The Select Board met on Tuesday June 20, 2023 beginning at 6:45pm in the Lorusso Room of Walpole Fire Department, 20 Stone Street. The following members were present:

Allyson Hamilton, Chair Mark Gallivan, Vice Chair Benjamin Barrett, Clerk James O'Neil Glenn Maffei

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

#### **Appointments**

#### Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Hamilton called the meeting to order at 6:45pm.

#### Vote Board/Committee Appointments

On motion of Clerk Barrett, seconded by Vice Chair Gallivan, voted to appoint Patrick Shield as alternate member of the Norfolk County Advisory Board. Motion Passed (5-0-0). On motion of Clerk Barrett, seconded by Vice Chair Gallivan, voted to appoint Jennifer Geosits, Konstantine Krekis and Lance Campbell to the Permanent Building Committee. Motion Passed (5-0-0).

#### Vote to sign State Aid Reimbursable Program for Complete Streets Tier 3 for \$83,326.42

Town Engineer Carl Balduf was present to provide some context on this reimbursable. On motion of Clerk Barrett, seconded by Vice Chair Gallivan, voted to sign State Aid Reimbursable Program for Complete Streets Tier 3. Motion Passed (5-0-0).

### Vote request of DPW Director Rick Mattson to declare three vehicles as surplus

On motion of Clerk Barrett, seconded by Vice Chair Gallivan, voted to approve request of DPW Director to declare the three vehicles as surplus listed on the memo dated June 14, 2023. Motion Passed (5-0-0).

Vote request to hold annual Night Before the Fourth Celebration on July 3, 2023 with a rain date of July 5 and to close Stone St. from Main to Diamond: School St from Common to East; use of Morgan Field, Stone Field and Blackburn Hall restrooms

On motion of Clerk Barrett, seconded by Vice Chair Gallivan, voted to approve request of Walpole Fire Department to host Night Before the Fourth Celebration on July 3, 2023 with a rain date of July 05 and to close Stone St from Main to Diamond; School St from Common to East; use Morgan Field, Stone Field and Blackburn Hall restrooms. Motion Passed (5-0-0).

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

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

William Kennedy to COA Gifts \$100
Various Donors to Night Before the Fourth \$291
Ms. Alice Lorusso – Charann Charitable Fund to COA Gifts \$7,500

Motion Passed (5-0-0).

#### Minutes

On motion of Clerk Barrett, seconded by Vice Chair Gallivan, voted to approve the Minutes of June 6 2023 as presented in our packet. Motion Passed (5-0-0).

## Town Administrator's Update

# Acting Town Administrator

I will be out of the office for the remainder of the week and submitting notice that Patrick will be acting Town Administrator in my absence.

## July 3<sup>rd</sup>

With the timing of the fireworks delivery, I will likely close town offices that day for safety reasons.

The Board took a quick recess at 6:55pm and reconvened in the Apparatus Room at 7pm, Chair Hamilton lead the group present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### Vote to appoint Paul C. Barry as Fire Chief and sign Employment Contract

The Honor Guard were present. Chair Hamilton thanked everyone in attendance including current and former Chiefs, Walpole Police and Fire members and Chief Bailey for his many years of service to the Town. Deputy Barry offered some remarks. He stated that he was very thankful to the Board and to Administrator Johnson for this opportunity. Deputy Barry recognized the support of Chief Bailey, Administrative Assistant Linda Menyo and all the members of the Department past and present. He offered thanks to his family for their continuing support during his career. The Board offered their congratulations to Paul and look forward to working with him in his new capacity as Fire Chief. On motion of Clerk Barrett, seconded by Vice Chair Gallivan, voted to appoint Paul C. Barry as Walpole Fire Chief and sign his employment contract. Motion Passed (5-0-0). Chief Barry was pinned by his wife and children. Town Clerk Gaffey preformed the swearing in ceremony and Chief Barry recited the oath of office.

On motion of Clerk Barrett, seconded by Vice Chair Gallivan, voted to adjourn and the meeting was adjourned accordingly at 7:15pm. Motion Passed (5-0-0).