

The Board of Selectmen met on Tuesday, February 3, 2015 beginning at 7:00pm in the Main Meeting Room of the Town Hall. Mr. Timson was absent. The following were present.

Mark Gallivan, Chairman  
Nancy Mackenzie, Clerk  
James Stanton  
Clifton Snuffer

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

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

7pm Chief Bailey, quarterly update

Chief Bailey updated the Board on emergency calls for year. The inspections were up, total calls for service were 5,512 or average of sixteen calls per day. Since the beginning of the year have been busy. Has created a strain on his budget, keeping an eye on it. Ambulance total \$879,355, receipts \$ 389,000 from July to December. We are off from last year by \$15,000. Our new software program went into place. Ironing thru some of the bugs. Happy with program, fire prevention work with the Building. dept. On January 1 a new code NFPA went out which related a lot of questions and they are working on them. This is for fire prevention, fire codes. The department is working with students on a documentary. They are interviewing and filming. Our new engine arrived on Jan 14 it is not in service yet due to weather. Hope within the next 2-3 weeks. The new ambulance not be here until March. The Tank truck will be ready for spring. Applied for our SAFE grant and waiting to hear back on that. The QIQA training is going very well. It is an all in-house program. EMT training and paramedic recertification and high voltage training. Currently has three firefighters out on injury and one has been out since Halloween. Hope to get them back shortly. Thanked the Board for their effort for the new Fire Station. The issue that came up is the fire hydrants which are buried in snow. They are very important and could use the residents help. The department does shovel hydrants, but there are a lot out there.

Discussion on the station roof. It is leaking. Mr. Johnson noted they do not have money for that. Mr. Snuffer is concerned with the health and safety of the employees and wanted to know if it becomes an issue.

The new codes have a lot of their requirements going to the Building dept. They are trying to streamline the process but the fees are higher.

### Chief Stillman, Quarterly

Chief Stillman reported the Calls for service in the department. Community efforts Senior police academy great successes. They enjoy listening to the officers. Great opportunity for both the seniors and officers. Have them understand what we do and how we do it. They did a training exercise at the High School which was a significant event and well received. We are ahead of a lot of communities. The survey is on the website, answers came back positive. What people think about staff. Recent storms have been dramatic; the DPW has done a fantastic job. The travel ban made a big difference. Longview Farm, since we spoke there have been 6 incidents. All officers are carrying Tasers now and it is a time consuming process to get the policy in place. We have a good policy which was issued November 1. Two deployments and both cases the people did not want to be taced. We have one candidate in the Boston Police Academy I thank you for all your efforts regarding the override.

Mr. Snuffer wanted to know if the HFLW has cameras. Mr. Stillman stated they do in public areas, whether the police could have access he thinks they would have to subpoena for them. They have never denied us access. Mr. Stillman noted the boy the resident of Lincoln Road was talking about at the previous meeting had just gotten to Longview. Mr. Snuffer questioned if they have had obstruction of Justice. I could not imagine having a camera in the kitchen and the dormitory. The Chief explained they have to have probable cause.

Mr. Stanton talked about the training at the HS and included middle school staff. Did it include elementary? The Chief said no, let's see how it goes. It cannot be done the same way because of the age of the children. I think they will do it for them but it will be different.

### 2-1 Courtney Riley, COA Membership

Ms. Riley appeared before the Board on behalf of the Board amending the membership the Board. Currently they have 15 Regular and 5 associates and we have only had 9 members attending over the last few months. They have not made quorum in 4 months. It was recommended that the membership be decreased by 4 regular members and 3 associate members.

MOTION moved by Mrs. Mackenzie to amend the Council on Aging policy and procedures to allow for eleven (11) Regular members and two (2) associate members. Seconded by Mrs. Snuffer, VOTED 4-0-0

### 2-2 Adams Farm usage fees and trail

Mr. David Lehto appeared before the Board to seek approval of two requests from Adams Farm. They are seeking approval of one walking trail it will only be for

walking nothing else. The second issue is the usage fees. The commercial use we voted on \$1,000 but also have a smaller scale for smaller uses.

We received a \$1,000 for a photo shoot; go with a lower rate if it were a smaller function. The Board discussed the fee schedule. They would like to see more information relating to this. Suggested they reach out to other towns to see what they charge and how their schedule is set up. They want to be sure they are charging the same for everyone. They will not vote on the fee schedule this evening.

