

**TOWN OF WALPOLE
MEETING OF THE SELECTBOARD
JULY 22, 2021**

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

CALL TO ORDER: Mr. Dalessio called this meeting to order at 6:31 PM in the Walpole Town Hall. Ms. Mayberry will be attending but will be late. This meeting was being recorded. Also present was Mrs. Sarah Downing, Manager of Administration, and Mrs. Regina Borden, Recording Secretary. There were no members of the public in attendance.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

Mrs. Pschirrer moved to accept the Accounts Payable Check Register in the total amount of \$777,483.66 for checks issued July 23, 2021. This includes a monthly payment in the amount of \$607,559.42 to the Fall Mountain Regional School District. Seconded by Mr. Dalessio. With Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the motion was approved.

PAYROLL:

Mrs. Pschirrer moved to accept the Payroll Check Register for the week ending July 17, 2021, in the amount of \$32,484.99 for checks dated July 23, 2021, and for the 941 Payroll Tax Transfer in the amount of \$6,215.91. Seconded by Mr. Dalessio. With Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the motion was approved.

SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES:

SELECTBOARD MINUTES – July 15, 2021: Mrs. Pschirrer moved to accept the Minutes of the Selectboard meeting of July 15, 2021, as submitted. Seconded by Mr. Dalessio. With Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the Minutes were approved.

NON-PUBLIC SELECTBOARD SESSION MINUTES – July 15, 2021: Mrs. Pschirrer moved to accept the Minutes of the Non-Public Selectboard Session of July 15, 2021, as submitted. These Minutes will remain sealed. Seconded by Mr. Dalessio. With Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the Minutes were approved.

STAFF MEETING MINUTES – July 15, 2021: Mrs. Pschirrer moved to accept the Minutes of the Staff Meeting of July 15, 2021, as submitted. Seconded by Mr. Dalessio. With Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the Minutes were approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

The Selectboard acknowledged receipt of the following Committee reports:

- Conservation Committee Meeting – July 12, 2021;
- Planning Board Meeting – July 13, 2021.

LAND USE CHANGE TAX:

MAP and LOTS #021-025 and #026-000: Mrs. Pschirrer moved to deny the Appeal of the Land Use Change Tax (LUCT) for the owner(s) of Map and Lots #021-025 and #026-000 based on the recommendation of Avitar Associates, since there was a lack of a credible opinion of the market value of the two lots. Seconded by Mr. Dalessio. With Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the motion was approved.

DEMOLITION PERMITS:

Permit #2021-29, MAP and LOT #019-068-000: Mrs. Pschirrer moved to grant Demolition Permit #2021-29 for the owner(s) of Map and Lot #019-068-000 to “Remove 3 Car Garage, Breezeway, Front Porch & Rear Porch, Bump Out on Back of House”. Seconded by Mr. Dalessio. With Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the motion was approved.

Permit #2021-30, MAP and LOT #020-063-000: Mrs. Pschirrer moved to grant Demolition Permit #2021-30 for the owner(s) of Map and Lot #020-063-000 to “Remove Former Wastewater Treatment Building”. Seconded by Mr. Dalessio. Mr. Dalessio requested that a note be put on this permit stating that: “This is part of the clean-up process for the former Central Plating Brownfields EPA site”. With Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the motion was approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

Recreation Revolving Fund Request: Mrs. Pschirrer moved to approve the Recreation Department’s Revolving Fund request to purchase a new ADA chair for the Town Pool for the amount of \$5,745.00 and to sign Purchase Order #678083. Seconded by Mr. Dalessio. With Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the motion was approved.

Ms. Mayberry came into the meeting and assumed the position as Chair.

Community Power Coalition: Mrs. Pschirrer reported that members of the Community Power Committee met. She had sent out copies of the “Invitation to Join the Community Power Coalition of New Hampshire” along with other information. There is no cost to join; it would give us a seat on the Board of Directors. Walpole can drop out if they choose to do so. It will be incorporated within the next month. The Coalition already has 6-or-7 members; Lebanon, Hanover, Dublin, Harrisville and Nashua. Some of these towns have already adopted their own plan. There will be options when we choose our own: solar panels, wind-power, or none of them. Mrs. Pschirrer will ask Mr. Henry Herndon to attend the meeting next week. Some members of the local committee plan to attend as well.

Mrs. Pschirrer moved that the Walpole Selectboard enter into an inter-municipal agreement known as the “Joint Powers Agreement” under the provisions of New Hampshire RSA 53-A to create the Community Power Coalition of New Hampshire (CPCNH) for the purpose of supporting member municipalities and counties in developing and implementing electric aggregation plans, pursuant to RSA 53-E, as well as related statutory authorities. Be it further moved, that the Selectboard, is authorized to appoint a representative and an alternate to the CPCNH Membership and Board of Directors”. Seconded by Mr. Dalessio. Ms. Mayberry asked if there was any discussion. With Mrs. Pschirrer, Mr. Dalessio and Ms. Mayberry in favor, the motion was approved.

Mrs. Pschirrer moved that the Chair of the Selectboard, Cheryl Mayberry, be authorized to sign the Articles of Agreement and the Joint Powers Agreement of Community Power Coalition of New Hampshire that was already approved by their legal counsel. Seconded by Mr. Dalessio. With Mrs. Pschirrer, Mr. Dalessio and Ms. Mayberry in favor, the motion was approved.

