

The Board of Selectmen met on Tuesday, April 26, 2016 beginning at 6:30pm in the Main Meeting Room of the Town Hall. The following members were present.

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

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

Mr. Snuffer Called the meeting to order. The Girl Scouts Color guard presented the American Flag as well as Girl Scout flags which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Joan Hurwitz spoke on behalf of the Girl Scouts and introduced the leaders from each Troop that was present when the girls were receiving their awards.

Troop 75157, Amanda Russo and Sabin Aziz leaders. The troop did the Dove soap love the skin you're in. Spread the word to love the skin you are in, act of kindness, not focusing on your outward appearance. Spreading word to younger generations. We had a dance Party, posters and the girls wrote 3 original screen plays and performed. The following earned the Bronze Award as Junior Girl Scouts, Grades 4/5.

Members:

Mahyra Afif, Annie Cameron, Anna Durso, Sophia Ketchen, Anna Martin, Jenna Murphy, Emily O'Donnell  
Ava Russo and Sophia Theofilou

Troop 74705- Christine Wilson, Beth Taylor leaders. The troop did a project named Smile, visit nursing homes and Boston VA, made baked goods and brought them and played games and visited with people there, 5-7 nursing homes. The Boston VA was a little more difficult. The following earned the Bronze Award as Junior Girl Scouts. Kelsey Wilson, Sydney Taylor, Grace Ward, Nina LaRusso, Alexis Gay

Troop 74712- The Girls did not show up. Ms. Hurwitz read what they did for their bronze award. Helped homeless animals at local shelters. Making dog and cat toys, visited with animals, and raised money to purchase items on the shelter's wish list. They Meghan Doucette, Julia McLane, Allison Canavan, Maggie Mahoney

Troop 74768- Raising awareness, concern of lack of funding in the Scout house. Were able to raise and donate funds to the scout house. The following received their Bronze

Award. Brianna Baker, Veronica Bock, Rachel Burke, Jessica Elmhurst, Kelly Morris, Juliana Webster

Troop 74349-Katrina Evans – learn how to take care of young children. We arranged for babysitting training course. Organized several early release. Made over 50 baby bags and brought them to a hospital. They developed a babysitting Directory. They helped children at a petting zoo at the Union Church Fair and at the Jumpy House at Boyden fun run in order to allow parents to focus their attention on their other children for periods of time at these events.

They put in average of 70 hours each. They earned their Silver Award. Katelyn Evans, Jenny Kravitsky, Emma Thorsen ,Valentine McLaughlin.

Troop 7476 they chose to work in smaller groups. Healthy cooking classes, teaching them benefits of healthy eating. Healthy cooking classes - Anna and Katie created a series of 8 weeks with up to 18 elementary children teaching them about the benefits of healthy eating. They developed fun games for the children to learn about nutrition, as well as discussed a positive outlook on being healthy and body image. In addition to learning about the benefits of healthy eating, they spent time each week preparing and cooking healthy foods and then eating their creations. The troop split up into small groups achieving different accomplishments. They earned Silver Award. Anna McDonald-Martin and Katie Hurwitz

The next girls taught classes to elementary school students. They made blankets and crate liners for pets, and cat and dog toys. The students could then take what they learned and "pay it forward" someday. They taught the girls what items many pet shelters are in need of. They attended and sold these items at the Neponset Valley Pet Walk to raise money for them. The rest they donated to that organization. They also had a pet food drive, put box at library and donated these items to the Attleboro Animal shelter. They toured the shelter and gave them the donations. They earned Silver Award. Ariana Lencioni, Emily Smith and Julia Naples

The next girls volunteered at New Pond Village and helped to expand cultural diversity and companionship for the residents at New Pond Village. They performed traditional Indian dance routines, explaining the significance of the body, head, eye, and hand movements for the songs. They shared their native culture with the residents as well as performed musical entertainment on the flute. As both of the girls have family members far away, they understand how people are separated from family, as many of the residents have few family members to visit them. Tanya and Smera wanted to "close the gap" with their companionship, participating in games and other social functions with the residents. They also earned Silver Award. Tanya Gupta and Smera Gora

### Proclamation-Gold Star

Katie made a cookbook using Boardmaker software (picture cues to go with words) so that young children who cannot yet read, or students with special needs who can no read well or not read at all, can learn to cook. Katie distributed 35 copies of the cookbook amongst all the Walpole Public Schools, to the Children's section of the Walpole Public Library, to TEC (The Education Cooperative), to Bi-County Collaborative, and House of Possibilities. Katie DeBlasio earned the Gold Award the highest a Scout can earn.

