

**TOWN OF WALPOLE
MEETING OF THE SELECTBOARD
JULY 9, 2020**

Selectboard Present: Peggy Pschirrer (Chair); Cheryl Mayberry; Steven Dalessio

CALL TO ORDER: Mrs. Pschirrer called this meeting of the Selectboard to order at 6:30 PM in the Walpole Town Hall. She advised this meeting is being recorded and asked anyone wishing to speak to identify themselves for the record. There were two visitors at this meeting; Mrs. Jan Galloway-Leclerc, Chair of the Zoning Board of Adjustment and Mrs. Myra Mansouri, Vice-Chair of the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

NON-PUBLIC SELECTBOARD SESSION:

Mrs. Pschirrer moved to enter into a Non-Public Selectboard Session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3 II to discuss (a) Personnel and (c) Reputations. Seconded by Mr. Dalessio. Mrs. Pschirrer asked if there were any questions or comments. There were none. On a roll call vote with Mr. Dalessio, Ms. Mayberry and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the motion was approved.

The regular Selectboard meeting resumed at 7:16 PM.

Mr. Dalessio moved that the Minutes of the Non-Public Selectboard Session of July 9, 2020, be sealed. Seconded by Ms. Mayberry. Mrs. Pschirrer asked if there were any questions or comments. There were none. With Mr. Dalessio, Ms. Mayberry and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the motion was approved.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

Mr. Dalessio moved to accept the Accounts Payable Check Register in the total amount of \$37,000.16 for checks issued July 10, 2020. This amount includes a \$23,689.54 payment to the NH Retirement System. Seconded by Ms. Mayberry. Mrs. Pschirrer asked if there were any questions or comments. There were none. With Mr. Dalessio, Ms. Mayberry and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the motion was approved.

PAYROLL:

Mr. Dalessio moved to accept the Payroll Check Register for the week ending July 4, 2020, in the amount of \$2,034.93, for checks issued July 10, 2020, and the electronic fund transfer for the 941 Employer Taxes in the amount of \$623.19. This is the additional First Responder stipends under the CARES Act and will be reimbursed to the Town. Seconded by Ms. Mayberry. Mrs. Pschirrer asked if there were any questions or comments. There were none. With Mr. Dalessio, Ms. Mayberry and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the motion was approved.

Mr. Dalessio moved to accept the Payroll Check Register for the week ending July 4, 2020, in the amount of \$32,382.36, for checks issued July 10, 2020, and the electronic fund transfer for the 941 Employer Taxes in the amount of \$6,103.68. Seconded by Ms. Mayberry. Mrs. Pschirrer asked if there were any questions or comments. There were none. With Mr. Dalessio, Ms. Mayberry and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the motion was approved.

SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES:

SELECTBOARD MINUTES – July 2, 2020: Mr. Dalessio moved to accept the Minutes of the Selectboard meeting of July 2, 2020, as submitted. Seconded by Mrs. Pschirrer. Mrs. Pschirrer asked if there were any questions or comments. There were none. With Mr. Dalessio and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the Minutes were approved. Ms. Mayberry abstained from this vote as she was not present at this meeting.

NON-PUBLIC SELECTBOARD SESSION – July 2, 2020: Mr. Dalessio moved to accept the Minutes of the Non-Public Selectboard Session of July 2, 2020, as submitted. These Minutes will remain sealed. Seconded by Mrs. Pschirrer. Mrs. Pschirrer asked if there were any questions or comments. There were none. With Mr. Dalessio and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the Minutes were approved. Ms. Mayberry abstained from this vote as she was not present at this meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

The Selectboard acknowledged receipt of the following Committee reports:

- North Walpole Village District Board of Commissioners Meeting – June 16, 2020;
- North Walpole Village District Board of Commissioners Meeting – June 23, 2020.

BUILDING PERMITS:

Permit #2020-18; JILL ROBINSON, 35 High Street, Map and Lot #021-023-000: Mr. Dalessio moved to grant Building Permit No. 2020-18 for Jill Robinson to construct a “86’ x 36’ Single Story Home with an Apartment over the Garage” at 35 High Street, Map and Lot #021-023-000. Seconded by Ms. Mayberry. Mrs. Pschirrer asked if there were any questions or comments. There were none. With Mr. Dalessio, Ms. Mayberry and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the motion was approved.

Permit #2020-19; SABIN ROCK FARM, LLC, 87 Reservoir Road, Map and Lot #010-026-000: Mr. Dalessio moved to grant Building Permit No. 2020-19 for Sabin Rock Farm, LLC to construct a “21’ x 24.5’ Addition to House with 15’ x 12’ Screened Porch” at 87 Reservoir Road, Map and Lot #010-026-000. Seconded by Ms. Mayberry. Mrs. Pschirrer asked if there were any questions or comments. There were none. With Mr. Dalessio, Ms. Mayberry and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the motion was approved.

LAND USE CHANGE TAX:

MAP and LOT #009-004-000: Mr. Dalessio moved to approve the Land Use Change Tax for Map and Lot #009-004-000 for \$520 for land no longer contiguous with parcels in the same ownership. Seconded by Ms. Mayberry. Mrs. Pschirrer asked if there were any questions or comments. There were none. With Mr. Dalessio, Ms. Mayberry and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the motion was approved.

