

**TOWN OF WALPOLE  
MEETING OF THE SELECTBOARD  
MARCH 21, 2019**

Selectboard Present: Peggy Pschirrer, Steven Dalessio; Cheryl Mayberry

**CALL TO ORDER:** Regina Borden, Recording Secretary, called this meeting of the Selectboard to order at 6:30 PM in the Walpole Town Hall on March 21, 2019. The first order of business is to elect a Chair for the year 2019-2020.

**ELECTION OF CHAIR:**

Mrs. Pschirrer moved to nominate Mr. Steven Dalessio as the Chair of the Selectboard for the year 2019-2020. Seconded by Ms. Mayberry. There were no other nominations. With Mrs. Pschirrer and Ms. Mayberry in favor, the motion was approved. Mr. Dalessio accepted this nomination.

**SELECTBOARD BUSINESS MEETING:** Mr. Dalessio called this meeting of the Selectboard to order at 6:33 PM in the Walpole Town Hall on March 21, 2019. This meeting is being recorded therefore anyone wishing to speak is requested to identify themselves for the record. There were three members of the public in attendance.

**TOWN HALL RENTAL:** Mrs. Diane Nichols, Mr. Ernie Nichols and Mr. Ben Daviss were present representing the Fall Mountain Alliance. Mr. Dalessio acknowledged receipt of their Town Hall Rental Agreement for Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

Mrs. Nichols distributed copies of the following article she wrote for publication in the Walpole Clarion. "On Saturday April 27<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m. the Program Plastics: What Can We Do Now? Will take place at the Town Hall. This event is offered by Planet A, the environmental committee of Fall Mountain Alliance.

The program will include a video from Keefe Harrison, the CEO of Recycling Partnership, of Walpole. Other individuals from the Monadnock region will share their experiences and ideas for positive steps forward for our community and beyond.

Speakers include Paul Coburn, former Walpole Recycling Center Manager, Ben Hoy, current Walpole Recycling Center Manager, Erin Richardson of Recycling Partnership, and Marge Shepardson who has worked locally and at the state level to decrease and eliminate the use of plastic bags, straws, and single use plastic beverage containers.

Packaging alternatives to plastics will be displayed. Student Posters on the topic of Plastics: What Can We Do Now? will be displayed throughout the hall.

This event will conclude with a panel discussion and question and answer period.

Please join us and find out what you can do to help decrease the amount of plastic in our environment. For more information, please contact [fritzetill@gmail.com](mailto:fritzetill@gmail.com)."

Mr. Dalessio had inquired about the Fall Mountain Alliance as the Selectboard want to maintain a non-partison Town Hall. It is the Selectboard's intent to limit the types of meetings being held in the Walpole Town Hall. Meetings need to stay neutral. He believes this is an excellent topic to be talking about for the community. It has to be done in a positive rather than negative way. Ms. Mayberry said it should be inclusive rather than non-inclusive.

Mrs. Pschirrer moved to approve the rental of the Walpole Town Hall on Saturday, April 27, 2019, for the Fall Mountain Alliance. Seconded by Ms. Mayberry. With Mrs. Pschirrer, Ms. Mayberry and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the motion was approved.

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:**

Ms. Mayberry moved to accept the Accounts Payable Check Register in the amount of \$54,193.91 for checks issued March 22, 2019. Seconded by Mrs. Pschirrer. With Ms. Mayberry, Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the motion was approved.

The above amount includes a payment in the amount of \$19,738.00 to Ferguson Enterprises for piping for the Highway Department.

**PAYROLL:**

Ms. Mayberry moved to accept the Payroll Check Register for the week ending March 16, 2019, in the amount of \$28,699.81 for checks issued March 22, 2019, and the electronic fund transfer for the 941 Employer Taxes in the amount of \$5,515.46. Seconded by Mrs. Pschirrer. With Ms. Mayberry, Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the motion was approved.

**SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES:**

**SELECTBOARD MINUTES – March 14, 2019:** Ms. Mayberry moved to accept the Minutes of the Selectboard meeting of March 14, 2019, as submitted. Seconded by Mrs. Pschirrer. With Ms. Mayberry, Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the Minutes were approved.