Mr. Kraus read the Proclamation for Katie into the record.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PROCLAMATIONS

### **4-18 Arbor Day Proclamation**

Mr. Kraus read the proclamation into the record.

MOTION moved by Mr. Stanton to sign the Proclamation for Arbor Day, seconded by Mr. Gallivan, VOTED 5-0-0

## SPONSORED AGENDA ITEMS

### **4-21, 4-22 Chapter 90 Funds**

Robert O'Brien appeared before the Board requesting the Board's approval of two Chapter 90 requests. They are micro surfacing without the stone. They are looking to go back to the chipseal next year, it is longer lasting product. We try to stretch the dollar as much as we can.

MOTION moved by Mr. Kraus to sign the Chapter 90 Project requests for Type I resurfacing in the amounts of \$746,949.86 and \$111,422.50, seconded by Mr. Stanton, VOTED 5-0-0

### **4-23 Special Police Appointments (these are one year appointments)**

MOTOIN moved by Mr. Kraus to appoint William Bausch and Steven Palmer as Special Police Officers for the Town of Walpole as requested by Chief Carmichael, seconded by Mr. Gallivan, VOTED 5-0-0

### **4-24 Texas Roadhouse, Change in Manager**

Mr. Berry explained he is the new manager at the Walpole location. He has been in the restaurant business for over 20 years. Worked at Bugaboo Creek.

MOTION moved by Mr. Kraus to approve the change in manager for Texas Roadhouse , 102D Providence Highway from Brian Franciosi to Brian Berry , seconded by Mr. Gallivan, VOTED 5-0-0

**4-25 Renewal of Junk Dealers/Junk Collectors Licenses**

MOTION moved by Mr. Salvatore to renew the Junk Collectors license for Allied Recycling Center Inc. seconded by Mr. Gallivan, VOTED 5-0-0

MOTION moved by Mr. Salvatore to renew the Junk Dealers license for Allied Recycling Center, Inc.; Game Stop 6463; Keystone Jewelers; Re-Plays; Second Glance; and Westside Stamp & Coin. Seconded by Mr. Gallivan VOTED 5-0-0

**4-28 Use of Adams Farm June 18**

MOTION moved by Mr. Salvatore to approve the use of Adams Farm on June 18, 2016 for a Run/Walk on the trails, seconded by Mr. Kraus VOTED 5-0-0

**4-29 Use of Adams Farm May 22, 2016**

MOTION moved by Mr. Salvatore to approve the use of Adams Farm on May 22, 2016 for a trail race, seconded by Mr. Kraus, VOTED 5-0-0

**4-30 Article #20, STM**

This is a result of an issue that came up a few months ago. Came up recently with the development of Eastover Rd. With this requirement Site Plan Review would be necessary. Mr. Snuffer questioned what is the resolution to that area. It was noted by Mr. Johnson the sewer and water dept. were working on the looping requirement. They made them own it. The developer does not want to pursue it.

MOTION moved by Mr. Kraus to recommend Favorable Action on Article #20, seconded by Mr. Gallivan, VOTED 5-0-0

**4-31 John Papirio, Reappointment**

MOTION moved by Mr. Kraus to reappoint John Papirio to the Committee for Alcohol and Drug Awareness as a Regular member, seconded by Mr. Gallivan, VOTED 5-0-0

**4-32 One Day All Alcohol, St Mary's Parish**

MOTION moved by Mr. Salvatore to grant a one day all alcohol license to St Mary's Parish on May 7, 2016 seconded by Mr. Kraus, VOTED 5-0-0

**4-33 One Day All Alcohol, Knights of Columbus**

MOTION moved by Mr. Salvatore to grant a one day All Alcohol license to Knights of Columbus for May 7, 2016, seconded by Mr. Kraus, VOTED 5-0-0

