

**TOWN OF WALPOLE  
MEETING OF THE SELECTBOARD  
MARCH 28, 2019**

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

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mr. Dalessio called this Selectboard meeting to order on March 28, 2019, at 6:30 PM in the Walpole Town Hall. He advised this meeting is being recorded and asked anyone wishing to speak to identify themselves for the record. There was one member of the public in attendance.

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:**

Ms. Mayberry moved to accept the Accounts Payable check register in the amount of \$54,194.89 for checks issued March 29, 2019. Seconded by Mrs. Pschirrer. With Ms. Mayberry, Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the motion was approved.

The above amount including a payment in the amount of \$38,790.00 to the HealthTrust.

**PAYROLL:**

Ms. Mayberry moved to accept the Payroll Check Register for the week ending March 23, 2019 in the amount of \$25,348.68 for checks issued March 29, 2019 and the electronic fund transfer for the 941 Employer Taxes in the amount of \$4,999.43. Seconded by Mrs. Pschirrer. With Ms. Mayberry, Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the motion was approved.

**SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES:**

**SELECTBOARD MINUTES – March 21, 2019:** Ms. Mayberry moved to accept the Minutes of the Selectboard meeting of March 21, 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 – March 21, 2019:** Ms. Mayberry moved to accept the Minutes of the Non-Public Selectboard Session of March 21, 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.

**STAFF MEETING – March 21, 2019:** Ms. Mayberry moved to accept the Minutes of the Staff Meeting of March 21, 2019, as submitted. Seconded by Mrs. Pschirrer. With Ms. Mayberry, Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the Minutes were approved.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

The Selectboard received and reviewed Minutes of the following meetings:

- North Walpole Village District Board of Commissioners – March 5, 2019;
- North Walpole Village District Board of Commissioners – March 19, 2019;
- Zoning Board of Adjustment – March 20, 2019.

Ms. Mayberry advised there was no meeting of the North Walpole Village District on March 12, 2019.

**FALL MOUNTAIN REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT: re: Withdrawal and Articles of Agreement Study Committee:** The Selectboard acknowledged receipt of the letter from Mrs. Rebecca Sethi, School Board Secretary, dated March 25, 2019, regarding RSA 195:25 Withdrawal Study Committee. She sent a letter to all Selectboards in the various towns letting everyone know that on March 12, 2019, by the vote of 617 “yes” to 248 “no” the voters of the Town of Charlestown voted to direct the Fall Mountain Regional School District to initiate a review of the feasibility and suitability study of the withdrawal of the Town of Charlestown from the FMRSD. In accordance with RSA 195:25,

the committee must include one member of the board of selectmen from each town, one member of the School Board from each town within the cooperative school district and potentially some community members as needed. The make-up of the Board is

- Mary Henry from Langdon
- Sarah Vogel from Acworth
- Joseph Levesque from Alstead
- Scott Bushway from Charlestown
- William Stahl – Walpole Representative

She asked the Town of Walpole to appoint their representative as soon as possible and to respond to Misty Bushee at SAU 60 with their appointee's contact information. They had 60 days to form the committee; this will be met. The first meeting of the Withdrawal Study Committee is Tuesday, April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 5:30 PM. Mr. Dalessio will represent Walpole.

The Fall Mt. School Board had a meeting last Monday night and elected their officers.

- Michael Herrington – Chair
- Mary Henry – Vice-Chair
- Scott Bushway – Treasurer
- Rebecca Sethi – Secretary

With referenced to experience, Mary is coming into her 9<sup>th</sup> year; everyone else is two years and under.

Mr. Michael Herrington and Mrs. Rebecca Sethi will sit on the committee to look at the Articles of Agreement. Their first planning meeting is Wednesday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019. Mrs. Pschirrer will represent Walpole on this committee. Mrs. Sethi would like this to be an opportunity for everyone to work well together. One topic of discussion at this meeting will be who will be on the Articles of Agreement Committee. Mrs. Pschirrer advised they need to look at the entire Articles of Agreement rather than a section or two. Mrs. Sethi mentioned it would be nice to have all options on the table. Research is being done on the history.

