

**TOWN OF WALPOLE
MEETING OF THE SELECTBOARD
MARCH 26, 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. She explained the procedure of this meeting. The Selectboard are in three separate locations. This meeting is being recorded remotely by Mr. Alex Stradling of FACT-TV. It is available for viewing on the Internet. Also attending this meeting is Mrs. Sarah Downing, Manager of Administration, at the Walpole Town Hall and Ms. Regina Borden, Recording Secretary, at a separate location.

Mrs. Pschirrer advised there will be no public comments taken at this meeting. Comments are to be emailed to Mrs. Downing at the Walpole Town Hall. Mrs. Downing displayed the agenda for this meeting. That will be followed by documents as they were being discussed.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

Mr. Dalessio moved to accept the Accounts Payable Check Register in the amount of \$48,654.75 for checks issued March 27, 2020. This amount includes a \$25,000 payment to the Trustee of Trust Funds for the 2020 Capital Reserve Appropriation. Mrs. Downing is authorized to sign this document. Seconded by Ms. Mayberry. Mrs. Pschirrer asked if there was any discussion. There was 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 March 21, 2020, in the amount of \$24,736.51 for checks issued March 27, 2020, and the electronic fund transfer for the 941 Employer Taxes in the amount of \$4,860.74. Mrs. Downing is authorized to sign this document. Seconded by Ms. Mayberry. Mrs. Pschirrer asked if there was any discussion. There was none. With Mr. Dalessio, Ms. Mayberry and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the motion was approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Zoning Board of Adjustment – March 18, 2020.

Mrs. Pschirrer tabled this ZBA report as she was not sure it had previously been distributed.

PROPERTY TAX ABATEMENTS:

MAP and LOT #005-002-008: Mr. Dalessio moved to grant this Property Tax Abatement in the amount of \$556.00 for Map and Lot #005-002-008. This is a follow-up to an Abatement Appeal Mediated Settlement. Seconded by Ms. Mayberry. Mrs. Pschirrer asked if there was any discussion. There was none. With Mr. Dalessio, Ms. Mayberry and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the motion was approved.

CURRENT USE:

MAP and LOT #011-051-000: Mr. Dalessio moved to approve the Application for Current Use Assessment for Map and Lot #011-051-000. This is to add 2.98 acres within a property that already has land in Current Use off March Hill Road. Seconded by Ms. Mayberry. Mrs. Pschirrer asked if there was any discussion. There was none. With Mr. Dalessio, Ms. Mayberry and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the motion was approved.

DEMOLITION PERMITS:

Mrs. Pschirrer recused herself from voting on the following Demolition Permit.

Permit 2020-07: REMLAP PROPERTIES LLC, 2 Pleasant Street, Map and Lot #020-032-000:

Mr. Dalessio moved to grant Demolition Permit No. 2020-07 for Remlap Properties, LLC to “Remove attached & adjacent barns” at 2 Pleasant Street, Map and Lot #020-032-000. Seconded by Ms. Mayberry. Mrs. Pschirrer asked if there was any discussion. There was none. With Mr. Dalessio and Ms. Mayberry in favor, the motion was approved.

Permit 2020-08: JAMES and BRENDA ALDRICH, 275 Valley Road, Map and Lot #013-019-000:

Mr. Dalessio moved to grant Demolition Permit No. 2020-08 for James and Brenda Aldrich to “Remove shed” at 275 Valley Road, Map and Lot #013-019-000. Seconded by Ms. Mayberry. Mrs. Pschirrer asked if there was any discussion. There was none. With Mr. Dalessio, Ms. Mayberry and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the motion was approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

Welfare, Hooper Scholarship and Recreation Department Selectboard Liaisons: As a follow-up to the Selectboard meeting last week, it was pointed out that the liaison to the Recreation Department was not appointed. Ms. Mayberry will continue as liaison to the Recreation Department. Mrs. Pschirrer would like to continue as liaison for Welfare until some policies are finalized. She will then may hand it over to Ms. Mayberry. She will also remain as liaison to the Hooper Scholarship Committee.

Pending Further Actions:

Lights re: Walpole, NH – Rockingham VT 42277 Bridge Renovation Project: Mr. Dalessio reported that this pending item will remain on the Agenda.

Joint Meeting Request from the Village of Bellows Falls Board of Trustees: Mr. Dalessio reported that this pending item will remain on the Agenda.

Town Deeded Properties: Mr. Dalessio reported that this pending item will remain on the Agenda.