**4-34 One Day All Alcohol, Knights of Columbus**

MOTION moved by Mr. Salvatore to grant a one day All Alcohol license to Knights of Columbus for May 14, 2016, seconded by Mr. Kraus, VOTED 5-0-0

**4-35,4-36, 4-37 Gift Acceptance**

MOTION moved by Mr. Salvatore to accept the gifts from AFSCME local 1957 in the amount of \$500 for the Veterans Dept., Clifton Snuffer in the amount of \$100 for Town Forest Committee Dedham Savings Bank in the amount of \$500 for the Town Forest Committee

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

**4-38 Acceptance of Bench for Ramada Area**

MOTION moved by Mr. Salvatore to accept the donation of a picnic bench to be installed in the new picnic Ramada in Spring Brook park from the Walpole Trails Committee and two citizens, seconded by Mr. Kraus VOTED 5-0-0

**Town Administrators Update**

Town Meeting-Town meeting is Monday night. The packets went out to the members last week and the information can be found on the website.

Finance Committee public hearing- The meeting will be Thursday night at 7:30pm in Room 112. He then talked about the need for a Firefighter and maybe temporary police due to injuries.

Community Compact- Lt Governor is coming to Walpole on Thursday April 28<sup>th</sup> at 11:30am in the Community Room at the Library.

Town Forest Celebration scheduled to take place on May 1 at 11 am. Mr. Snuffer announced the celebrations that will take place.

The Wake for the Firefighter who passed away suddenly, Ryan Ferreria will be Sunday, May 1 and Funeral Monday morning in New Bedford. This was not a work related death.

Deputy Fire Chief, with the loss of the Firefighter Ferreria we have to reschedule the interviews. The Chief has been approached by departments that will help with coverage. Mr. Snuffer, when we as a Board interview candidates it is a celebratory day. They

bring their families in to that celebration. We see the joyous aspect. Reflection of this when we get to a situation what public safety and we send them into harm's way, I think about the 911 issue, people were running from they were running in. The incident on Norton Ave, brought a lot of it to the forefront, the injured FF is a member of my extended family. Talked about the graduation ceremony. We need to remind them how proud we are of them.

Mr. Snuffer asked for a moment of silence in memory of Ryan.

7:40 **4-26 Articles 11, 12, 13, 14**

Ed Forsberg, Chairman of Capital Budget Committee came to discuss the articles.

He reviewed Article #6, Sewer Pump Station Rehab. They voted 6-0-0

Article 7 water department cast iron main replacement. The vote was 6-0-0

Mr. Snuffer noted the Selectmen voted these articles and they had a conversation about this with S&W. A look at what we think the building process will look like.

Article 8 is Water Booster Pump Station Rehab. There are four booster stations throughout the town. Vote was 6-0-0.

Article 11 Vital record Management, in Town hall, have someone come in and look at all the records for Finance Dept., Payroll and Assessors. Voted was 6-0-0.

Clarks pond, Turners pond treatment. There was concern in the past there would not be enough money. This will be put into an escrow account. The vote was 6-0-0.

Mr. Snuffer asked if they are going to have the memorial pond. Mr. Johnson explained they are. They put in for a grant; we are proceeding forward with design and permit to start that process. Mr. Snuffer lets remind Congressman Lynch for his love of that pond.

Turco Field replacement account- I believe the Recreation department, the user fees, each user was going to donate a portion. I do not know the contribution from Recreation user fees. Mr. Johnson stated \$22,000 from user fees. Mr. Forsberg noted the cost to replace is \$580,000. They say it is good for 12-15 years. The company is doing a great job maintain. The vote was 6-0-0

Build maintenance-replace roof at JMS and balance and replace windows at JMS and OPR.

Nitrogen sprinkler system, fill the piping with nitrogen to keep it from corroding. Asbestos abatement program-proactive project, asbestos on piping etc. and remove as much as possible.

Floor replacement system wide-where needed, Don Anderson would prioritize same with painting and siding. 6-0-0

We have spent 9.1 million on school rehab.

## Article 12

Fire Dept.-breathing apparatus, we will replace 25. The chief has applied for a grant.  
WFD domain controller- the controller for the Fire Dept.

