

**TOWN OF WALPOLE
MEETING OF THE SELECTBOARD
JUNE 15, 2023**

Selectboard Present: Steve Dalessio, Cheryl Mayberry and Peggy Pschirrer, Chair
Staff Present: Sarah Downing, Manager of Administration; Jordan Cannon, Recording Secretary; Vicki Gohl, Deputy Town Clerk & Tax Collector
Others Present: Michael Hayes

CALL TO ORDER: Mrs. Pschirrer called this Selectboard meeting to order at 6:30 PM. She introduced the Selectboard to those in attendance.

NEW BUSINESS:

Recreation Committee: Mr. Hayes stated he was present to discuss the Recreation Committee. He is interested in pickleball and the Town pickleball courts. Mr. Hayes was advised by David Kuniholm that he was not allowed to record the minutes of the Recreation Committee. Ms. Mayberry clarified that recordings must be declared. Mrs. Pschirrer stated that the chair of the meeting is typically the individual to notify if a recording is taking place. Mr. Hayes asked what the criteria were for being on the Recreation Committee. Mr. Hayes questioned the practices of the Recreation Committee in regard to taking minutes. Mr. Hayes attended a Recreation Committee meeting on 4/19/2023. Ms. Mayberry informed Mr. Hayes as to the member makeup of the Recreation Committee. Mrs. Pschirrer advised Mr. Hayes that members of the Recreation Committee are voluntary. Mr. Hayes stated that before January he told Ms. Mayberry that he wanted to be on the Recreation Committee, and his agenda was pickleball. Ms. Mayberry stated that there was not a position open on the Recreation Committee at the time he communicated his interest. Ms. Mayberry stated that the goal is not to have members on the Recreation Committee who have only a single interest. Ms. Mayberry described the process by which the Recreation Committee sought to gauge interest in pickleball prior to assigning funds to pickleball. Mr. Dalessio asked if the Drewsville basketball court was suitable for pickleball. Mr. Hayes stated that he did not know but commented that the sound of pickleball has been a common complaint from residents who live near a pickleball court. Ms. Mayberry stated that the goal was to minimize any potential conflict between those playing tennis and those playing pickleball. Mr. Dalessio reflected his understanding that Mr. Hayes was raising one issue of the Recreation Committee meeting, and a second issue of pickleball itself. Mr. Dalessio stated that it is important to know what the utilization of a town property is before the allocation of Town funds. Mr. Hayes asked if the land on Walker Road would be suitable for pickleball. Mrs. Pschirrer commented that the Conservation Committee may be against this potential pickleball court site. Mr. Hayes thanked the Selectboard and left the meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

Town Website: Ms. Gohl stated she would be asking the Selectboard if they would sign off on the core design of the website which she has in draft. The design portion is the boxes, colors, and functionality of the home page. After the designer is finished, the project manager finalizes the website for approval. Ms. Gohl showed the Selectboard the draft design on her laptop and demonstrated options for the home page. She spoke about graphic options available for images. The Selectboard and Ms. Gohl discussed potential ideas for images and graphics that would best serve the purpose of the website. Mrs. Pschirrer spoke about the importance of the usability and accessibility of the website for Town residents. Ms. Mayberry commented that another consideration should be given to newly arrived residents who are seeking Town services. Mr. Dalessio clarified that the website should not be structured by color, so to comply with ADA requirements. He stated the most commonly used links should be prioritized. Ms. Gohl found agreement in the Selectboard for the colors she chose for the website. A general discussion was had regarding the possibilities for function and user friendliness of website options. Ms. Gohl asked how the

Selectboard wanted to proceed with the development of the website. Mrs. Pschirrer commented that Ms. Gohl sending the Selectboard members the link to the website for review would be preferable. Ms. Gohl thanked the Selectboard and left the meeting.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

Mr. Dalessio moved to approve the Accounts Payable Check Register totaling \$862,013.92 dated 6/16/2023, this includes a \$700,531.13 payment to the Fall Mt. Regional School District. Seconded by Ms. Mayberry. With Mr. Dalessio, Ms. Mayberry and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the motion was approved.

