

A Regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held on Tuesday, April 2, 2013 beginning at 7pm in the Main Meeting Room of the Town Hall. Mrs. Mackenzie was absent. Mr. Kraus participated remotely via the Telephone and the following members were present.

Michael Berry, Vice Chairman  
Mark Gallivan, Clerk  
Christopher Timson

Also present:  
Michael Boynton, Town Administrator

Mr. Berry called the meeting to order, followed by Pledge of Allegiance.

He announced that Mr. Kraus will be participating remotely due to geographic distance via the telephone after the presentation of awards.

#### **AGENDA ITEMS**

##### **Coalition for Alcohol and Drug Awareness Awards**

Award Ceremony-Robin Chapell will be handling the awards and announcements. This is the second year. Christine Seastrand, one member that ran the video contest. They had more children participate this year. It is a really hard thing for the students to do. They will show a video of the videos. Explained the requirements to participate. They have to find a way to get a message about drugs, alcohol or bullying. Three levels for each level. Creative about it, use music, images. They did a fantastic job. They had to go to their friends to get hits on you tube. It was extremely hard judging.

Josh Cole DA Morrissey could not be here tonight. This is one of his two favorite events in Walpole and wanted to extend congratulations to all.

Robin stated they have cash prizes and a letter from the Police Chief, from DA office bags and water bottles. Christen was able to get them all \$20 gift certificates for the movies.

They played the videos and announced the winners.

Mr. Berry told the students who participated they really stood out amongst their peers. He commended them for their creativity. Mr. Gallivan and Mr. Timson also congratulated the students and understand how difficult it can be to participate in the program. The prizes are nice, but the fact that you stood up for something that is the reward.

Deputy Chief Carmichael agreed they did a fantastic job and thanks for everyone from the Coalition. Our whole mission is to delay the onset to give kids the ability to combat drugs. You sent a very good message to everyone your age. Thank You.

Asst. Superintendent Kenney-I think you have role models and continue to be, I know they will be leaders in the future in our community. Thank the Selectmen for support and funding, recreation, Police and Robin Chapell.

The Board took a short recess to allow everyone to exit the room.  
Mr. Kraus joined in the meeting at 7:55pm via telephone.

#### 7:55pm-Statement of Interest

Superintendent Lynch, Asst. Superintendent Jean Keeny, Chairperson Nancy Gallivan and Mike Friscia were present to review the Statement of interest. Mike Friscia reported they have four statements of interest to create a capital improvements plan.

Fisher School is the biggest project. This is the first step of Grant application. The way they have scheduled these projects, and how they have worked with the maintenance depts. So they work in an affordable plan. The MSBA government entity provides funding for school business projects, boilers, windows and roofs. Statement of interest is an application for reimbursements

He gave a brief overview of the needs at Fisher, High School, Boyden and Elm. Number one priority is Fisher elementary school. It needs a complete roof replacement, Window replacements, and boilers as two are original to the school. Solution would be replacement of several roof sections. Replacements of boilers, the total \$1,580,000 at Fisher potential is 50%

Boyden School- Gym roof, is an asphalt product roof and shingles are releasing and blowing off. Complete roof project cost is \$390,000 with a potential 50% reimbursement.

Elm Street School -section of the original roof, seams are failing. As the roof stretches skylights are leaking. Solution replacement of original roof and skylights at a cost of \$235,000.

WHS-about a year ago the material above the Gym peeled back due to aging. This winter the roof was separated from the decking and flooded the elevator shaft. The

roof has been returned to where it belongs, but the issue needs to be resolved. Replacement of roof over the auditorium, water proofing that is in the SOI. The waterproofing, The proposal would be excavating the brick, sealing them up, installing French drains bringing to the street. The cost is \$705,000 with potential 50% reimbursement.

Mr. Boynton reported how outstanding it has been to work with Mike and Lynch on this project. Good program, if you support this request. The reimbursement would be 1.4 million. We will do short term borrowing on these projects. Asked the Board for their support on the Statement of Interests. If Town Meeting does not support this then it does not go forward.