Police Dept-18 defibrillators each one of the cruisers and 2 spares at the station. They have a life span of 5 years.

Unmarked car- Detective car- The Dept. has 8 unmarked cruisers. Voted 5-1-0  
Patrol rifles purchase 5 semi-automatic rifles. For Motorcycles and cruisers. Vote 5-1-0  
Tasers each officer has their own Tasers, 2 for new hires and 3 spares. Whenever they are deployed they have to be reset. Vote 6-0-0

COA- current van is a 2003. We will apply for a grant, some donations. This will allow the Recreation dept. to transfer people to events. Mr. Snuffer this is the one the Friends paid for but had restrictions.

DPW Vehicles maintenance talked about each one 2002 only has 40,000 miles on it, but Tom says it is rusting away it is in need of repair.

Parks dept. Hazardous tree removal  
School dept. to replace computers, servers, wiring.  
District wide phones the system we use is antiquated.

Article #13 Street sidewalk improvements  
Talked about the list of streets. The vote was 6-0-0

Article #14, streets and sidewalks. Reviewed the list of streets and sidewalks.

MOTION moved by Mr. Kraus to recommend Favorable Action on Article 11, seconded by Mr. Gallivan VOTED 5-0-0

MOTION moved by Mr. Kraus to recommend Favorable Action on Article 12, seconded by Mr. Gallivan VOTED 5-0-0

MOTION moved by Mr. Kraus to recommend Favorable Action on Article 13, seconded by Mr. Gallivan VOTED 5-0-0

MOTION moved by Mr. Kraus to recommend Favorable Action on Article 14, seconded by Mr. Gallivan VOTED 5-0-0

## Fire Department temporary Operations Location

The Permanent Building Committee appeared before the Board to discuss the options for the temporary locations of the Fire Department during the construction of the new Station in the Downtown. The choices for the location are either the DPW yard or behind the current fire station in the Parking Lot.

Mr. Snuffer noted the Fire Department has had a trying week, on behalf of the Board; we take your pleasure in your recommendations for Firefighters. We see the actual part of the jog while people are running out you are running in. We admire all of our Public Safety issues. Passing FF Ryan Ferreira express our sorrow to his family.

Jack Conroy, PBC Chairman I am representing the PBC, the building we are talking about is temporary not permanent Fire station. The DPW yard is a site, but it became obvious, the Chief expressed the reason for downtown is safety and response time. Maybe we can relocate the buildings to the DPW for future use. Explore the opportunity Downtown parking. Loss of spaces vs. public safety. They have come back and shown how to restripe the municipal parking lot. This is a concept plan. The temporary building would be in the flattest area. Many options to put parking back again. It is a rented facility. What you have in front of you tonight is a work in progress, we do not want to move the garage the tents and the trailers. You have the option to send it to the DPW yard or to the municipal parking lot. They can restripe parking spaces along the guard rail.

Spoke of the loss of parking spaces. Mr. Snuffer felt it was very little spaces lost. It is a net loss net gain. Forty lost spaces. How many exist on this plan. There are 96 spaces. It is a wash. The police are going to take over in front of Stone Street. I think the net loss was not that great.

It was noted the structure will probably be there for at least two years.

This is a whole new public safety building. They have restriped along the guardrail, carved anywhere we can around existing building for parking. Mr. Snuffer noted, so it is a minor loss of spaces. Not a real loss.

Mr. Gallivan noted on the sheet we have it shows 42 space loss. Maybe it is a re-shift of spaces. They could create a net gain if you want to add near stone field.

Mr. Conroy explained how they have been re-shifted. You are losing the 40, behind TD Bank and restriping. There will be a re-shift of spaces, if you have a business there. What he likes about it, the net loss is few. Suggested additional parking near Blackburn and near field.

