

The Board of Selectmen met on Tuesday, March 29, 2016 beginning at 7:00pm in the Main Meeting Room of the Town Hall. The following members were present.

Clifton Snuffer, Chairman
James Stanton, Vice Chairman
David Salvatore, Clerk
Mark Gallivan
Eric Kraus

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

Mr. Snuffer called the meeting to order at 7:00pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PROCLAMATIONS

Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans

Mr. Snuffer talked about the proclamation for Vietnam War Veterans. Jim Vlahos explained he is part of the Dear Vietnam Veteran Program which is a letter writing campaign, and they ask everyone to write thank you notes to the Vets and we put the letters into the hands of the Veterans. Mr. Vlahos read the proclamation into the record.

MOTION moved by Mr. Snuffer to sign the Proclamation for Welcome Home Vietnam Veteran's Day, seconded by Mr. Kraus VOTED 4-0-0 (Mr. Salvatore was not present)

Eagle Scout Proclamations

Mr. Kraus read the proclamations for Domenic Colace Jr., Liam Cullinane, Paul Ferraro and William Heiberger into the record.

Mr. Salvatore arrived at 7:10pm

MOTION moved by Mr. Snuffer to sign the Eagle Scout Proclamations, seconded by Mr. Gallivan, VOTED 5-0-0

SPONSORED AGENDA ITEMS

3-28 Statement of Interest votes, WHS, BMS and JMS

Mrs. Gallivan, Chairman of the School Committee introduced other members Bill Buckley, Beth Muccini and Mark Breen. Mrs. Gallivan reported that too many of the School Buildings being fifty years old and need to be replaced or renovated. The MSBA was revamped in 2004, the legislators enacted a bill creating the MSBA, new public authority, school building assistance program. By end of 2006 the debt and backlog was caught up and they began to consider other requests. Waiting for years, now you receive them as they are occurred. The MSBA has changed no waiting list, the initial step, the Statement of Interest the structural need of the district. If the Statement is approved they

want a seat at the table. After determining a solution, you must have a schematic design. Districts do not know how long they have to wait for approval of the SOI, it may take between 4-10 years. Begin a discussion which will involve entire community. Engage the expertise of the MSBA, it makes no sense to propose something they will not support. There will be many opportunities for people to weigh in. They put together the most comprehensive solution. Moving two middle schools into one facility and building a new high school. That has many components, the idea of having one middle school instead of two, the idea of bldg. a new High School instead of a middle school, this is the starting process. It is impossible to know how much we would get, a little less than 50% from the state. This is the first step.

Supt Lynch- The Maguire report focused mostly on municipal bldg. We have Mr. Francesci who will look at the Maguire report. Bring to life thru the building an education plan from the Principal of the High School. Identify the buildings. We have to project out what the needs of the High School will be. Can we house the entire secondary students in one building? Cost of maintaining the buildings. MSBA did ask us to rank and we ranked the High School the highest. Recently renovated for the middle school at the High School. It is an 8 year prospect. About 40 a year are selected by MSBA in the fall between 15-16 projects will be approved. It is a complicated process. We feel it is in the best interest to start the process. The MSBA will not dictate you need a new high school. This is to begin the conversation and determine where our facilities are insufficient. The details are not complete yet.

Mr. Kraus, I do not know the shelf life of a school. What does a seat at the table mean from the MSBA. What involvement does that mean? Superintendent Lynch, they will come and tour in the Fall. They will look at maintenance records and plans. See how staff has taken care of the buildings. They want this to be a partnership, enrollment projections. Number of students measures the square footage. Good investment in Town. Sound educational plan going forward and eventually there would be a design team. Mr. Kraus, what is the advantage of a student going from a smaller school to a larger school. Middle school principal-Sharing resources of faculty and staff, talked at length, smaller school has advantage, we adopted a team model, and going to a bigger building. We would insure our students would still have the same education. The classroom size will not increase.

Mr. Stanton, so the SOI approval is 4-10 years? Mrs. Gallivan, first the SOI has to be approved about 40 out of 200 would get approved each year. After that you work with your community. I am talking about an estimate. How long it takes to get your community to vote on this. Mr. Stanton, so typically there could be 200 submitted and about 20% and then about 7% approved.

Mr. Gallivan thinks it is a great idea to get started with the SOI. The High School and Middle School are tight. The science classrooms are tight, a lot of the space is lacking. They hope to bring a more modern building. Superintendent Lynch the Science labs are small, they hold a lab in the lobby, turn students away from classes as there is not enough space.