#### Elm St. School

MOTION moved by Mr. Timson to endorse the SOI for the Fisher School and authorize the V. Chairman to sign seconded by Mr. Kraus

BE IT RESOLVED: Having convened in an open meeting on April 2, 2013 the Board of Selectmen of Walpole, Massachusetts, in accordance with its charter, by-laws, and ordinances, has voted to authorize the Superintendent to submit to the Massachusetts School Building Authority the Statement of Interest Form dated April 3, 2013 for the Fisher School located at 65 Gould Street, Walpole, Massachusetts, which describes and explains the following deficiencies and the priority category(s) for which an application may be submitted to the Massachusetts School Building Authority in the future for the replacement, renovation or modernization of School facilities systems such as roofs, windows, boilers, heating and ventilation systems to increase energy conservation and decrease energy related costs in a school facility. Priority Number 1 deficiency at Fisher School is that the roof has exceeded its useful life and is leaking in multiple areas. A significant number of windows are Lexan or single-pane windows causing dramatic heat loss. The boilers are original to the building and are approximately 50 years old and require extensive repairs each year; and hereby further specifically acknowledges that by submitting this Statement of Interest Form, the Massachusetts School Building Authority in no way guarantees the acceptance or the approval of an application, the awarding of a grant or any other funding commitment from the Massachusetts School Building Authority, or commits the Town School District to filing an application for funding with the Massachusetts School Building Authority.

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#### High School

MOTION moved by Mr. Timson to endorse the SOI for the High School and authorize the V. Chairman to sign, seconded by Mr. Gallivan

BE IT RESOLVED: Having convened in an open meeting on April 2, 2013 the Board of Selectmen of Walpole, Massachusetts, in accordance with its charter, by-laws, and ordinances, has voted to authorize the Superintendent to submit to the Massachusetts School Building Authority the Statement of Interest Form dated April 3, 2013 for Walpole High School located at 275 Common Street, Walpole,

Massachusetts, which describes and explains the following deficiencies and the priority category(s) for which an application may be submitted to the Massachusetts School Building Authority in the future for the replacement, renovation or modernization of School facilities systems such as roofs, windows, boilers, heating and ventilation systems to increase energy conservation and decrease energy related costs in a school facility. Priority Number 2 deficiency at Walpole High School is a roof section at Walpole High School detached from the roof decking due to age, failing adhesives and wind conditions resulting in the roof being blown back exposing roof decking. Temporary fixes have been implemented until a full replacement can be financed; and hereby further specifically acknowledges that by submitting this Statement of Interest Form, the Massachusetts School Building Authority in no way guarantees the acceptance or the approval of an application, the awarding of a grant or any other funding commitment from the Massachusetts School Building Authority, or commits the Town School District to filing an application for funding with the Massachusetts School Building Authority.

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Boyden School

MOTION moved by Mr. Timson to endorse and authorize the V. Chairman to sign the SOI for Boyden seconded by Mr. Gallivan

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Elm St. School

MOTION moved by Mr. Timson to endorse the SOI for Elm St. School and authorize the V. Chairman to sign, seconded by Mr. Gallivan

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Massachusetts School Building Authority the Statement of Interest Form dated April 3, 2013 for Elm Street School located at 415 Elm Street, Walpole, Massachusetts, which describes and explains the following deficiencies and the priority category(s) for which an application may be submitted to the Massachusetts School Building Authority in the future for the replacement, renovation or modernization of School facilities systems such as roofs, windows, boilers, heating and ventilation systems to increase energy conservation and decrease energy related costs in a school facility. Priority Number 4 deficiency at Elm Street School is a section of the original roof installed in 1985 is failing, resulting in leaks and air flow getting under the roof. Sky lights in this section of roof are discolored and leaking; and hereby further specifically acknowledges that by submitting this Statement of Interest Form, the Massachusetts School Building Authority in no way guarantees the acceptance or the approval of an application, the awarding of a grant or any other funding commitment from the Massachusetts School Building Authority, or commits the Town School District to filing an application for funding with the Massachusetts School Building Authority.

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#### 4-20 Electronic Message Center Fees

It was explained that old billboards are being replaced to have electronic message center and the town has not caught up with the fees.

Jack Mee, Building Commissioner explained through his current fee schedule we typically charge \$75 per sign, each one of those businesses, the billboard at gatehouse changed and they have the ability to have six different signs. He charged them six times the fee. Since that time the technology has caught up that it is unlimited. Proposing \$15 per \$1,000 for the cost of the equipment. He needs to have something on our books.

Mr. Timson discussed what is the typical cost of one of these would be. If we are charging less for these than for a regular sign. He would like to know that information. Mr. Mee will provide the Board with additional information regarding the cost of these types of billboards. The Board felt they could make a better decision based on further information. Table for next meeting.

#### Chief Timothy Bailey, Fire Budget

He explained the budget has very little change, with minor tweaking on expenses. QA/QI that is for ambulance service, they will come in to monitor our service. The two Firefighters in training will be able to perform Firefighter and ambulance work when they get back. Currently they can only work on the ambulance.