MAP and LOT #013-050-000: Mr. Dalessio moved to approve the Land Use Change Tax for Map and Lot #013-050-000 for \$2,500 for an increased disturbed area that includes a large garage/storage building. Seconded by Ms. Mayberry. Mrs. Pschirrer asked if there were any questions or comments. There were none. With Mr. Dalessio, Ms. Mayberry and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the motion was approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

NH DOT New Arch Bridge Lighting: Mrs. Pschirrer had sent copies of the NH Department of Transportation New Arch Bridge Lighting Agreement to Mr. Dalessio, Ms. Mayberry and Attorney Hockensmith to review. She was not sure the Town was protected by just agreeing to take care of maintenance because circumstances could occur that our liability would be unreasonable. An example: a large truck could hit one of the light poles and knock it down. She asked Attorney Hockensmith to insert a statement to protect the Town should something similar occur. Attorney Hockensmith felt it was important to not let the Town be exposed as the agreement is currently written. He thought it might be ready for this week’s meeting. However, it was not received. It will be on next week’s agenda.

Camping on Town Property: The Selectboard had received information from Mr. Shelley and Mrs. Flammia, members of the Walpole Conservation Commission (WCC), about camping. Mr. Shelley advised that the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests (SPNHF) does not allow camping on any of their properties. This includes High Blue. It connects with the Twombly Town Forest. The SPNHF has some easements in Town. Ms. Mayberry reported that during the WCC meeting last Monday night, the members were pretty much onboard with camping issues as previously discussed. They did not want to prohibit camping as people are being encouraged to be outside. But, they wanted people to be cautious. The question of permitting came up at the meeting. Mrs. Pschirrer explained the permits would be obtained in the Selectboard Office at no charge. It would be documented where people were camping. Mr. Dalessio had suggested this but after giving it more thought, he was not sure permitting was necessary. To date, they were just aware of one camping incident. It was low impact; everything had been cleaned and taken care of. Mrs. Pschirrer's concern is that permitting increases the workload of the office staff and suggests an enforcement issue. Ms. Mayberry asked but what recourse do they have to preserve their land from the people who trash it. If you permit, there is some accountability. She suggested revisiting this camping issue again if it becomes a problem. Mrs. Pschirrer felt the SPNHF easement areas should be posted as "No Camping" by the SPNHF. The Selectboard can determine if they will allow camping on Town properties. Mr. Dalessio is in favor of "No Dumping" signs; they are appropriate.

Senator Jay Kahn Legislative Update: Senator Jay Kahn will attend the Selectboard meeting on July 23rd to provide a Legislative Update. Mr. Dalessio will invite the Boy Scouts to attend this meeting as they are working on their "Citizenship" badges.

Pending Further Actions:

The following Agenda items will remain on this pending list as there is no new information available at this time:

- Town Deeded Properties;
- Houghton Brook Fish Ladder;
- Mill Pond Beaver Activity;
- Hitching Post Area by Walpole Grocery;
- Recreation Area Parking Lot: Lot Line Adjustment and Deed with Letter.

NEW BUSINESS:

PA-28 Request Form for 2021: Mr. Dalessio moved to notify the NH Department of Revenue Administration that the Town of Walpole "Will not be using the PA-28 Inventory of Taxable Property Taxes Form in 2021". Seconded by Ms. Mayberry. Mrs. Pschirrer asked if there were any questions or comments. There were none. With Mr. Dalessio, Ms. Mayberry and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the motion was approved. The Selectboard signed the letter of confirmation.

Staff Meeting for July 16th: The Selectboard made a decision to not proceed with scheduling this July 16th Staff meeting. The next Staff Meeting will be scheduled for August 20th, 2020.

Recreation Department: Ms. Mayberry asked for an opinion on the following Recreation activity. Mr. Craig Harlow wants to start a six-week one-day-a-week Basketball Summer Clinic. Social distancing would be practiced. People would bring their own basketballs. Mr. Harlow thought he could accommodate 15-to-20 kids. Ms. Mayberry does not see any problems but wanted to check with Mrs.

Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio. Mrs. Pschirrer asked what age group. Ms. Mayberry did not ask but will do so. Mr. Dalessio would like them to have hand sanitizer available and to wear masks. Ms. Mayberry noted they will follow CDC guidelines. Both he and Mrs. Pschirrer had no problems with this Basketball Summer Clinic as outlined at this meeting.

RECESS SELECTBOARD MEETING:

Mr. Dalessio moved to recess this Selectboard meeting. The Selectboard will enter into a meeting as the Hooper Trustees. Seconded by Ms. Mayberry. Mrs. Pschirrer asked if there were any questions or comments. There were none. With Mr. Dalessio, Ms. Mayberry and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the motion was approved at 7:52 PM.

The regular Selectboard meeting resumed at 7:54 PM.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Dalessio moved to adjourn this Selectboard meeting. Seconded by Ms. Mayberry. Mrs. Pschirrer asked if there were any questions or comments. There were none. With Mr. Dalessio, Ms. Mayberry and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Regina Borden, Recording Secretary


Peggy L. Pschirrer, Chair


Cheryl Mayberry


Steven Dalessio

(Note: These are unapproved Minutes. Corrections will be found in the Minutes of the July 16, 2020, Selectboard meeting.)