Superintendent Lynch, tonight is a vote to take a look at our schools.

Mr. Salvatore, later we are being asked to approve a study. Superintendent Lynch, what we are asking him to do is to look at the Maguire report and bring it up to condition and projections. Look at enrollments and education plan, look at deficiencies of building. S. F. that is necessary for modern education for all three buildings.

Mr. Salvatore questioned which bldg. is in most need of replacement. Superintendent Lynch, physically probably BMS.

Mr. Kraus, why if we are doing this why would we not dissect the entire report for all schools instead of piece meal? Superintendent Lynch, we look at the Elementary schools, the neighborhood feeling. Those buildings are adequate for continuing education. He does not think the middle school house the education plan.

Mr. Snuffer talked about the replacement of the Police/Fire Dept. The buildings must be designed for today and the future requirements. You need to look out what is the process going to look like then. Believes over the next 3-5 years it will be significantly different then today. Need to have a clear understanding to its use and costs. He sees an increase in the population in Walpole. Driven by technology, our buildings do not need to be just cosmetics, cost effective. The School building optimal learning experience must be good for both staff and students. The facility enhances and expedites. The bldg. itself becomes a partner. I am a fan of collaborative learning. I will support this request to see what the future could hold.

Mr. Gallivan you are working on enrollment projections, we have heard discussion of developers about 100's and 100's of housing units/apartments in Downtown as well as Moosehill Road. Not sure about the number but glad they are working through that. It has a direct impact on the schools. Need to see how the proposals shake out when they go to different boards

Mr. Salvatore would like to hear back from the study before making the decision. He is not in favor of any SOI that combines the two middle schools. He thinks the environment may work for the good student, both of those environments. It is not the good students he is concerned about, he is concerned for those with problems could lose them. You already have big problems in the Middle School and to throw them into a school of 952 students because we want a shiny new High School. He can see the town can fix the bldgs. Not replace. I would like the report to decide.

Walpole High School Vote:

MOTION moved by Mr. Gallivan Resolved; Having convened in an open meeting on March 29, 2016, prior to the closing date, the Board of Selectmen of Walpole, 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 March 31, 2016 for the 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. The scope of this project is to consider building a new High School on the current site of Bird Middle School. Once the construction of the new High School is complete, we would remove the Bird Middle

School building and complete the remaining site work. All middle school students would be relocated to our current high school building which would become the new Walpole Middle School. Johnson Middle School would be repurposed to meet the growing space needs of the Town Of Walpole. The Bird Middle School and Johnson Middle School buildings were originally constructed in 1961 and 1966 and have changed very little from their original construction over 50 years ago. The buildings are overcrowded, deficient and or obsolete when compared to modern code and guidelines. A new building would provide the core educational spaces which are consistent with MSBA standards for new construction. The Walpole Municipal Facilities Master Plan study conducted by CDR Maguire in 2013, addresses many of the deficiencies ranging from the educational program to the building infrastructure. The consolidation of both middle school buildings would provide annual savings in addition to providing the middle school students with a significantly more modern facility and the increased space that is not available in our current buildings 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 finding commitment from the Massachusetts School Building Authority, or commits the Town to filing an application for funding with the Massachusetts School Building Authority.

Seconded by Mr. Stanton, VOTED 4-1-0 (Mr. Salvatore opposed)

Bird Middle School Vote:

MOTION by Mr. Gallivan Resolved; Having convened in an open meeting on March 29, 2016, prior to the closing date, the Board of Selectmen of Walpole, 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 March 31, 2016 for the Bird Middle School located at 625 Washington Street, East 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. The scope of this project is to consider building a new High School on the current site of Bird Middle School. Once the construction of the new High School is complete, we would remove the Bird Middle School building and complete the remaining site work. All middle school students would be relocated to our current high school building which would become the new Walpole Middle School. Johnson Middle School would be repurposed to meet the growing space needs of the Town Of Walpole. The Bird Middle School and Johnson Middle School buildings were originally constructed in 1961 and 1966 and have changed very little from their original construction over 50 years ago. The buildings are overcrowded, deficient and or obsolete when compared to modern code and guidelines. A new building would provide the core educational spaces which are consistent with MSBA standards for new construction. The Walpole Municipal Facilities Master Plan study conducted by CDR Maguire in 2013, addresses many of the deficiencies ranging from the educational program to the building infrastructure. The consolidation of both middle school buildings would provide annual savings in addition to providing the middle school students with a significantly more modern facility and the increased space that is not available in our current buildings 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 finding commitment from the Massachusetts School Building Authority, or commits the Town to

filing an application for funding with the Massachusetts School Building Authority. seconded by Mr. Kraus VOTED 4-1-0 (Mr. Salvatore Opposed)

