

The Select Board met on Tuesday, July 13, 2021 beginning at 7:00pm in the Main Meeting Room of Town Hall. Board member Nancy Mackenzie was absent. The following members were present:

Mark Gallivan, Chair  
Benjamin Barrett, Vice Chair, joined at 7:18pm  
Glenn Maffei, Clerk  
James O'Neil

Also participating  
James Johnson, Town Administrator  
Aoife Kelly, Executive Assistant

### Appointments

#### Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Gallivan called the meeting to order at 7pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### Vote to appoint the following candidates to the position of Firefighter/Paramedic

Present were Chief Bailey and candidates Erica Thomas, Christopher Luongo and Shawn Sarnie. Chief Bailey introduced the candidates to the Board. Each candidate spoke about their experience and where they are in terms of their training. The Board congratulated the candidates and thanked them for being here tonight and look forward to having them as part of the department. On motion of Clerk Maffei, seconded by Chair Gallivan, voted to appoint Erica Thomas to the position of Firefighter/Paramedic with the Walpole Fire Dept. Motion Passed (3-0-0). On motion of Clerk Maffei, seconded by Chair Gallivan, voted to appoint Christopher Luongo to the position of Firefighter/Paramedic with the Walpole Fire Dept. Motion Passed (3-0-0). On motion of Clerk Maffei, seconded by Chair Gallivan, voted to appoint Shawn Sarnie to the position of Firefighter/Paramedic with the Walpole Fire Dept. Motion Passed (3-0-0).

#### Open Forum – No one present

### New Business

#### Vote request of Destination Downtown, to use the Town Common on Saturday, October 16, 2021, to hold the Uncommon Art on the Common event (which includes the closure of Elm St).

Present was Director of Community & Economic Development Patrick Deschenes and Destination Downtown member Sarah Khatib. Sarah outlined the setup of the event and the types of things to expect during the event. On motion of Clerk Maffei, seconded by Chair Gallivan, voted to approve request of Destination Downtown to use the Town Common on Saturday, October 16, 2021, for the Uncommon Art on the Common event and close Elm St between West & Main on the morning of October 16 and reopen on or before October 17. Motion Passed (3-0-0). On motion of Clerk Maffei, seconded by Chair Gallivan, voted to approve request for a One Day Entertainment Permit on October 16, 2021 from 12pm-3pm as part of Uncommon Art on the Common event. Motion Passed (3-0-0).

#### Adams Farm Requests:

On motion of Clerk Maffei, seconded by Chair Gallivan, voted to approve request of New England Mountain Bike Association to use Adams Farm on September 26, 2021 from 10am-5pm for a NEMBA Member Event. Motion Passed (3-0-0). On motion of Clerk Maffei, seconded by Chair Gallivan, voted to approve request of Adam Romanow – Castle Island Brewing for a One Day Wine & Malt Beverage License at Adams Farm on September 26, 2021 from 12pm-5pm subject to compliance with all guidelines/conditions as specified by the WPD and alcohol to remain in the designated area. Motion Passed (3-0-0).

Vote request of WHS Cross Country/Track Booster to hold the 48<sup>th</sup> Annual Walpole Labor Day Road Race on Monday, September 06, 2021 beginning at 9am

On motion of Clerk Maffei, seconded by Chair Gallivan, voted to approve request of WHS Cross Country/Track Booster to hold the 48<sup>th</sup> Annual Walpole Labor Day Road Race on Monday, September 06, 2021 beginning at 9am. Motion Passed (3-0-0).

Vote request for Three One Day Wine & Malt Beverage Licenses for Matt Cohen - TAPPED Beer Truck on July 16, 23, and 30, 2021 from 5pm-8pm at Bird Park

On motion of Clerk Maffei, seconded by Chair Gallivan, voted to approve request of Matt Cohen – TAPPED Beer Truck for three One Day Wine & Malt Beverage Licenses at Bird Park on July 16, 23 and 30, 2021 from 5pm-8pm subject to compliance with all guidelines/conditions as specified by the WPD and alcohol to remain in the designated area. Motion Passed (3-0-0).

Vote request of Daniel Shea for a One Day Entertainment Permit at 20 Joal Avenue for live music on July 31, 2021 starting at 6pm

On motion of Clerk Maffei, seconded by Chair Gallivan, voted to approve request of Daniel Shea for a One Day Entertainment Permit at 20 Joal Avenue for live music on July 31, 2021 starting at 6pm and music to end just prior to 11pm. Motion Passed (3-0-0).

#### CONSENT AGENDA

On motion of Clerk Maffei, seconded by Chair Gallivan, voted to accept with gratitude the following donations:

Caroline Taber Kiessling to Walpole Cultural Council	\$25
Anonymous Donor to Library Gift Account	\$50
Friends of Walpole Public Library to Trails Committee Gift Account	\$150
Multiple Donors to Recreation Smiling Eyes Financial Assistance	\$591

Motion Passed (4-0-0).

#### Minutes

On motion of Clerk Maffei, seconded by Chair Gallivan, voted to approve Minutes of June 29 and July 07, 2021 as presented in our packet. Motion Passed (3-0-1). Board member O'Neil abstained.

#### Town Administrator's Update

##### COVID Update

2,119 total confirmed positive cases with 1 active case.

##### End of Fiscal 2021

Jodi and her team are wrapping things up and planning on closing out the books two days from now. Once done she will begin the process of certifying the free cash and retained earnings from sewer & water; just need to get a few final bills paid. I'm optimistic we will have some certified numbers by mid to late August.

##### Capital Budget

Department Heads have submitted capital requests and I'm working to organize and review each of the requests. Once we have free cash certified, I'll finalize my recommendations for Capital Budget to consider.

##### Fall Town Meeting Warrant

Currently we have 15 articles and most relate to capital budget with three borrowing articles. I do expect under Article 2 some changes to the Town Clerk's budget; which I expect for the special election, approximately \$25,000-\$30,000.

And then what we discussed a few weeks ago about with the East Walpole Fire Station; I may make an adjustment under that budget.

Norfolk County

The County just issued a letter, saying they have decided to administer the funds, Walpole's share is about \$6million. I have asked for an exact figure and the rules and guidelines and when we can get them a list of projects. As far as COVID funds that came directly to the Town it was just about \$2.5-2.9million, we are still working through the guidelines but our capital list is very extensive so we will have a large laundry list. We just have to make sure we adhere to the guidelines that are established.

On motion of Clerk Maffei, seconded by Chair Gallivan, voted to adjourn the meeting and the meeting was adjourned accordingly at 7:25pm. Motion Passed (4-0-0).