Mrs. Sethi has put together a file on various Articles of Agreement from various school districts. Ms. Mayberry feels a determination needs to be made as to whether or not they are a "cooperative"; that will feed into how the apportionments will be done. Should fixed costs to the high school be equally divided? Mrs. Sethi noted they will need community input. Mr. Dalessio mentioned a lot of people are worried about what all this will mean for Walpole and their property taxes. That needs to be determined.

#### **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 at 6:55 PM.

The regular Selectboard meeting resumed at 7:05 PM.

#### **REFUNDS:**

MAP and LOT #003-013-003: Ms. Mayberry moved to grant the Property Tax Refund in the amount of \$23.50 for Map and Lot #003-013-003. This is due to an overpayment of property taxes. Seconded by Mrs. Pschirrer. With Ms. Mayberry, Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the motion was approved.

#### **ABATEMENT:**

MAP and LOT #008-105-001: Ms. Mayberry moved to deny this Property Tax Abatement request for Map and Lot #008-105-001 as recommended by Avitar Associates. Seconded by Mrs. Pschirrer. With Ms. Mayberry, Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the motion was approved.

**CURRENT USE:**

**MAP and LOT #009-042-000:** Ms. Mayberry moved to approve this Application for Current Use request for Map and Lot #009-042-000. An additional area is being added to the lot that is already in Current Use off March Hill Road. Seconded by Mrs. Pschirrer. With Ms. Mayberry, Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the motion was approved.

**TIMBER TAX WARRANT:**

**MAP and LOT #011-007-000:** Ms. Mayberry moved to approve the Original Warrant, Yield Tax Levy, and the Certification of Yield Taxes Assessed / Intent Filed During Tax Year: April 1, 2018 to March 31, 2019 in the amount of \$714.02 for Map and Lot #011-007-000. The Operation Number is 18-461-011-T. Seconded by Mrs. Pschirrer. With Ms. Mayberry, Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the motion was approved.

**VETERANS' TAX CREDITS:**

**MAP and LOT #008-081-000:** Ms. Mayberry moved to grant the All Veterans' Tax Credit for the current owner of Map and Lot #008-081-000. Seconded by Mrs. Pschirrer. With Ms. Mayberry, Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the motion was approved.

**MAP and LOT #003-067-002:** Ms. Mayberry moved to grant the Veterans' Tax Credit for the current owner of Map and Lot #003-067-002. Seconded by Mrs. Pschirrer. With Ms. Mayberry, Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the motion was approved.

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO CUT WOOD OR TIMBER:**

**MAP and LOT #011-050-000:** Ms. Mayberry moved to approve the Notice of Intent to Cut Wood or Timber for Map and Lot #011-050-000. There was no cut last year. The applicant is applying for the new Intent to Cut for this year for an area off March Hill Road. Seconded by Mrs. Pschirrer. With Ms. Mayberry, Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the motion was approved.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**PILOT Agreement – re: North Walpole:** The Selectboard discussed various ways to address the PILOT Agreement with the Village of North Walpole on the Great River Hydro Dam. The Selectboard will meet with the Village of North Walpole Board of Commissioners during their meeting on April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2019. The division of the Payment in Lieu of Taxes needs to be finalized prior to the next time tax bills go out in mid-May.

**Request to NHDES Mill Pond Dam Deficiency Letter:** Mr. Dalessio will rewrite the response to the deficiency letter to the NH DES regarding the Mill Pond Dam. It is due April 8, 2019.

**NHDES Dam Bureau OMR – re: Mill Pond Dam:** Mr. Dalessio and Mr. Mark Houghton went through the Letter of Deficiency for the Mill Pond Dam. The Town may not have the money to do the project this year. Fuss and O'Neill's estimate is \$9,000 to do the study; it will come out of the Highway Dept. budget. This is only on the dam and not the bridge. The Town brought the flash board failure to the attention of the NHDES – Dam Bureau. There are three issues at the Mill Pond: 1) the dam; 2) the bridge and 3) the emergency is the flash boards.

Mr. Dalessio moved to approve the OMR (Operations, Maintenance and Response) for the Mill Pond Dam. Seconded by Ms. Mayberry. With Mr. Dalessio, Ms. Mayberry and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the motion was approved.