Johnson Middle School Vote:

MOTION moved by Mr. Gallivan Resolved; Having convened in an open meeting on March 29, 2016, prior to the closing date, the Board of Selectmen of Walpole, 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 March 31, 2016 for the Johnson Middle School located at 111 Robbins Road, 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. The scope of this project is to consider building a new High School on the current site of Bird Middle School. Once the construction of the new High School is complete, we would remove the Bird Middle School building and complete the remaining site work. All middle school students would be relocated to our current high school building which would become the new Walpole Middle School. Johnson Middle School would be repurposed to meet the growing space needs of the Town Of Walpole. The Bird Middle School and Johnson Middle School buildings were originally constructed in 1961 and 1966 and have changed very little from their original construction over 50 years ago. The buildings are overcrowded, deficient and or obsolete when compared to modern code and guidelines. A new building would provide the core educational spaces which are consistent with MSBA standards for new construction. The Walpole Municipal Facilities Master Plan study conducted by CDR Maguire in 2013, addresses many of the deficiencies ranging from the educational program to the building infrastructure. The consolidation of both middle school buildings would provide annual savings in addition to providing the middle school students with a significantly more modern facility and the increased space that is not available in our current buildings 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 finding commitment from the Massachusetts School Building Authority, or commits the Town to filing an application for funding with the Massachusetts School Building Authority. seconded by Mr. Stanton, VOTED 4-1-0 (Mr. Salvatore Opposed)

3-37 Award of RFP Contract 2016-25, Secondary Schools space

Mr. Johnson explained the town received four bids and he concurs with their recommendations. The representative of DRA, third generation was present. Education facility design is their expertise. They specialize in design and study, feasibility studies. He thinks the scope has been described. Mr. Kraus is the Maguire report the starting report as it should not be the end all. Their target is to complete the task in September. Mr. Salvatore believes it is important to have an expert in the process but thinks the cart is before the horse. He would have like to have the results before he made any decision with the SOI.

MOTION moved by Mr. Kraus to award RFP Contract for secondary schools space options study to DRA of Waltham Mass in the amount of \$28,500, contingent upon the funds being received from community compact seconded by Mr. Gallivan, VOTED 5-0-0

OPEN FORUM-No one present

3-29 Traffic Rules and Order Amendments

Chief Carmichael talked about the CBD parking lot. This is the lot off Main and Glenwood behind the store fronts southbound on RT1A. This has turned into a quality of life issue for some of the business owners. We never adopted any restrictions and they were not added into the Traffic Rules and order. Some abuse by commuters. Only one sign that was posted and it was never added. What we ran into is we could no enforce any of the parking regulations there. Trying to help the business owners and residents there, looked at the regulations. We posted 2 hour parking that has not been enforced we needed to update the regulations; we have presented that to you. In reviewing this, old parking restrictions were still in there. We made the amendments and the request. Even if we put this in the orders, we still have the issue is how do we determine who should be parking there and who should not. Parking permits type of idea. Placard you could hang on your mirror. The business owners and residents would be able to get a permit to hang in their car. We have noticed since the signs are up it is better.

Mr. Snuffer noted one of the most important aspects of this. Who owns what? The owners of the property have every right to think those deeded to them should be theirs. A lot of the middle island those are the areas most abused. One thing we owe to police and fire and business is to have a town hall meeting. What is being proposed can endanger all the parking? There is the probability of 800 to 1000 people living close to that area.

Mr. Salvatore spoke to the map and asked if the green outlined area is unrestricted parking. The Chief noted the town of Walpole owns that and the Blue are Town also. Mr. Salvatore, would the permit allow employees to park in any of those spots. Chief Carmichael if we can lessen the commuter parking it will help. Mr. Salvatore has heard some of the employees park their vehicles on the street all day long. Looking at this lot, maybe should consider the spaces closest to business be restricted to customers and not the employees. He thinks people ignore those lots because they can never find parking. He would prefer to give permits for the downtown employees to them for across the street in the parking area behind the Fire Station. Open the spaces downtown for the customers. He would like to see those permitted people stay away from the side closest to the Main Street. Make it more convenient for customers. They want to help the owners, customers and residents.