**NON-PUBLIC SELECTBOARD SESSION #1 – March 14, 2019:** Ms. Mayberry moved to accept the Minutes of the Non-Public Selectboard Session #1 of March 14, 2019, as submitted. These Minutes will remain sealed. Seconded by Mrs. Pschirrer. With Ms. Mayberry, Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the Minutes were approved.

**NON-PUBLIC SELECTBOARD SESSION #2 – March 7, 2019:** Ms. Mayberry moved to accept the Minutes of the Non-Public Selectboard Session #2 of March 7, 2019, as submitted. These Minutes will remain sealed. Seconded by Mrs. Pschirrer. With Ms. Mayberry, Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the Minutes were approved.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

The Selectboard acknowledged receipt of and reviewed the Minutes of the following meetings

- Walpole Fire District Meeting – January 16, 2019;
- Walpole Planning Board Meeting – March 12, 2019.

**REFUNDS and ABATEMENT APPLICATIONS:**

**Refund Property Taxes:**

**MAP and LOT #021-024-001:** Ms. Mayberry moved to grant the Refund for Overpayment of Property Taxes in the amount of \$14.95 for Tax Year 2018 for Map and Lot #021-024-001. Seconded by Mrs. Pschirrer. With Ms. Mayberry, Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the motion was approved.

**Abatements:** Ms. Mayberry moved to grant the following Abatements

- MAP and LOT #003-051-000 – in the amount of \$248.09 for Tax Year 2018; the land condition was reduced due to the difficulty of access
- MAP and LOT #008-015-007 – in the amount of \$436.48 for Tax Year 2018 the land quality was reduced due to the presence of ledge rock and level of view was reduced due to some obstruction.

- MAP and LOT #018-005-000, -in the amount of \$1,268.54 for Tax Year 2018; Several corrections to data were completed regarding bedroom and bathroom counts. Also a change of classification was implemented.

Seconded by Mrs. Pschirrer. With Ms. Mayberry, Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the motion was approved.

#### **VETERANS TAX CREDIT:**

**Map and Lot #028-136-999:** Ms. Mayberry moved to grant the Veterans Tax Credit for the current owner of Map and Lot #028-136-000. This applicant updated the application due to a change in owner's name (Revocable Trust). Seconded by Mrs. Pschirrer. With Ms. Mayberry, Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the motion was approved.

#### **DEMOLITION and BUILDING PERMITS:**

**Hubbard LLC., 1 Pomeroy Lane:** Ms. Mayberry moved to grant Demolition Permit No. 2019-04 to Hubbard LLC for "Demolition of poultry building #22" at 1 Pomeroy Lane, Map and Lot #010-006-000. Seconded by Mrs. Pschirrer. With Ms. Mayberry, Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the motion was approved.

**Hubbard LLC, 1 Pomeroy Lane:** Ms. Mayberry moved to grant Demolition Permit No. 2019-05 to Hubbard LLC for "Demolition of poultry building #26" at 1 Pomeroy Lane, Map and Lot #010-006-000. Seconded by Mrs. Pschirrer. With Ms. Mayberry, Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the motion was approved.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

**Water and Sewer Receipts to Date:** Mrs. Jodi Daigle had submitted the Water/Sewer Receipts to Date March 20, 2019. Total Receipts for Q4 2018 Billing are \$135,343.15 or 86.9%.

**Quarterly Water and Sewer Receipt Comparison:** Mr. Dalessio advised that some comparison work will be done in early May to confirm the Water and Sewer rates. A date will be confirmed with Mr. Mark Houghton.

**Equalization Assessment – Sales Ratio:** The Selectboard acknowledged receipt of a letter from the State of New Hampshire, Department of Revenue Administration, advising that they have determined the overall equalization assessment - sales ratio for the land, buildings and manufactured housing in Walpole for Tax Year 2018 to be 100.2%.