Mr. Johnson, talking about 41 spaces not striped shown on plan in blue. That is where the question is; they estimate there are 41 spaces there. That is where we are coming up with the number. They are unstriped. When we do this change the spaces will be 145. Mr. Johnson, we can put the parking across the street for the Firefighters. Mr. Snuffer is concerned about public safety and response time. The business owners want to know if they are going to have parking problem. If I have something that is a functional equivalency I might have an inconvenience. Are the businesses going to have a



problem? Mr. Conroy felt the parking gets pushed closer to them. Mr. Snuffer talked about the Mail trucks and commuters who park in the lot. He wants to make sure we are not far off from what we have to what we are going to get. Mr. Salvatore, there seems like there is a difference of 42. The plan shows a difference of 42. How is it being used? Is a loss of 42 going to impact the businesses? Are the Post office trucks still going to be there? How many are commuters, do you know? Maybe we get rid of the commuters before this happens. The proposed timing of this project is December 1 there is time to work on the commuter and mail truck issue.

Discussion about access to the spaces as currently it is a wide open lot. , Mr. Stanton envisions, two temporary operations building and then the trailers to the right. If you are going to Jalapenos, how do you know there is public parking behind the temp operations building? The only one that will be back there will be Daltons and the new Italian Restaurant. Mr. Johnson noted there will be signage.

Donnell Murphy-disadvantage could not see where the structure is going. We sat in this room about public parking. This is kind of going in to play with this, even with the net spaces I hope you have been calculating. When we do the Kendall Building there is going to be a loss of parking spaces. I think that will impact the town. I assume all the spaces for the parking for police and fire. Two year deal, construction aspect parking of the workers on the building. There will be 40-50 people. Those have been accounted for and have spaces for the number of people. We have not been able to see the plan. If it were short term, not two years that would be different. I think you should have a meeting with downtown business about the parking.

It was explained the whole building shown in grey, will be parking inside for the workers. The laydown area will be in front of Blackburn Hall.

Ricardo-you have to take into consideration parking for Jalapenos. Handicap entrance and parking is in the rear and he is concerned about that.

Mr. Snuffer believes the merchants were notified. Elizabeth Dennehy sent out notification that this was taking place, it was sent from EDC. She explained they did it by individual business. The letter went to those business owners, not the property owners. It was on Tuesday of last week. A large package of them went out.

Mr. Gallivan, the big issue, where will this go. He is a believer that public safety needs to be in the downtown. They have some time to work on the parking. If the merchants have not had enough time to weigh in. Mr. Snuffer also wants it in the downtown area about the great loss. Mr. Johnson wanted to know if there is an acceptable loss. The board would like to see a restriped plan and drive the commuters out of there. Work on the parking, if the businesses have not had time to weigh in, give them a chance to see the plan. Based on this plan there is no loss. Mr. Gallivan noted the sheet does show a loss, but when you draw in the unstriped space.

It was suggested by Mr. Kraus they get rid of this plan and give the board a new schematic of no loss spots, if that is the case. If we have merchants that loose handicap spaces that are a concern. Need to figure out a better way to contact the business and property owners. Our commercial residents are important.

It was recommended we can have a workshop on this. That can happen in a couple of weeks' notice. Mr. Johnson asked the Board to vote their support of a location for the temporary operations of the fire station/department.

MOTION moved by Mr. Gallivan that Board of Selectmen approves the temporary operations location for the fire department during the construction of the new Fire station to be behind the current Central fire station in the municipal parking lot as shown on a plan as Temp Ops Layout Option 1, to be further reviewed at a later time when we can see a detailed parking plan which shows no net loss of spaces in the general area, seconded by Mr. Kraus,

Discussion:

Ken Tracey-owns beauty salon and Tracey properties stated he did not get notice of this meeting. He interviewed those businesses on East St and they have not heard about this. He thinks there will be a big deficit in parking. Behind his building there are spaces that are not designated but my people use them. Places that are not designated parking spaces. I cannot understand why there is no other plan. Why can't you use the field for trailers and tents, divide the department, or put some down in East Walpole. Several of these businesses will close down. The new owner of the Restaurant gave him a letter and is not happy. This parking is going to be a problem. In the end it is going to hurt small businesses. I thought the Selectmen supported small businesses.

Mr. Snuffer stated they will take a look at this and we will invite you to the meetings.

VOTED 5-0-0

Mr. Conroy suggested if we are going to create new spaces we should try to make them permanent.

MOTION moved by Mr. Kraus to adjourn at 8:40 pm, seconded by Mr. Gallivan,  
VOTED 5-0-0