

**TOWN OF WALPOLE  
SELECTBOARD MEETING  
JUNE 14, 2018**

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

**PUBLIC HEARING**

Mrs. Pschirrer called this Public Hearing to order at 6:30 PM in the Walpole Town Hall. This Public Hearing is Regarding the Acceptance of Meetinghouse Road – Class VI Portion to become an Emergency Access Lane. This meeting is being recorded therefore asked anyone wishing to speak to identify themselves for the record.

Mr. Sheldon Sawyer asked if the Selectboard had talked to Mr. Jim Terrell about the definitions of these roads because he researched all the Class VI roads in Walpole and had developed a list with his findings. Mrs. Pschirrer replied the Selectboard looked at the Class VI roads more recently and know where they are. The Conservation Commission also did this research. Mr. Sawyer understands an assessment had been made on this Hooper land and up to 20 houses could be built on it. Mrs. Pschirrer mentioned this land is now in conservation. Mr. Sawyer noted the easement does not change the definition of the road if it is Class V or Class VI. Twice attempts were made to discontinue this road but it was voted down at Town meetings. When Mr. Sawyer was a Selectboard, it was his opinion this was a Class V road. If it was not maintained for five years, it would revert to Class VI. However, maintenance was done. Mrs. Pschirrer said there are signs posted to state there is no winter maintenance on that road. Mrs. Pschirrer was told that Mr. Terrell, former Road Agent, handled this road by dropping a load of rock at the beginning of the road at County Road. He also dropped a load of gravel/rock at the top so nobody could go down it in the winter time. In the spring he spread it out. Mr. Sawyer noted Mr. Terrell did more than that; at one time they used a grader for the narrow road. Mrs. Pschirrer advised the Town no longer has that grader. This Public Hearing is not to decide if this road is a Class V or Class VI road, but rather if it is to become an emergency access lane. This has been requested by Mr. Mark Houghton. There are three emergency lanes in Town; two are the Eaton Road (as far as the Scout camp) and Derry Hill. Mr. Hurlburt submitted RSA information on emergency lanes that was read by Mrs. Pschirrer. It does not state it needs to be taken to a Town vote. Mr. Dalessio said if this is a Class VI road, the Town by RSA, should not be maintaining it. By declaring it an emergency lane they can be minimally maintained by the Town. This would allow farmers access to use the road as well as emergency vehicles. This road goes through the golf course. Therefore, it should be accessible for safety and medical reasons. It is also used as a path. Mrs. Pschirrer thought Mr. Terrell considered it a Class VI road. The worst part of the road is toward County Road. Mr. Sawyer spoke about a gentleman from Peterborough, NH who came to Walpole; he was instrumental in getting all their Class VI roads turned into emergency lanes. Mr. Peter Graves mentioned keeping it graded. Mr. Sawyer asked if there was a wash-out, could the farmers take care of it. Mrs. Pschirrer replied “yes” as Mr. Graves had previously asked this question. The Hooper owns the land on both sides of this road. Mr. Dalessio mentioned a farmer maintains the section of Cold River Road that was thrown-up by the Town. Mrs. Pschirrer summarized by saying she was hearing no objections to making Meetinghouse Road as an emergency lane as it runs through the Hooper property. In the winter time snowmobilers use this road. Mr. Peter Graves wants to be sure this is not a Class V road as he remembers it being maintained his whole life. He would be against making this an emergency lane out of a Class V road. If it is a Class VI road, he would go along with it being minimally maintained. If it is Class V, he would like a little more work above minimally maintained. Mr. Sawyer noted in accordance with the Town’s Zoning Ordinance you can own a house on a Class VI road but you cannot subdivide.

There were eight members of the public in attendance.

Mr. Dalessio moved to close this Public Hearing. Seconded by Ms. Mayberry. With Mr. Dalessio and Ms. Mayberry in favor, Mrs. Pschirrer closed this Public Hearing at 6:50 PM.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mrs. Pschirrer called this Selectboard meeting to order at 6:50 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 five members of the public in attendance.

**Road Maintenance:** Mr. Paul Keller asked when the Town will be filling in, at least, the small potholes. There is a large hole in front of the Tractor Supply Store. Mr. Dalessio said it is either the State, as they own Route 12, or Avanzu Development's responsibility. Ms. Mayberry agreed that it is difficult to see this hole.

