie to sign the agreement between the Town and Maguire Group Inc for the Municipal Facilities Master Planning Study and to authorize the Town Administrator to sign on behalf of the Board, seconded by Mr. Gallivan, VOTED 4-0-0

5-24 Type I Contract, Bid Award

MOTION moved by Mr. Gallivan to award contract 2012-24 to D&R General Contracting, Stoneham, MA per item unit cost basis as allocated money will allow, seconded by Mr. Timson, VOTED 4-0-0

5-25 Use of Old Fisher Ball Field

Mrs. Mackenzie suggested they look at this for next year. Maybe they could find an alternative place they can park. Mr. Timson agreed that if there comes a time when that field is upgraded, the Board might want to reconsider allowing the Agricultural School to use it for parking.

MOTION moved by Mr. Gallivan to approve the use of the Old Fisher Ball Field on June 6, 2012 by the Norfolk County Agricultural High School from 4:30 to 8:00 p.m. with a rain date of June 7, seconded by Mr. Timson, VOTED 4-0-0

5-26 Chapter 90 Funding

MOTION moved by Mr. Gallivan to sign the Chapter 90 requests as submitted FOR \$239,903.55 and \$171,130.00, seconded by Mrs. Mackenzie, VOTED 4-0-0

5-27 Cable TV Advisory Appointments

Pat Krusko who is currently a regular member wishes to change membership with Matt Fearnley who is an Associate member.

Matt Fearnley appeared before the Board to inform them about the meeting with seniors. He is currently an associate member and is looking forward to becoming more involved and serving as the regular member.

MOTION moved by Mrs. Mackenzie to accept the request from Pat Krusko to go from regular member to associate member on Cable TV Advisory, seconded by Mr. Gallivan, VOTED 4-0-0

MOTION moved by Mrs. Mackenzie to promote Matt Fearnley from Associate to a regular member on Cable TV Advisory, seconded by Mr. Gallivan, VOTED 4-0-0

5-28 Use of A. Farm, Graduation party

MOTION t to approve the request to use A. Farm for a graduation party, subject to approval by A. Farm, seconded by Mr. Gallivan, VOTED 4-0-0

New Business

Mr. Timson thanked the Board and has enjoyed his two terms on the Board. It has been a good experience and looks forward to serving for another three years.

Mrs. Mackenzie echoes Mr. Timson's comments have enjoyed serving and would like to serve another three years.

Mr. Gallivan reported he attended COA meeting. Three issues have been addressed; use some money for computers and laptops. Run a training class for seniors. If any seniors want to attend that will be great.

The Senior Center has trouble with microphones and Matt has agreed to look at that. They have three vans, but need a third driver.

Minutes

The Executive Assistant presented the Board with numerous executive session minutes to be released. They had all been approved and the matter relating to the reason for entering the Executive Session has been completed. The Board suggested holding off on the June 15, 2012 and July 13, 2010 minutes as they did not feel those issues had been completely resolved.

MOTION moved by Mr. Timson to release the Executive Session minutes of March 9, 2010; August 3, 2010; September 7, 2010; December 10, 2010; March 22, 2011; May 31, 2011; July 19, 2011; July 26, 2011; August 23, 2011; September 20, 2011; October 4, 2011; December 13, 2011, seconded by Mr. Gallivan VOTED 4-0-0

MOTION moved by Mr. Timson to approve the minutes of May 15, 2012, seconded by Mr. Gallivan, VOTED 4-0-0

Adjournment

MOTION moved by Mr. Timson to adjourn at 8:40 pm, seconded by Mr. Gallivan, VOTED 4-0-0