The Board members like the idea of the walking trail.

MOTION moved by Mrs. Mackenzie to approve the creation of a walking trail on Adams Farm as presented on the Plan, seconded by Mr. Snuffer, VOTED 4-0-0

### Walmart Pharmacist Recognition

Chief Stillman reported that DA Morrissey put together a plan about prescription monitoring plan. Most People that come in use the drugs legitimately, people with prescriptions they are the norm. We went to the pharmacies and encouraged them to take a proactive role in dispensing pharmaceuticals. Wal-Mart stood out and wanted to hear what we had to say. They use the program I want to applaud, two pharmacists Mary Linda London and Robert Riley.

Ms. London stated they always use the profile, someone kept coming in and they were trying to get 180 Percocet's. That is a large amount. She reached out to the doctor and he informed her that he did not write a prescription. Ms. Chapell noted they did the right thing. We hope all our pharmacists will use it. This is a big program in Norfolk County. She invited Assistance DA to come up.

Assistant DA Jen Rowan said she is proud to be here to extend commendations to a number of residents and employees making Walpole a safer place. Looking for ways to be creative. We lost 91 people in Norfolk County. We look to Walpole because they are forward thinking. Before we became involved, went to the pharmacies and introduced themselves and explained the safe storage of medicines. Dave Morgan 30 year pharmacist and Ryan Walker part of the DA's office.

Citation to the Walpole Police Dept. Thank you very much. The second citation goes to Robin Chapell. DA has issued citation to the pharmacist to Wal-mart. Only 330 out of 15,000 are using the PMP. These people chose to do the right thing.

Robin explained their coalition depends on the DA's office.

Mellissa announced the fourth annual video and poster contest. With the committee's money as well as donations we put up banners. Sevenschools as well as

Blessed Sacrament. Starts Monday and deadline Feb 26, goes for 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders. Great opportunity and hoping to have great participation .

7:58pm Aicha Kelley, Coalition for Drug and Alcohol Awareness

Ms. Kelley is an employee of the Recreation Department. She is passionate about the coalition and is looking forward to being a member.

MOTION moved to appoint Aicha Kelley as a regular member of the Committee for Alcohol and Drug Awareness, seconded by Mr. Snuffer, VOTED 4-0-0

## **OPEN FORUM**

Michael Viano at your last meeting you sent a letter to the Norfolk County Commissioners regarding their abandonment of the High Plain Street. The hearing is scheduled tomorrow. You are concerned about a 40B. I represent the Chivanni family.

I went before the Town of Sharon and they are going to offer up for sale their land. I have no interest in the property. I am doing this as a friend. The Commissioners will have a second hearing that generates an expense. No one else has objected. Mr. Chivanni is seeking to acquire the land, subsequent to construct a house lot. He does not need this to develop a 40B. The neighbor in Sharon wants that. Asking the Board to revote their decision. I did fill in Maggie Walker ahead of time.

Mrs. Mackenzie noted the Board put this off a few times, if that was the intent why was the applicant not following us around, we were seeking information. It came back to us because we needed to respond. Mr. Viano explained this is a new petition in front of everyone.

Mr. Johnson spoke to Mr. McNichols and explained the town's concern, what is going there. He said they will postpone it for another a month. Mrs. Mackenzie, what is the plan? Why and what is going to happen. If something was going to be there. Mr. Viano stated it is going to be one family house. Mrs. Mackenzie explained we instructed our T. Engineer to find out what the future plan is. If you knew it had to come before us you should have reached out to us. You should have come before us. Not enough for me to change my mind.

Mr. Snuffer understands this is your only opportunity. This should not be done during Open Forum. When the TA goes before them he will carry our decision.

Shawn Fahey, 58 Wolcott Ave

With the two storms the DPW has done a great job, but my problem I live on a corner lot. When they plow they plow right on to my side yard into our tree. Five feet or more into my side yard. I know the snow needs to go somewhere but not on my lawn.

Mrs. Mackenzie explained it is not the intent to do that. It is horrible. The amount of snow we have had is unprecedented. Sorry it has ruined your tree. There is nowhere to put it. Mr. Stanton stated that he is a neighbor of mine, I got the information from him I road by and it is in his yard.