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:**

Ms. Mayberry moved to accept the Accounts Payable Check Register in the amount of \$584,818.29 for checks dated June 15, 2018. Seconded by Mr. Dalessio. With Ms. Mayberry, Mr. Dalessio and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the motion was approved.

The above amount includes a monthly payment to the Fall Mountain Regional School District in the amount of \$560,964.00.

**PAYROLL:**

Ms. Mayberry moved to accept the Payroll Register for the week ending June 9, 2018 for the amount of \$24,230.81 for checks dated June 15, 2018. Seconded by Mr. Dalessio. With Ms. Mayberry, Mr. Dalessio and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the motion was approved.

Ms. Mayberry moved to accept the electronic fund transfer for the 941 Employer Taxes for Withholding, MEDI and FICA taxes in the amount of \$4,853.07 for the week ending June 9, 2018. Seconded by Mr. Dalessio. With Ms. Mayberry, Mr. Dalessio and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the motion was approved.

**SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES:**

SELECTBOARD MEETING – June 7, 2018: Ms. Mayberry moved to accept the Minutes of the Selectboard meeting of June 7, 2018, as submitted. Seconded by Mr. Dalessio. With Ms. Mayberry, Mr. Dalessio and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the Minutes were approved.

NON-PUBLIC SELECTBOARD SESSION – June 7, 2018: Ms. Mayberry moved to accept the Minutes of the Non-Public Selectboard Session of June 7, 2018, as submitted. These Minutes will remain sealed. Seconded by Mr. Dalessio. With Ms. Mayberry, Mr. Dalessio and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the Minutes were approved.

**COMMITTEE REPORT:**

The Selectboard received and reviewed Minutes of the following meeting:

- Walpole Town Library Board of Trustees Meeting – May 9, 2018.

**PROPERTY TAX ABATEMENT:**

MAP and LOT #003-074-000: Ms. Mayberry moved to grant the Property Tax Abatement in the amount of \$1,789.55 for Map and Lot #003-074-000, as requested. The scope of the view was reduced which lowered the property assessment. Seconded by Mr. Dalessio. With Ms. Mayberry, Mr. Dalessio and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the motion was approved.

**SOLAR ENERGY EXEMPTION:**

**Map and Lot #012-004-001:** Ms. Mayberry explained this applicant was not aware that their solar array would be taxed. They did not apply for the solar energy exemption by April 15<sup>th</sup>. If approved, all other late applications should be accepted going forward.

Ms. Mayberry moved to grant this Solar Energy Exemption for Map and Lot #012-004-001. Seconded by Mr. Dalessio. With Ms. Mayberry, Mr. Dalessio and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the motion was approved.

**BUILDING PERMITS:**

**ABENAKI SPRINGS PHASE 1 Ltd. Partners – Map and Lot #012-013-004:** The Alteration of Terrain has been approved by the State.

Ms. Mayberry moved to grant Building Permit No. 2014-10 Renewal, for Abenaki Springs Phase I Ltd. Partners to “Construct multi-family housing as approved by the Planning Board on 11/13/12 and then modified on 10/15/15 for up to 67 multi-family units.” Seconded by Mr. Dalessio. With Ms. Mayberry, Mr. Dalessio and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the motion was approved.

**PATRICK and HEIDI CROTTY, map and Lot #010-028-003:** Ms. Mayberry moved to grant Building Permit No. 2018-14 for Patrick and Heidi Crotty to build a “12’ x 12’ Wooden Shed” at 141 Reservoir Road. Seconded by Mr. Dalessio. With Ms. Mayberry, Mr. Dalessio and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the motion was approved.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Water and Sewer Receipts to Date:** The Selectboard acknowledged receipt of the Water and Sewer Receipts to Date from Mrs. Daigle. As of June 13, 2018, 89.4% of 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Billing has been paid.

**24 Homestead Avenue:** The Selectboard will continue their research on trying to find the owner of this property. The Town took this property a year ago. If the owner would like to get his property back, this is the time to contact the Town office.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Meetinghouse Road:** Mr. Dalessio moved to declare Meetinghouse Road as an Emergency Access Lane from County Road to Prospect Hill. Seconded by Ms. Mayberry. With Mr. Dalessio, Ms. Mayberry and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the motion was approved.

**Vachon Clukay & Co. PC Invoice:** A bill was received from the Town’s Auditors, Vachon Clukay & Co. PC, for \$12,000 for the Audit ending December 31, 2017.