**Next Tax Bills:** Mrs. Pschirrer reported that Mrs. Sandra Smith, Town Clerk-Tax Collector, had talked about the next tax bills. They should have a discussion about the PILOT program and an agreement with North Walpole. This will be an agenda item for next week.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**2019 Town Meeting Minutes:** Mrs. Pschirrer moved that the Selectboard approve and sign the Minutes of the 2019 Town Meeting, as submitted. Seconded by Ms. Mayberry. With Mrs. Pschirrer, Ms. Mayberry and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the Minutes were approved.

The Selectboard talked about putting articles in the Clarion in response to questions raised during the Town Meeting on the Recycling Center and the Recreation Department's new basketball court.

**Chip Wood re: Weight Limits on Alstead Center Road:** Mrs. Pschirrer talked with Mr. Brian Vincent, engineer, about the Alstead Center Road weight limit. He said at this time of the year lots of roads are listed for weight limits. He saw no reason not to do that.

**Sand Hill and Blanchard Brook Road:** Mr. Dalessio and Mrs. Pschirrer looked at these roads. Blanchard Brook Road seems to be in good condition at this time. Sand Hill was not done since the development was put in. Mr. Dalessio pointed out that the corner intersection on Sand Hill needs to be patched soon as it is really bad.

**E-mail Note of Support for Walpole Police Department: sent to Police Chief Michael Paquette**  
Mr. Dalessio noted that the Selectboard received a copy of the email Mr. Jeff Harrington sent to Chief Paquette commending him on doing a superb job of answering a lot of questions at the Town Meeting. He was clear and answered the questions fully. A copy of this email will be placed in Chief Paquette's personnel folder.

**Training Workshop for J. Daigle** The Selectboard approved having Mrs. Jodi Daigle attend the New Hampshire Department of Labor half-day training seminar on how to stay in compliance with NH Labor Laws on April 22, 2019 in Keene, NH. :

**Time Off Requests for Sarah Downing:** The Selectboard approved Mrs. Sarah Downing's request for vacation time as follows: (1) Monday, April 22 and Tuesday, April 23, 2019; (2) Tuesday, June 11 through Tuesday, June 18, 2019; and (3) Tuesday, October 1 to Thursday, October 3, 2019.

**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 and (c) Reputations. Mrs. Pschirrer seconded the motion and, on a roll call vote with Ms. Mayberry, Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the motion was approved at 7:10 PM.

The regular Selectboard meeting resumed at 7:40 PM.

Ms. Mayberry moved that the Minutes of the Non-Public Selectboard Session of March 21, 2019, be sealed. Seconded by Mrs. Pschirrer. With Ms. Mayberry, Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the motion was approved.

**RECESS SELECTBOARD MEETING:**

Ms. Mayberry moved to recess this Selectboard meeting. The Selectboard will enter into a meeting as the Hooper Trustees. Seconded by Mrs. Pschirrer. With Ms. Mayberry, Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the motion was approved.

The regular Selectboard meeting resumed at 8:00 PM.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

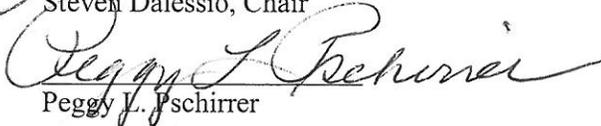
**Selectboard Meeting – April 4, 2019:** There was a consensus of the Selectboard to change the time of the Selectboard meeting on April 4, 2019, from 6:30 PM to 4:00 PM. There will be no public business. This will enable the Selectboard members to attend the Annual North Walpole Village District meeting at 7:00 PM.

**Library:** Mr. Dalessio felt they should post an article in the May Clarion about the Library's use of the Town Hall second floor during the Library renovation. The Library has the priority for the second floor; they may not be out until the end of November. Every January the Players should give the office all the dates they plan on using the second floor so they can be entered in the reservation book.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Ms. Mayberry moved to adjourn this Selectboard meeting. Seconded by Mrs. Pschirrer. With Ms. Mayberry, Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Regina Borden, Recording Secretary

  
Steven Dalessio, Chair

  
Peggy J. Pschirrer

  
Cheryl Mayberry

(Note: These are unapproved Minutes. Corrections will be found in the Minutes of the March 28, 2019, Selectboard meeting.)