Chief Bailey talked about the two firefighters in training and what they will do when they get back. Currently the only thing they can do now is the ambulance. is the ambulance, when they come back they can do both FF and Ambulance. The

probation will continue for one year after they get back. He was asked to look ahead a year and if there is anything he would require. He explained there is a need for another day person. He would like someone to conduct training. Mr. Boynton would support the addition of a Captain.

Mr. Timson discussed the QA/QI and believes the level of service they provide, it is never a bad idea to have that additional oversight. He further noted reviewing the budget based upon what was spent last year he had bounced overtime up \$30,000. He explained there is currently no one out on long-term out on injury and because of the amount of turnover that has kept the rates lower.

Both Mr. Boynton and Mr. Berry noted that this winter's weather has had an impact on public safety. There was discussion on the educational incentives, and how much of those are contractual. Chief Bailey explained if they have a degree they get a percent. It is similar to the Quinn Bill for police.

Chief Bailey discussed his capital needs which includes a new truck, a Lucas CPR machine, and a power stretcher

#### 4-2 Ambulance Rate

Chief Bailey explained the town has not reviewed the fees since 2010. Mr. Timson noted it seems that any Comstar communities that have revised have all gone to Medicare plus at a minimum 100.

MOTION moved by Mr. Gallivan to approve the Ambulance Rates as presented Medicare plus 100 Bundle rate seconded by Mr. Kraus, VOTED 4-0-0

#### 4-3 Recycling and Waste

Robin Chapell explained the Town's recycling tonnage is about the same, the solid waste has gone down some. The Board had opted to continue with the same program that we are doing. The more the town recycles the more we can save with solid waste. We put some recycling bins at the fields which is helping. She noted the solid waste contract has been very good.

#### 4-4 Police Budget

Deputy Chief Carmichael gave a brief overview of the department. There are currently thirty-nine sworn officers, two are in the academy. It takes about 10 months to complete the academy. They have five dispatchers, and seven crossing guards. In next years budget asking for three all wheel drive vehicles, help make a positive impact on getting to locations. They have hired ten officers in 2/12 years. They are working towards certification. The department would like to get back to forty-one officers.

#### 4-8 Police Dispatcher, Job Description

MOTION moved by Mr. Timson to approve the new job description for Police Dispatcher seconded by Mr. Gallivan, VOTED 4-0-0

#### 4-5 Apportionment

The opinion from T. Counsel reached out to the Secretary of State. Inhabitants in terms of what the town has to do. The Board may put the matter before T. Meeting for a Charter Review. You have to vote based on my last letter.

MOTION moved by Mr. Timson to approve the apportionment of Town Meeting Members as presented in the T. Clerks Memo, seconded by Mr. Gallivan, VOTED 4-0-0

4-18 Attorney Brady, representing Steven Goller of Walpole Wine and Spirits, and the other package store owners in town. Very keen interest in this Town Meeting article. Some of this is rehashing. Why they are opposed to it, I understand why you put it together. There is a difference between, a package store license and Restaurant. There is no statutory need for an additional license. To issue a license of this nature, puts all them. Every one of these owners purchased these licenses. You see the numbers come before you and that is a big investment. The big box stores are looking to get into the liquor businesses. If the Town approves this, it is going to open the flood gates for the larger big box stores. They could say you are being discriminatory. That deli had a license and sold and that ship has already sailed. For those reasons, we would like you to not support the additional store license. He suggested the Board could separate the Restaurant licenses from the package store licenses.

Mr. Berry explained the Board had an owner come in with a private citizen petition to seek an additional license. The BOS engaged the owner to perhaps get them on board and try to protect. Good faith effort went before the Fin Com and raised some good points.

Attorney Champertelain represents the E. Walpole Market and Deli explained there are no other package stores within one mile. He does not see how that can injure the other pkg. store license holders in town. He suggested this one license would not affect them. He is looking to bring back what was there before.

The Board discussed the issue and determined it was best to review the need again. It was recommended they vote no action on this article.

Mr. Timson explained the article is on the warrant and it is the decision of Town Meeting to support it or not.