Brownfields Cleanup of former Central Plating Site Update: Mrs. Pschirrer reported the Selectboard approved the demolition of the former wastewater treatment (red) building on the former Central Plating site at this meeting. Green Site Services (GSS) plans to begin this project on Monday, August 2nd. They are in the process of getting other permits. She speaks with Ms. Tamis from GSS almost every day. The project is moving forward.

Rescheduling Arborclimb Meeting on Common: There was a consensus of the Selectboard to reschedule the Arborclimb meeting on the Common for August 5th at 5 PM.

Rescheduling E.C. Warmington Visit: The Selectboard asked Mrs. Downing to reschedule the Executive Councilor Warmington visit on August 13th at 3 PM

Pending Further Actions:

Mill Pond Dam Inspection, Vilas Bridge, Houghton Brook Bridge, Generators, Three Phase Power for Industrial Avenue and Bensonwood

US Flag/Bunting for US Holidays Citizen Comment: Mrs. Downing spoke with Mr. Whit Aldrich. He agreed there were not many flags out on Memorial Day due to heavy rain. Mr. Dalessio recommended making a note to put flags out when they can on Memorial Day and July 4th.

Portage Parade: Mrs. Pschirrer reported on her visit to the Connecticut River Conservancy Portage Parade last Saturday. It was well attended. Walpole Police cruisers escorted participants along the route.

Complete Streets: Ms. Mayberry sent copies of some emails to Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio. It included links to zoom into all the sidewalks in Town. Mr. J.B. Mack suggested the Town hire somebody to do an assessment and some outreach to get some feedback on the sidewalk project. They allow funds for engineering but Mr. Mack thought they might get a benefit from developing a plan for sidewalks. Mr. Dalessio asked Mr. Rau to get estimates on the sidewalks for both asphalt and concrete.

NEW BUSINESS:

Five (5) Town Joint Meeting re: Fall Mountain Regional School District: The Town of Walpole will host this Joint Selectboard meeting on Friday, July 30th at 4:30 PM at the Walpole Town Hall. They will have a preliminary discussion on what they want to accomplish.

Purchase Order for One-Ton Truck for Highway Department: Mr. Dalessio moved to approve the purchase of a 2022 International HV507 one-ton truck for the amount of \$107,844.00 for the Highway Department as approved under Warrant Article #6 at the March 2021 Town Meeting. Seconded by Mrs. Pschirrer. With Mr. Dalessio, Mrs. Pschirrer and Ms. Mayberry in favor, the motion was approved.

Notice of Appointments for Conservation Commission:

Appointment for Member: Ms. Mayberry advised that Mr. Palmiotto is presently an alternate member of the Conservation Commission. This appointment is to finish out Jackie Kensen's term as she resigned. Mrs. Pschirrer moved to approve the appointment of Peter Palmiotto as a member of the Conservation Commission for a period of less than one (1) year, August 2021 through Town Meeting, March 2022. Seconded by Mr. Dalessio. With Mrs. Pschirrer, Mr. Dalessio and Ms. Mayberry in favor, the motion was approved.

Appointment of Alternate Member: Mrs. Pschirrer moved to approve the appointment of Kara Dexter as an Alternate Member of the Conservation Commission for a period of three (3) years, August 2021 through Town Meeting, March 2024. Seconded by Mr. Dalessio. With Mrs. Pschirrer, Mr. Dalessio and Ms. Mayberry in favor, the motion was approved.

Granite Park Bench Donation Request: Mrs. Marcia Frankiewicz would like to donate a four-foot Granite Park bench with a back to be placed on the Common in memory of her husband, Ronald Frankiewicz. She will pay for the installation and cement pad. The Selectboard would like to see a picture of the bench. They will make a decision on where to place it.

Credit Cards: Ms. Mayberry talked to Mr. Rich Kreissle about the Town credit cards. She asked him to look into increasing their credit limit. There is a credit card policy that might have to be revised. There should be a purchase order policy. Mr. Dalessio felt Credit Card and Purchase Order Policies and Procedures could be discussed at a Staff Meeting.

Communication: Ms. Mayberry asked Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio how they communicate with the department managers after decisions are made at meetings. Mrs. Pschirrer usually emails them after she gets back home after the meeting. Mr. Dalessio calls Mr. Houghton on the following day (Friday). He notifies Mr. Rau on the following Monday or Tuesday when the department is not working on Fridays. Ms. Mayberry noted this is important especially with time sensitive issues.

Sale of Tax Deeded Properties: Mrs. Downing advised that ads for the sale of the two tax deeded properties will be published in the Keene Sentinel.

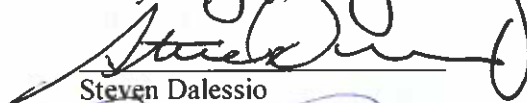
ADJOURNMENT:

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 7:28 PM.

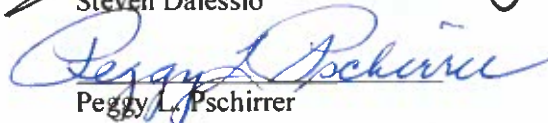
Respectfully submitted,
Regina Borden, Recording Secretary



Cheryl Mayberry, Chair



Steven Dalessio



Peggy L. Pschirrer

(Note: These are unapproved Minutes. Corrections will be found in the Minutes of the July 29, 2021, Selectboard meeting.)