Ms. Mayberry moved to approve the payment of this invoice from Vachon Clukay & Co. PC in the amount of \$12,000 with a call to them to find out when the Town will receive the audit report before we send out the check. Seconded by Mr. Dalessio. With Ms. Mayberry, Mr. Dalessio and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the motion was approved.

**Appointment Notice: David Westover as Moderator Pro Tempore:** Mr. Dalessio moved to appoint Mr. David Westover as the Moderator Pro Tempore. Seconded by Ms. Mayberry. With Mr. Dalessio, Ms. Mayberry and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the motion was approved.

**Lots C-40 and C-41 Cemetery Deeds:** These Cemetery Deeds are for a change in ownership. Mr. Dalessio moved to accept the Cemetery Deeds for Lots C-40 and C-41. Seconded by Ms. Mayberry. With Mr. Dalessio, Ms. Mayberry and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the motion was approved.

**Open Container Event Requests:** A letter was received from Walpole Grocery and Burdick’s to approve, in writing, that they be allowed to serve alcohol (beer and wine) outside to be consumed under the tent for Bastille Day on July 14<sup>th</sup> and Oktoberfest event on September 28<sup>th</sup> and September 29<sup>th</sup>. Their activities will be contained to the parking lot in an area in and around the 20’x40’ tent located in front of the Restaurant entrance at 47 Main Street. These events will begin no earlier than 11:30am and end no later than 9pm.

Mr. Dalessio moved to accept the request of a Waiver of the Open Container Ordinance for the Walpole Grocery and Burdick's for Bastille Day on July 14<sup>th</sup> and Oktoberfest event on September 28<sup>th</sup> and September 29<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Seconded by Ms. Mayberry. With Mr. Dalessio, Ms. Mayberry and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the motion was approved.

**Amended Liquor License Endorsement:** A request was received from Steven and Shanda Donovan both members of Spencer's Place, to allow Spencer's Place to sell and serve alcoholic beverages outside on the restaurant's deck patio.

Ms. Mayberry moved to approve and sign the letter to the NH Liquor Commission stating that the Selectboard voted unanimously to allow Spencer's Place to sell and serve alcoholic beverages outside on the restaurant's deck patio. Seconded by Mr. Dalessio. With Ms. Mayberry, Mr. Dalessio and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the motion was approved.

**NON-PUBLIC SELECTBOARD SESSION:**

Ms. Mayberry moved to enter into a Non-Public Selectboard Session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3 II to discuss (a) Personnel, (b) Hiring and (c) Reputations. Mr. Dalessio seconded the motion, on a roll call vote with Ms. Mayberry, Mr. Dalessio and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the motion was approved at 7:28 PM.

The regular Selectboard meeting resumed at 7:55 PM.

Ms. Mayberry moved that the Minutes of the Non-Public Selectboard Session of June 14, 2018, be sealed. Seconded by Mr. Dalessio. With Ms. Mayberry, Mr. Dalessio and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the motion was approved.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

**Walker Road:** Mr. Dalessio suggested the Conservation Commission should vote to accept, purchase or decline purchase of the Walker Road property with donations being made with this intent. Mrs. Pschirrer will attend their next meeting and talk to the members about this.

**Great River Hydro:** Attorney Jeremy Hockensmith received a draft of the agreement from Great River Hydro and forwarded it to Mrs. Pschirrer who will email copies to Mr. Dalessio and Ms. Mayberry. .

**Horses:** A resident talked to Mrs. Pschirrer about people who use their horses to "decorate" the roads. There should be something for horses. The Town has an Ordinance about dogs. It was recommended the Ordinance should be generic to clean-up after animals on a public road.

**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. With Mr. Dalessio, Ms. Mayberry and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the motion was approved at 8:00 PM.

The regular Selectboard meeting resumed at 8:26 PM.

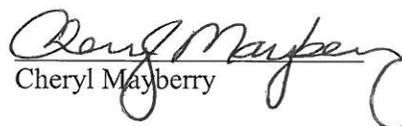
**ADJOURNMENT:**

Mr. Dalessio moved to adjourn this Selectboard meeting. Seconded by Ms. Mayberry. With Ms. Mayberry, Mr. Dalessio and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the meeting was adjourned at 8:28 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Regina Borden, Recording Secretary

  
Peggy L. Pschirrer, Chair

  
Steven Dalessio

  
Cheryl Mayberry

(Note: These are unapproved Minutes. Corrections will be found in the Minutes of the June 21, 2018, Selectboard meeting.)