Mr. Johnson had spoken to Bob LeBlanc. He did tell me we have nowhere to put the snow. We will help you out as much as we can. He told me we can't go on private property. Over the past 12 years that tree has been knocked over 4 times. Mr. Johnson noted there is confusion where your property ends and Town Property begins.

8:20pm Maureen Smith, Special Employee

Seeking designation as a Special Municipal employee status. Substitute teacher in Walpole Schools and I am an attorney that practices law, I want to appear before Boards/commissions and can only do so if I am a special employee.

Mr. Fucile, Town Clerk noted it is more of a clarification, special employee to engage in work before the town. If you approve this you would create a new category, substitute teachers. You are creating it for all in the future. The last time this was updated 1989. You are the only ones that create that under the law. This would be any substitute teacher.

Mr. Stanton, isn't the request just for her? Mr. Snuffer, you are right what is before us is she is asking us to have this just for her. Mr. Stanton, the result of this would be to add Substitute teachers to the School Department categories.

Mr. Snuffer, my recommendation is to table this for further information, we have another situation coming up, I think we have here, is something that is confusing. I understand when I first saw this as a petition from an individual. I think it is a policy and procedure question that needs more study. If you want to move it forward I will vote no. the Board will table this. They will reach out to Ilana Quirk and table this until we hear from Town Counsel.

2-6 Indie-Go, Victualler's license

I am go owner of the establishment; we have a grocery store there. We plan to open a tea cup concept. Ethnic food from India such as Indian Chinese. Because there are still so many outstanding issues with departments the Board wants to continue this until the next meeting.

2-8 Knights of Columbus

MOTION moved by Mrs. Mackenzie to approve the request of the knights of Columbus for one day all alcoholic license on February 20, 27, March 6,14, 20,27, seconded by Mr. Snuffer, VOTED 4-0-0

2-9            Use of A. Farm, Cub Scouts

MOTION moved by Mrs. Mackenzie to approve the Use of A. Farm for Rocket Day subject to the approval of the A. Farm committee, seconded by Mr. Stanton VOTED 4-0-0

2-10           Use of A. Farm, trail race

MOTION moved by Mrs. Mackenzie to approve the use of A. Farm on September 19 for a trail race subject to approval of the A. Farm committee, seconded by Mr. Stanton 4-0-0

2-11,2-12 and 2-13            Gift Acceptances

MOTION moved by Mrs. Mackenzie to accept the gift from various donors in the amount of \$1,750 for the Veterans Dept. seconded by Mr. Snuffer, VOTED 4-0-0

MOTION moved by Mrs. Mackenzie to accept the gift from Wal-Mart in the amount of \$500 for the Police safety program, seconded by Mr. Gallivan, VOTED 4-0-0

MOTION moved by Mrs. Mackenzie to accept the gift from Walpole Police Union in the amount of \$1,000 for the Council on Aging, seconded by Mr. Snuffer, VOTED 4-0-0

Mrs. Mackenzie spoke of the tragic fire on Flamingo Circle. After that tragic fire, Jr. Women's Club authorized a release of \$500 to the family. Mr. Gallivan noted there is also an online fundraiser. Anything people can do to help out that would be great.

Spring Town Warrant 2015

MOTION moved by Mrs. Mackenzie to sign the Spring Town Meeting Warrant, seconded by Mr. Snuffer, VOTED 4-0-0

Town Administrator Update

Snow and Ice- Since the last meeting we have had many snow storms and the original appropriation was \$771,400. We are left with approximately \$220,000. Asking the Board to approve the request to overspend the Snow and ice account.

MOTION moved by Mrs. Mackenzie to approve the request to overspend in the Snow and Ice account, seconded by Mr. Stanton, VOTED 4-0-0

Fire at Swan Pond thanked the Fire, DPW ,Police and Building Department for their efforts. They did a great job.

Budget process is underway and he will be monitoring snow and ice.

He is asking residents to bear with the town there are over 1800 intersections in town. We will try our best to help out. Trying to get the roads as wide as possible.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Mrs. Mackenzie has received a lot of emails about the ends of peoples streets. We need the schools dug out, there is so much snow. The DPW have done a great job. There are not a lot of places to dump the snow. We are running out of places to put it.

MOTION moved by Mrs. Mackenzie to adjourn at 9:00pm seconded by Mr. Snuffer, VOTED 4-0-0