**Chip Wood – re: Weight Limits on Alstead Center Road:** Fuss and O’Neill advised the culvert is built to a 75 year-life. Mr. Rau is worried about the road rather than the culvert. Mr. Dalessio advised they agreed to settle on a 20-ton weight limit. He suggested putting the speed/vehicle counter meter there in the summer for an accurate traffic count.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Next Selectboard Meeting:** The next Selectboard meeting on Thursday, April 4, 2019, will begin at 4:00 PM rather than 6:30 PM. This will allow the Selectboard the opportunity to attend the Annual Meeting of the Village of North Walpole.

**Selectboard Department Liaisons:**

Mr. Steven Dalessio – Highway Department, Planning Board, Selectboard Office, Water & Sewer Dept.;

Mrs. Peggy Pschirrer –Police Department, Library, Town Clerk/Tax Collector;

Ms. Cheryl Mayberry – Hooper Institute, Recreation Dept., Recycling Center;

Mrs. Pschirrer and Ms. Mayberry will share – Conservation Commission.

**Emergency Performance Grant Agreement:** Ms. Mayberry moved that we “The Select Board in a majority vote, accepted the terms of the Emergency Management Performance Grant as presented in the amount of \$4,000.00 for an LEOP Update. Furthermore, the Board acknowledges that the total cost of this project will be \$8,000.00, in which the town will be responsible for a 50% match (\$4,000.00)”. Seconded by Mrs. Pschirrer. With Ms. Mayberry, Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the motion was unanimously approved.

**MS-232:** Mrs. Pschirrer moved that the Selectboard approve and sign the MS-232 (Report of Appropriation Actually Voted). Seconded by Ms. Mayberry. With Mrs. Pschirrer, Ms. Mayberry and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the motion was approved.

**Residential Solar Building Permit Requirements:** Mr. Dalessio had sent out the draft of the Residential Solar Building Permit Requirements as approved by the Planning Board. He would like to have an ordinance in the future. Mrs. Pschirrer said the requirements should be distributed.

**Deed List:** Mrs. Smith, Town Clerk/Tax Collector, had submitted a Deed List for the Selectboard to review.

**April 16<sup>th</sup> – Double Booking at Town Hall:** The Selectboard did not feel there was a problem with the double booking for the Town Hall on April 16<sup>th</sup>. The Selectboard will hold their Special Public Hearing in the Selectboard Office. The Community Grange will have an Open House that same evening. The second floor will be set up for the Players as their last performance is that weekend.

**GKCC Newsletter Profile:** An email was received from the Greater Keene Chamber of Commerce. The Selectboard asked Mrs. Downing to submit a profile of the town that will be included in an upcoming GKCC newsletter.

**Selectboard Office:** Mrs. Pschirrer will make plans for Mr. Anthony Poole of Trivantus, a comprehensive payroll company, to make a presentation in mid-April on the Town’s payroll and record keeping.

**NON-PUBLIC SELECTBOARD SESSION:**

Ms. Mayberry moved that the Selectboard enter into a Non-Public Selectboard Session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3 II to discuss (a) Personnel. 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 8:12 PM.

The regular Selectboard meeting resumed at 8:25 PM.

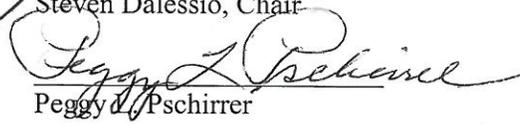
Ms. Mayberry moved that the Minutes of the Non-Public Selectboard Session of March 28, 2019, be sealed. Seconded by Mrs. Pschirrer. With Ms. Mayberry, Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the motion was approved.

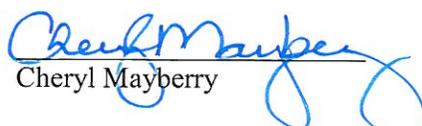
**ADJOURNMENT:**

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 8:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Regina Borden, Recording Secretary

  
Steven Dalessio, Chair

  
Peggy Pschirrer

  
Cheryl Mayberry

(Note: These are unapproved Minutes. Corrections will be found in the Minutes of the April 4, 2019, Selectboard meeting.)