Gene Reilly 40years, we have 12-14 employees, and he was not aware of a serious parking problem. Someone put up 2 hour parking signs. There seems to be adequate spots.

Peter Musto things have been pretty good since the two hour signs. He thinks the two hour parking is working out well. We try to have people park in the back. There are deeded rights; we wanted to be sure our tenants have deeded rights. It will never be perfect. Ricardo, first step has been taken, some issues with tenants. My employees may come and go so he does not see a sticker working. We need to think of the future if

those condos are coming in. The first step has been taken. He has seen an improvement.

MOTION moved by Mr. Kraus to adopt the amendments to Article V in the Traffic Rules and Oder as follows

1. ARTICLE V - PARKING - Section 5 TIME LIMITED IN DESIGNATED PLACES amend first paragraph to - No person shall park a vehicle for longer than two hours at any time between the hours of 9AM and 7PM of any day except Sundays and public holidays in the following described streets of parts thereof:
2. ARTICLE V - PARKING - Section 5 TIME LIMITED IN DESIGNATED PLACES amend 19th line to - Glenwood Ave, southerly side beginning at a point 20 feet west of West Street, and extending for 90 feet - two hour parking between the hours of 9AM and 7PM of any day except Sundays and public holidays.
3. ARTICLE V - PARKING - Section 5 TIME LIMITED IN DESIGNATED PLACES insert in line 20 - Glenwood Ave. - Central Business District Parking Lot, no person shall park a vehicle for longer than two hours at any time between the hours of 9AM and 7PM of any day except Sundays and public holidays. In order to accommodate existing easements for overnight parking and parking for merchants, their employees, and contiguous resident's, exemptions may be permitted for CBD lot provided they obtain an official parking permit from Walpole Town Hall.
4. ARTICLE V - PARKING - Section 5 TIME LIMITED IN DESIGNATED PLACES Amend - Main Street, from Stone Street to East Street by striking - Weekdays only from 9AM to 8PM.
Amend - West Street, easterly side from Front Street to Main Street by striking - 8AM to 7PM. Amend - Front Street, northerly side from West Street to Main Street by striking Two hour parking.
5. ARTICLE V - PARKING - Section 3 BUS STOPS Amend (b) twice from bust stop to bus stop.

Seconded by, Mr. Stanton VOTED 5-0-0

VOTE SPRING TOWN MEETING ARTICLES

Article #2- Mr. Snuffer noted the seniors on Social Security are not getting an increase in salary. If you look at all the cities and towns, most are around 2% cost of living raise for nonunion. Some point this town the Federal Government should not be giving zero. Mr. Stanton, the personnel Board looked at it and Finance Committee looked at it. Mr. Gallivan thinks the Federal government is balancing the budget on the back of the seniors. He does understand but will support the 2% cost of living.

Article 2- MOTION moved by Mr. Stanton to recommend Favorable Action, seconded by Mr. Kraus VOTED 3-1-1 (Mr. Snuffer abstained, Mr. Salvatore opposed)

Article 3 –MOTION moved by Mr. Kraus for no action, seconded by Mr. Stanton,
VOTED 5-0-0

Article 9 – MOTION moved by Mr. Kraus for no action seconded by Mr. Stanton,
VOTED 5-0-0

Article 10 - MOTION moved by Mr. Kraus for no action, seconded by Mr. Stanton,
VOTED 5-0-0

Article 11, 12, and 13 Capital- Will invite the capital budget committee in to discuss.

Article #15 MOTION moved by Mr. Kraus to recommend Favorable Action, seconded
by Mr. Gallivan VOTED 5-0-0

Article #16-MOTION moved by Mr. Kraus to recommend favorable action on article 16
and direct the Town Administrator to change the amount listed in the spending limit for
the Recreation fund from \$700,000 to \$600,00, seconded by Mr. Stanton VOTED 5-0-0

Article # 17- Mr. Johnson spoke on how to designate \$1,369.067 for the Fire Station.

MOTION moved by Mr. Kraus to recommended Favorable Action seconded by Mr.
Gallivan, VOTED 5-0-0

Article #18 They have issued new guidelines they want the funds to be appropriated by
Town Meeting.

