

**TOWN OF WALPOLE
MEETING OF THE SELECTBOARD
JULY 29, 2021**

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

CALL TO ORDER: Ms. Mayberry, Chair of the Walpole Selectboard, called this meeting to order at 6:31 PM in the Walpole Town Hall. This meeting was being recorded. Attending this meeting was Mrs. Sarah Downing, Manager of Administration. Members of the Community Power Committee present were: Dennis Marcom, Patrick Kiniry, Ron Bouchard and Paul Looney.

COMMUNITY POWER COALITION PRESENTATION: Ms. Mayberry introduced Mr. Henry Herndon, Member Engagement Consultant for the Community Power Coalition of NH. Mr. Herndon gave an overview of the goal of community power; to give users a choice regarding electricity from alternative energy sources, possibly at a lower cost. The process started in 2020 with a workgroup of interested municipalities.

The coalition hired a law firm with power sector experience to create the agreement that was approved in Jan. 2021. Phase I is for municipalities to join the coalition. Phase II is for each municipality to develop a plan to bring to Town Meeting. The coalition would manage the staffing and aggregation of the power programs. Each community that is part of the coalition has a designated representative and alternate. Mrs. Pschirrer read the motion from the July 22, 2021 Selectboard Minutes for the chair to sign the Joint Powers Agreement to allow Walpole to become a member of the coalition.

Ms. Mayberry asked for a list of communities involved in the project. Mr. Herndon stated that there are now nine members which are Lebanon, Hanover, Nashua, Exeter, Rye, Dover, Warner, Harrisville and Walpole. Mr. Herndon stated a save-the-date notice for October 1st is forthcoming for signing an updated Joint Powers Agreement with corrections and clarifications.

Mrs. Pschirrer moved to appoint Paul Looney and Dennis Marcom as Walpole's designated representative and alternate for the Community Power Coalition of New Hampshire. Seconded by Mr. Dalessio. With Mrs. Pschirrer, Mr. Dalessio and Ms. Mayberry in favor, the motion was approved

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

Mrs. Pschirrer moved to accept the Accounts Payable Check Register in the total amount of \$146,685.63 for checks issued July 30, 2021. This includes a payment in the amount of \$107,844 for a Highway truck that was approved by a 2021 Warrant Article. Seconded by Mr. Dalessio. With Mrs. Pschirrer, Mr. Dalessio and Ms. Mayberry in favor, the motion was approved.

Dr. Charles Shaw and Mr. Ray Boas came into the meeting.

NON-PUBLIC SELECTBOARD MEETING #1: Mrs. Pschirrer moved to enter into a Non-Public Selectboard Session #1 pursuant to RSA 91-A:3 II to discuss (d) Property. Seconded by Mr. Dalessio. With Mrs. Pschirrer, Mr. Dalessio and Ms. Mayberry in favor, the motion was approved at 7:02 PM.

The regular Selectboard meeting resumed at 7:50 PM.

PAYROLL:

Mrs. Pschirrer moved to accept the Payroll Check Register for the week ending July 24, 2021, in the amount of \$32,926.85 for checks dated July 30, 2021, and for the 941 Payroll Tax Transfer in the amount of \$6,603.73. Seconded by Mr. Dalessio. With Mrs. Pschirrer, Mr. Dalessio and Ms. Mayberry in favor, the motion was approved.

SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES:

SELECTBOARD MINUTES – July 22, 2021: Mrs. Pschirrer moved to accept the Minutes of the Selectboard meeting of July 22, 2021, as submitted. Seconded by Mr. Dalessio. With Mrs. Pschirrer, Mr. Dalessio and Ms. Mayberry in favor the Minutes were approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

The Selectboard acknowledged receipt of the following Committee reports:

- Zoning Board of Adjustment Meeting – July 21, 2021;
- Safety Committee Meeting – July 22, 2021.

WARRANTS:

WALPOLE WATER FEES: Mr. Dalessio moved to accept the Warrant for the Collection of Walpole Water Fees in the amount of \$51,684.70. Seconded by Mrs. Pschirrer. With Mr. Dalessio, Mrs. Pschirrer and Ms. Mayberry in favor, the motion was approved.

WALPOLE SEWER FEES: Mr. Dalessio moved to accept the Warrant for the Collection of Walpole Sewer Fees in the amount of \$88,421.92. Seconded by Mrs. Pschirrer. With Mr. Dalessio, Mrs. Pschirrer and Ms. Mayberry in favor, the motion was approved.

