

**TOWN OF WALPOLE
MEETING OF THE SELECTBOARD
JUNE 23, 2022**

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

CALL TO ORDER: Mr. Dalessio called this Selectboard meeting to order at 6:31 PM in the Walpole Town Hall and via Zoom. This meeting was being recorded.

Mr. Dalessio called for a voice roll call of the Selectboard present: Peggy Pschirrer was present; Cheryl Mayberry was present; and Steven Dalessio, Chair, was present. Also present was Sarah Downing, Manager of Administration, and Regina Borden, Recording Secretary. There were no members of the public in attendance.

PAYROLL:

Ms. Mayberry moved to accept the Payroll Check Register for the week ending June 18, 2022, in the amount of \$31,294.66 dated June 24, 2022, and for the 941 Payroll Tax Transfer in the amount of \$6,476.40. Seconded by Mrs. Pschirrer. With Ms. Mayberry, Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the motion was approved.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

There was no Accounts Payable Check Register this week.

SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES:

SELECTBOARD MEETING – June 16, 2022: Ms. Mayberry moved to accept the Minutes of the Selectboard meeting of June 16, 2022, as submitted. Seconded by Mrs. Pschirrer. With Ms. Mayberry, Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the Minutes were approved.

NON-PUBLIC SELECTBOARD SESSION – June 16, 2022: Ms. Mayberry moved to accept the Minutes of the Non-Public Selectboard Session of June 16, 2022, 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 the following Committee reports:

- Library Trustees Meeting – May 10, 2022;
- Library Trustees Meeting – June 14, 2022;
- Planning Board Meeting – June 14, 2022.

PROPERTY TAX REFUND:

MAP and LOT #003-074-001: Ms. Mayberry moved to grant the Property Tax Refund for the owner(s) of Map and Lot #003-074-001 in the amount of \$1,037.00. This is due to a payment from escrow of the prior owner. 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 #027-005-000: Ms. Mayberry moved to approve the Notice of Intent to Cut Wood or Timber for the owner(s) of Map and Lot #027-005-000. This lot is located off of Route 12 that borders Charlestown. Seconded by Mrs. Pschirrer. With Ms. Mayberry, Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the motion was approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

Purchase Order for Tree Work on the Common: Ms. Mayberry moved to approve Purchase Order #310813 for Hartmann Tree & Garden LLC for “Pruning, dead wood removal and 3 trees removed w/stump grinding for the not to exceed amount of \$14,350.00. (\$4,735 to be billed for 3 tree removals / Remainder to be billed once work is completed. Funding from Quinton Fund – an expendable Trust Fund). Seconded by Mrs. Pschirrer. With Ms. Mayberry, Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the motion was approved.

Police Detail & General Fund Transfer: Mr. Rich Kreissle reported that a recent analysis of 2022 police details revealed that \$2,274.30 was transferred from the General Fund to the police revolving fund in error. These invoices included charges for the use of outside police agencies. He is requesting permission from the Treasurer to issue a bank check made out to the Town from the Police Revolving Fund to be deposited into the Town’s General Fund.

Mrs. Pschirrer moved to transfer \$2,274.30 from the Police Revolving Fund to the General Fund based on a recent analysis of 2022 police details. Seconded by Ms. Mayberry. With Mrs. Pschirrer, Mr. Mayberry and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the motion was approved.

Ruggiero Processing Facility Application Update: The Department of Environmental Services (DES) issued a letter to Rob Hitchcock, Engineer, SVE Associates, with a copy to the Town of Walpole, advising that the DES was unable to process the application for Type 1-B Permit Modification – Increase Weekly Capacity – Initial application received June 6, 2022. This request may be submitted through a Type 1-A permit modification application.

Pending Further Actions:

Generators, Houghton Brook Bridge, Parking Ordinance, Three Phase Power for Industrial Park Drive and Bensonwood

Mr. Dalessio reported that the Department of Environmental Services (NH DES) short application submitted by Fuss & O’Neill for Reservoir Dam funding is being considered but not approved. The Town was encouraged to submit a full application. The Cost Benefit Analysis will cost \$20,000. The grant request would be for \$500,000.

There are only two options per Mr. Dalessio. They are to take the dam down or to try to expand the bank. Since the dam has a high recreational value to the Town, we should consider trying to repair it first. His suggestion is to use ARPA money and move forward with it to a maximum of \$20,000. If they realize it will not be successful, they will stop. They have to agree tonight as to whether they want to continue with the application. Mrs. Pschirrer does not believe they have a choice except to go ahead with the project.

Mr. Dalessio had a spreadsheet that was done by Mr. Leo Smith that shows all the different projects going on right now. One column has potential funding sources. Whether they submit to each source or not is a different story. Its purpose is to show the scope of ongoing projects. It is a considerable amount of “stuff”. He would say the FEMA work is their priority. The Vilas Bridge is already on there. The Police Station Project is on this list. The Fire Department building is on that list but because it is for their district. It will be pulled off this list. Mr. Dalessio mentioned they are doing very well as far as applications go. It is important to get all the terminology done right. On Tuesday Mr. Dalessio and Mr. Mike Rau met with representatives from various agencies. They all have different umbrellas. Focus areas are School Street, Butternut Brook and Mad Brook. School Street includes all the way down to Main Street. Mad Brook area is all the way down to the Main Street Bridge and a little beyond. They have been talking to the agencies about what needs to be done and submitted. They need hydraulic analysis

done on every single project; the cost is high. Fuss & O'Neill may have over-scoped the project so they will go back to do a reduced scope of work. Mr. Dalessio will have an article in the July Clarion on where they are with the projects. A lot of work is going on. Mr. Dalessio gave Mr. Mike Rau a lot of credit for keeping all the information and documents submitted correctly. He has done a great job.

NEW BUSINESS:

Recreation Department – Pool: Ms. Mayberry mentioned that the Certificate of Insurance for the Brattleboro Swim Team was received. They will be using the pool. There will be bathroom access while the floor work is being done. This year they advertised “free” swim during the Old Home Days even though there probably was a \$1.00 charge in past years.

Old Home Days: The Selectboard looked over the schedule for the Old Home Days events, parade and fireworks.

RECESS SELECTBOARD MEETING:

Mrs. Pschirrer moved to recess this Selectboard meeting. The Selectboard will enter into a meeting as the Hooper Trustees. Seconded by Ms. Mayberry. With Mrs. Pschirrer, Ms. Mayberry and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the motion was approved at 7:04 PM.

The regular Selectboard meeting reconvened at 7:18 PM.

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 (b) Hiring. Seconded by Mrs. Pschirrer. With Ms. Mayberry, Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the motion was approved at 7:18 PM.

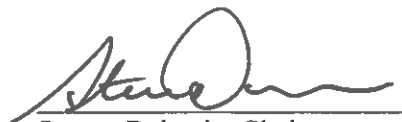

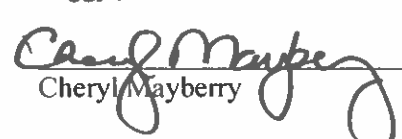
The regular Selectboard meeting reconvened at 7:22 PM.

Ms. Mayberry moved that the Minutes of the Non-Public Selectboard Session of June 23, 2022, will 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. Mr. Dalessio asked if there was any additional discussion. There was none. With Ms. Mayberry, Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the meeting was adjourned at 7:23 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Regina Borden, Recording Secretary


Steven Dalessio, Chair

Peggy L. Pschirrer

Cheryl Mayberry

(Note: These are unapproved Minutes. Corrections will be found in the Minutes of the June 30, 2022, Selectboard meeting.)