PAYROLL:

Mr. Dalessio moved to approve the Payroll Register totaling \$30,704.98 dated 6/16/2023 and the 941 Payroll Tax Transfer of \$6,442.95. Seconded by Ms. Mayberry. With Mr. Dalessio, Ms. Mayberry and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the motion was approved.

SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES:

SELECTBOARD MEETING – June 8, 2023: Mr. Dalessio moved to approve the Minutes of the Selectboard meeting of June 8, 2023. Seconded by Ms. Mayberry. With Mr. Dalessio, Ms. Mayberry, and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the motion was approved.

SELECTBOARD NON-PUBLIC SESSION – June 8, 2023: Mr. Dalessio moved to approve the amended Minutes of the Selectboard Non-Public Session of June 8, 2023. Seconded by Ms. Mayberry. With Mr. Dalessio, Ms. Mayberry and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the motion was approved. The minutes are to remain sealed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Mr. Dalessio brought attention to:

- Police Study Committee – May 15, 2023
- Cemetery Trustees Meeting – June 12, 2023

Mrs. Pschirrer acknowledged these reports.

TIMBER INTENT:

Map and Lot#013-057-000: Mr. Dalessio moved to approve the timber intent for Map and Lot# 013-057-000 for a wooded lot off of Cheney Hill Road. Seconded by Ms. Mayberry. With Mr. Dalessio, Ms. Mayberry and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the motion was approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

Pending Further Action: Mr. Dalessio commented that for Houghton Brook Bridge there are no further funds available. At present, the project is being looked at for redesign potential.

NEW BUSINESS:

Trustee of Trust Funds Request: Mr. Dalessio motioned to approve the request for \$935 from the Cemetery Trust Fund for a boundary survey invoice. Seconded by Ms. Mayberry. With Mr. Dalessio, Ms. Mayberry and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the motion was approved.

Unlicensed Dogs Listing: Mrs. Pschirrer commented on a report listing residents who have not paid their dog licensing fees. Mrs. Pschirrer stated that a mailing postcard should be considered for residents who have expired dog licenses. Mr. Dalessio spoke to the practices that occur in other jurisdictions when an individual fails to pay their dog license fees. He was aware that dog registration can be done at any time of the year. The Selectboard reviewed the list of individuals who have failed to pay the dog registration fee and acknowledged their receipt of this list.

Granite Bench on the Common: Mrs. Pschirrer commented that a complaint was received about a bench on the Common that they fear is going to burn children because of its material heating in the sunlight. The Selectboard stated that a laminated sign would be placed near this bench.

Thank you notes: Mrs. Pschirrer acknowledged a thank you note received from the Nash Family. She then mentioned a second thank you note from the Fall Mt. High School Prom Committee.

Planning Board: Mr. Dalessio stated that at a recent Planning Board meeting, there was a discussion regarding Alyson's Orchard. The fruit crop has been damaged this year due to the weather. Mr. Dalessio mentioned other developments at Alyson's Orchard in the expansion of their operational capacity.

NON-PUBLIC BUSINESS RSA 91-A:3 II (a) (c):

Mr. Dalessio moved to enter into Non-Public Session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3 II (a) and (c) at 8:07 PM. Ms. Mayberry seconded. With Mr. Dalessio, Ms. Mayberry and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the motion was approved.

The meeting was reconvened at 8:35 PM.

HOOPER TRUSTEES MEETING:

Mr. Dalessio moved to enter into Hooper Trustees Meeting at 8:36 PM. Ms. Mayberry seconded. With Mr. Dalessio, Ms. Mayberry and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the motion was approved.

The meeting was reconvened at 8:58 PM.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Dalessio motioned to adjourn at 8:59 PM. Ms. Mayberry seconded the motion. With Mr. Dalessio, Ms. Mayberry, and Mrs. Pschirrer in favor, the Selectboard meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Jordan Cannon, Recording Secretary


Peggy L. Pschirrer, Chair


Steven Dalessio


Cheryl Mayberry

(Note: These are unapproved Minutes. Corrections will be found in the Minutes of the June 22, 2023, Selectboard meeting.)