NORTH WALPOLE SEWER FEES: Mr. Dalessio moved to accept the Warrant for the Collection of North Walpole Sewer Fees in the amount of \$68,971.77. Seconded by Mrs. Pschirrer. With Mr. Dalessio, Mrs. Pschirrer and Ms. Mayberry in favor, the motion was approved.

LAND USE CHANGE TAX:

MAP and LOT #011-001-001: Mr. Dalessio moved to approve the Land Use Change Tax bill in the amount of \$8,500 for the owner(s) of Map and Lot #011-001-001. The land was disturbed to build a new home. Seconded by Mrs. Pschirrer. With Mr. Dalessio, Mrs. Pschirrer and Ms. Mayberry in favor, the motion was approved.

BUILDING PERMIT:

Permit #2021-31, MAP and LOT #012-044-500: Mr. Dalessio moved to grant Building Permit No. 2021-31 for the owner(s) of Map and Lot #012-044-500 to add a “28’ x 12’ Prebuilt Shed”. Seconded by Mrs. Pschirrer. With Mr. Dalessio, Mrs. Pschirrer and Ms. Mayberry in favor, the motion was approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

Granite Park Bench Donation Request: Ms. Mayberry mentioned this was discussed last week. They asked for a picture of the bench and that was received. There was a consensus of the Selectboard to let Mrs. Frankiewicz know they will accept the bench and find a place for it on the Common.

Brownfields Cleanup of Former Central Plating Site Update: Mrs. Pschirrer reported that the asbestos analysis was completed. The electricity has been turned off and they hope the water has been turned off by now. The fence has been taken down around the grassy area and small trees have been cut. At the request of Green Site Services, they will clean out the sumps and then start taking down the red garage building.

Pending Further Actions:

Mill Pond Dam Inspection, Vilas Bridge, Houghton Brook Bridge, Generators, Three Phase Power for Industrial Avenue and Bensonwood, Complete Streets re: Sidewalks: There were no updates at this meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

PA-36 for Discretionary Preservation Easement for Map and Lot #005-001-000: The Selectboard needed to set a date for a Public Hearing at least two weeks from tonight in order to meet the ten day posting time. There was a consensus to set the date for the Public Hearing as Thursday, August 12, 2021, at 6:00 PM.

Cemetery Deed D506: Mrs. Pschirrer moved to approve the Cemetery Deed for the purchase of Lot D506. Seconded by Mr. Dalessio. With Mrs. Pschirrer, Mr. Dalessio and Ms. Mayberry in favor, the motion was approved.

Purchase Order for Recycling Purchase: Mr. Dalessio moved to approve the Purchase Order for Walpole Recycling Sweatshirts for volunteers in the amount of \$786.50 from Bulldog Design LLC. Seconded by Mrs. Pschirrer. With Mr. Dalessio, Mrs. Pschirrer and Ms. Mayberry in favor, the motion was approved.

Main Street Crosswalk Signage Request: A pedestrian was almost struck while walking across the Main Street crosswalk. She had started walking in the crosswalk, got half way, and a man in a pick-up truck came out of Burdick’s yard and came real close to her, she hollered at him that “This is a crosswalk, you are supposed to Stop”, he said “Oh, I’m sorry” but kept going. The Selectboard was in favor of getting a “Stop for Pedestrians – State Law” sign. Mr. Rau will be asked to purchase the sign.

NON-PUBLIC SELECTBOARD SESSION #2:

Mrs. Pschirrer moved to enter into a Non-Public Selectboard Session #2 pursuant to RSA 91-A:3 II to discuss (c) Reputations. Seconded by Mr. Dalessio. With Mrs. Pschirrer, Mr. Dalessio and Ms. Mayberry in favor, the motion was approved at 8:13 PM.

The regular Selectboard meeting resumed at 8:17 PM.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mrs. Pschirrer moved to adjourn this Selectboard meeting. Seconded by Mr. Dalessio. Ms. Mayberry asked if there was any discussion. There was none. With Mrs. Pschirrer, Mr. Dalessio and Ms. Mayberry in favor, the meeting adjourned at 8:18 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Sarah Downing


Cheryl Mayberry, Chair


Steven Dalessio


Peggy M. Pschirrer

(Note: These are unapproved Minutes. Corrections will be found in the Minutes of the August 5, 2021, Selectboard meeting.)