MOTION moved by Mr. Gallivan to recommend No Action on Article #34, seconded by Mr. Kraus, VOTED 4-0-0

4-6 Special Election Warrant

MOTION moved by Mr. Gallivan to sign the special election warrant for April 30, 2013, seconded by Mr. Timson, VOTED 4-0-0

4-7 Entertainment Licenses

MOTION moved by Mr. Timson to approve the Entertainment licenses for Asian Deli, Clyde's Roadhouse and Conrad's Restaurant seconded by Mr. Gallivan, VOTED 4-0-0

4-9 Pancreatic Cancer Walk/run

MOTION moved by Mr. Timson to approve the request to hold the road race walk for a pancreatic cancer fundraiser on May 19, 2013 seconded by Mr. Gallivan, VOTED 4-0-0

4-10 Walpole Day/ Duck Race

MOTION moved by Mr. Gallivan to hold the annual Walpole Day/Duck Race on May 18, 2013, seconded by Mr. Timson

Mr. Timson raised the issue of closing the downtown during this even. Although a great concept, the challenge is where you close the roads off. They do not have the ability to make it work at this time.

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4-11 thru 4-13 & 4-21 Gift Acceptances

MOTION moved by Mr. Timson to accept the gift acceptances for the Recreation Department and Veteran's Department with gratitude, seconded by Mr. Gallivan, VOTED 4-0-0

MOTION moved by Mr. Gallivan to accept the gift acceptance from Friends of St. Patrick, seconded by Mr. Timson, VOTED 4-0-0

4-14 Spring Town Meeting Articles

MOTION moved by Mr. Gallivan to recommend Favorable Action on Article #2 seconded by Mr. Kraus, VOTED 4-0-0

MOTION moved by Mr. Gallivan to recommend Favorable Action on Article #3  
seconded by Mr. Timson, VOTED 4-0-0

MOTION moved by Mr. Gallivan to recommend Favorable Action on Article #4  
seconded by Mr. Timson VOTED 4-0-0

MOTION moved by Mr. Gallivan to recommend Favorable Action on Article #5  
seconded by Mr. Kraus, VOTED 4-0-0

MOTION moved by Mr. Gallivan to recommend No Action on Article #9 seconded by  
Mr. Timson, VOTED 4-0-0

MOTION moved by Mr. Gallivan to recommend Favorable Action on Article #10  
seconded by Mr. Timson, VOTED 4-0-0

MOTION moved by Mr. Gallivan to recommend No Action on Article #11 seconded  
by Mr. Timson, VOTED 4-0-0

MOTION moved by Mr. Timson to recommend Favorable Action on Article #12  
seconded by Mr. Gallivan, VOTED 4-0-0

MOTION moved by Mr. Gallivan to recommend No Action on Article #17 seconded  
by Mr. Timson, VOTED 4-0-0

MOTION moved by Mr. Gallivan to recommend Favorable Action on Article #18  
seconded by Mr. Timson, VOTED 4-0-0

MOTION moved by Mr. Gallivan to recommend Favorable Action on Article #19  
seconded by Mr. Timson, VOTED 4-0-0

MOTION moved by Mr. Gallivan to recommend Favorable Action on Article #20  
seconded by Mr. Kraus, VOTED 4-0-0

#### 4-22 Set Bond, Hummingbird Lane

MOTION moved by Mr. Timson to set the bond for offsite sidewalk work on High  
Plain Street as part of the Niden Woods Subdivision at \$26,269.20, seconded by Mr.  
Gallivan, VOTED 4-0-0

#### 10:35 pm TA update

Mr. Boynton spoke about the COA grant funds that were turned back to the state. He  
can not tell them why the money was not spent. Up until the last 11 to 12 months  
was reporting to the COA Very happy that the interim director caught it. The State  
was appreciative of the Town's honesty. This is not pointing fingers. We identified  
it and are fixing it.

Town Audit-April 18<sup>th</sup> meeting

Downtown initiative-A huge tip of the cap to Stephanie Mercandetti for securing a grant.

Common Street Library sale update-You no longer own the library

Turner Pond Dam-Dept of Conservation and Recreation make repairs to the Turner Pond Dam. Met today with GZA who is advising town and helping with inspections.

PILOT needed- for solar plant proposal payment in lieu of taxes process. A company is proposing to put solar panels at the end of Industrial Road. Looking for a member of the Board of Selectmen.

New Business-Judge Connor will volunteer his time assisting elderly with issues like Medicare, what is my problem who should I go to.

#### MINUTES

MOTION moved by Mr. Timson to approve the March 7, 2013 minutes , seconded by Mr. Gallivan, VOTED 4-0-0

MOTION moved by Mr. Timson to approve the March 21, 2013 minutes, seconded by Mr. Gallivan, VOTED 4-0-0

MOTION moved by Mr. Timson to adjourn at 10:55, seconded by Mr. Gallivan, VOTED 4-0-0