NEW BUSINESS:

MS-232: Ms. Mayberry moved to approve and sign the MS-232 document – Report of Appropriations Actually Voted – For the period beginning January 1, 2020 and ending December 31, 2020. Seconded by Mr. Dalessio. Mrs. Pschirrer asked if there was any discussion. There was none. With Ms. Mayberry, Mr. Dalessio and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the motion was approved.

Highway Capital Reserve Fund Voucher: Mr. Dalessio moved to approve the Highway Capital Reserve Fund Voucher for the amount of \$25,000 payable to the Trustees of Trust Funds as per Warrant Article #6. Seconded by Ms. Mayberry. Mrs. Pschirrer asked if there was any discussion. There was none. With Mr. Dalessio, Ms. Mayberry and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the motion was approved.

Police Capital Reserve Fund Voucher: Mr. Dalessio moved to approve the Police Capital Reserve Fund Voucher in the amount of \$15,000 payable to the Trustees of Trust Funds as per Warrant Article #10. Seconded by Ms. Mayberry. Mrs. Pschirrer asked if there was any discussion. There was none. With Mr. Dalessio, Ms. Mayberry and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the motion was approved.

Edson Grout Purchase Order: Ms. Mayberry moved to approve Purchase Order #909646 in the amount of \$153.58 payable weekly to the Welfare Director. Seconded by Mr. Dalessio. Mrs. Pschirrer asked if there was any discussion. There was none. With Ms. Mayberry, Mr. Dalessio and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the motion was approved.

Manager of Administration: Mr. Dalessio moved that Mrs. Downing is authorized to use their electronic signatures on all the documents and the letter the Selectboard approved at this meeting tonight. Seconded by Ms. Mayberry. Mrs. Pschirrer asked if there was any discussion. There was none. With Mr. Dalessio, Ms. Mayberry and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the motion was approved.

2020 Town Meeting – Warrant Article #13: Mrs. Pschirrer reported that at the 2020 Town Meeting the voters approved a resolution to have the Selectboard write a letter to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission regarding their concerns about ongoing erosion issues with the Wilder, Bellows Falls and Vernon dams along the riverbanks in our area and to include this in the docket for these projects. Mr. Dalessio moved to approve and sign the letter to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission as presented at this meeting. Seconded by Ms. Mayberry. Mrs. Pschirrer asked if there was any discussion. There was none. With Mr. Dalessio, Ms. Mayberry and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the motion was approved.

RECESS SELECTBOARD MEETING:

Mrs. Pschirrer announced that the regular Selectboard meeting was being recessed. The Selectboard will enter into a Non-Public Selectboard Session. FACT-TV discontinued their filming and left the meeting at 6:45 PM.

The regular Selectboard meeting resumed at 6:48 PM.

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. Seconded by Mr. Dalessio. Mrs. Pschirrer asked if there was any discussion. There was none. On a roll call vote with Mrs. Pschirrer, Mr. Dalessio and Ms. Mayberry in favor, the motion was approved at 6:48 PM.

The regular Selectboard meeting resumed at 7:22 PM.

Mr. Dalessio moved that the Minutes of the Non-Public Selectboard session of March 26, 2020, be sealed. Seconded by Ms. Mayberry. Mrs. Pschirrer asked if there was any discussion. There was none. With Mr. Dalessio, Ms. Mayberry and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the motion was approved.

RECESS SELECTBOARD MEETING:

Ms. Mayberry moved to recess the Selectboard meeting. The Selectboard will enter into a meeting as the Hooper Trustees. Seconded by Mr. Dalessio. Mrs. Pschirrer asked if there was any discussion. There was none. With Ms. Mayberry, Mr. Dalessio and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the motion was approved.

The regular Selectboard meeting resumed at 7:30 PM.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Town Hall Building: Mrs. Downing reported that the staff has expressed concern with people coming into the Town Hall from other states and countries. Some are coming in by appointment with the Town Clerk's office. Ms. Mayberry noted they have to mandate the safe spacing distance. The Selectboard reviewed the safety, sanitized precautions now being taken in the building.

ADJOURNMENT:

Ms. Mayberry moved to adjourn this Selectboard meeting. Seconded by Mr. Dalessio. Mrs. Pschirrer asked if there was any discussion. There was none. With Ms. Mayberry, Mr. Dalessio and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the meeting was adjourned at 7:32 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 April 2, 2020, Selectboard meeting.)