MOTION moved by Mr. Snuffer to recommend Favorable Action, seconded by Mr.
Salvatore, VOTED 4-1-0 (Mr. Kraus opposed)

Article #19 - The community choice electrical aggregation program. Mr. Johnson will be
attending a meeting next week. Mr. Gallivan the good thing it locks the town into one
provider, but residents can still get what they want.

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

Capital

Sewer and Water would you like Mr. Mattson and Chairman comes in. Performa Cliff
wants.

3-34 A-Frame Request, Girl Scouts

MOTION moved by Mr. Kraus to grant permission for the girl scouts to place an A-
Frame on the common from April 1 to April 9, seconded by Mr. Stanton, VOTED 5-0-0

3-35 Village Fair and Road race

MOTION moved by Mr. Kraus to approve the request to hold the 68th Village Fair on June 11, 2016 and to conduct a road race starting at 8:45 am and to allow use of the Common and closing of Front street , seconded by Mr. Stanton, VOTED 5-0-0

3-36 Award of Bid 2016-25 Electrical maintenance & traffic signal devices

Mr. Johnson spoke in support of the Bid.

MOTION moved by Mr. Kraus to award contract No. 2016-25 to Anderson Electrical Contractors for traffic signal devices and all associated devices, seconded by Mr. Stanton VOTED 5-0-0

3-38 Surplus Equipment, Request from IT Director

Mr. Johnson will check with the school to see if they are interested in any of the items.

MOTION moved by Mr. Kraus to declare the computer equipment listed in the memo from IT Director, Michael Donovan dated March 15, 2016 as surplus seconded by Mr. Stanton, VOTED 5-0-0

3-39 to 3-41 Gift Acceptances

MOTION moved by Mr. Salvatore to accept the most generous gift from the JWCW with gratitude in the amount of \$5,000 for the Carolyn Woodward playground, seconded by Mr. Gallivan, VOTED 5-0-0

MOTION moved by Mr. Salvatore, to accept the gift from the Walpole Woman's Club with gratitude in the amount of \$100 for the Library, seconded by Mr. Gallivan VOTED 5-0-0

MOTION moved by Mr. Salvatore to accept the most generous gift from the Bird Middle School with gratitude in the amount of \$2,211.33 for the Council on Aging seconded by Mr. Gallivan, VOTED 5-0-0

3-46 Bid Award, Crack Sealing

MOTION moved by Mr. Kraus, to award contract no. 2016-22 to Sealcoating, Inc. for crack sealing for an estimated total of \$33,480.00, seconded by Mr. Salvatore, VOTED 5-0-0

3-48 Reappointments

MOTION moved by Mr. Salvatore to reappoint the members wishing to continue to serve or not as listed in document 3-48,

Constable

Chief John Carmichael 4/1/2019

Board of Health

Carol Johnson 4/1/2019

Conservation Commission

James Finnegan 4/1/2019

Economic Development Commission (5yr)

Donnell Murphy 4/1/2021

Historical Commission

Roger Turner 4/1/2019

Insurance Advisory

Kevin Feeley 4/1/2019

Stephen Fitzgerald 4/1/2019

Pond Management Committee

Daniel Ryan 4/1/2019

David Melish 4/1/2019

Shawn McDonald 4/1/2017

Mark Dalton Jr. 4/1/2017

Zoning Board of Appeals (5yr)

Timothy Foley 4/1/2017

Not seeking reappointment

Jackie Huckle, Historical Commission

Seconded by Mr. Stanton, VOTED 5-0-0

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR UPDATE

Budgets-Finance Committee has voted, the Board is going to need to vote on the budgets soon.

Police and Fire- The Police Station schematic design is just about wrapped up. We are working on the specs for the technology (radios, phones, data, computers, etc. The Fire station is still being worked on. The roof lines are going to be presented to the PBC soon for their consideration. PBC reviewed and sent it back. He met with Jack Conroy, Fire Chief, Engineering and Tom Gregory, temporary facility in the back of the Fire dept. Once we have a plan in place we will present to you the plan.

Town Report-The report is done we are just finalizing the cover pages. Once the cover pages are done he will get it to the publisher.

Snow and ice-After the storm last week we have approximately \$320,000 in the account.

MINUTES

MOTION moved by Mr. Kraus to approve the minutes of March 1, 2016, seconded by Mr. Gallivan, VOTED 5-0-0

MOTION moved by Mr. Kraus to adjourn at 9:25 pm seconded by Mr. Gallivan, VOTED 5-0-0