

**TOWN OF WALPOLE
MEETING OF THE SELECTBOARD
FEBRUARY 16, 2023**

Selectboard Present: Steven Dalessio, Chair; Peggy Pschirrer and Cheryl Mayberry

CALL TO ORDER: Mr. Dalessio called this meeting of the Selectboard to order at 6:32 PM in the Walpole Town Hall.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

Ms. Mayberry moved to approve the Accounts Payable Check Register in the total amount of \$736,617.16 for checks issued February 17, 2023. Seconded by Mrs. Pschirrer. With Ms. Mayberry, Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the motion was approved. This includes a payment of \$700,531.13 for Fall Mt. Regional School District.

PAYROLL:

Ms. Mayberry moved to approve the Payroll Check Register in the amount of \$30,493.74 dated February 17, 2023, and for the 941 Payroll Tax Transfer in the amount of \$6,044.62. Seconded by Mrs. Pschirrer. With Ms. Mayberry, Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the motion was approved.

SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES:

PUBLIC HEARING FOR 2023 ANNUAL BUDGET– February 8, 2023: Ms. Mayberry moved to approve the Minutes of the Public Hearing of February 8, 2023. Seconded by Mrs. Pschirrer. With Ms. Mayberry, Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the motion was approved.

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

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

The following reports were acknowledged by the Selectboard:

- North Walpole Commissioner's Meeting 12.20.2022
- North Walpole Commissioner's Meeting 12.27.2022
- Trustee of Trust Funds Meeting 1.27.2023
- Cemetery Trustees Meeting 2.13.2023

SUPPLEMENTAL TAX WARRANT:

Map and Lot# 012-012-004: Ms. Mayberry moved to approve a supplemental tax warrant for Map and Lot# 012-012-004, of \$11,617 for a property in the Low Income Housing Tax Credit Program Ms. Pschirrer seconded. With Ms. Mayberry, Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the motion was approved.

REFUND:

Map and Lot# 019-061-000: Ms. Mayberry moved to approve a property tax refund for Map and Lot# 019-061-000 for \$90.44 for the overpayment of interest. Ms. Pschirrer seconded. With Ms. Mayberry, Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the motion was approved.

Map and Lot# 003-034-008 and 028-131-000: Ms. Mayberry moved to approve a property tax refund for Map and Lot# 003-034-008 and 028-131-000 for \$24.19 for the overpayment of interest. Ms. Pschirrer seconded. With Ms. Mayberry, Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the motion was approved.

Interest vs. No Interest Refunds: The Selectboard discussed property owners' abatements that originated from spring estimated tax payments being more than the final tax bill. Ms. Mayberry stated her opinion not to pay the interest on the refunds. Mr. Dalessio stated that the DRA states that the Town should pay the interest, and the DRA is the highest authority. However, the matter has not been settled by the DRA, Avitar and the Tax Collectors' Association.

Ms. Mayberry motioned to sign the abatement reimbursements for the refunded amount for the abatement only, not to include interest for Map 4 lot for \$67; map 6 lot 7 for \$22; map 9 lot 28 for \$23; map 10 lot 34 for \$103; map 11 lot 50 for \$18; map 16 lot 5 sub-lot mh04 for \$1; map 24 lot 38 for \$303. Ms. Pschirrer seconded. With Ms. Mayberry, Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the motion was approved.

ALL VETERAN'S TAX CREDIT:

Map and Lot# 013-052-000: Ms. Mayberry moved to approve an All Veterans' Tax Credit for Map and Lot# 013-052-000, as the applicant met the requirement by serving over 90 days of active duty and was honorably discharged. Ms. Pschirrer seconded. With Ms. Mayberry, Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the motion was approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

Reservoir Dam: Mr. Dalessio stated that the executive council approved the grant of \$740,000 for the Reservoir Dam. Paperwork and contracts will be coming up for that. He stated the procurement policy would need to be reviewed since this will be a requirement for the grant.

Pool Repair: Mr. Dalessio commenced a discussion regarding the pool. Ms. Mayberry informed the Selectboard that the total repair cost for the pool is \$90,000. We only have \$52,000-\$53,000 left in the warrant. The leak repair itself is \$7,000, and this needs to be scheduled now to prepare for pool opening in June. The Selectboard reached consensus to move forward with repairing the pool leak for \$7,000. Mr. Dalessio advised speaking to Mr. Kreissle to determine if the count ARPA funds could be utilized to complete the entire pool repair project.

Mailboxes and Structures in Town Right of Way Policy: Mr. Dalessio stated that he will have a draft prepared for next week for a decision. Mr. Dalessio stated to remove "avoid" and to place "not permitted" in the wording of the policy concerning mailbox structures in town to demonstrate it is a directive. Mr. Dalessio stated that the new policy would be ready to sign next week.

Mascoma Bank Parking Lot Light: Mr. Dalessio stated the Town has received another complaint for Light 159-2. He confirmed that this light is owned by the Town. Ms. Pschirrer stated the issue with the light is that it is too bright and is shining into the house two doors away. Mr. Dalessio stated the manufacturers of the light are being consulted to see if the light can be dimmed.

NEW BUSINESS:

MS-636: Mr. Dalessio commented that the MS-636 was ready to sign. Ms. Mayberry motioned to sign the MS-636. Mrs. Pschirrer seconded. With Ms. Mayberry, Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the motion was approved.

Cemetery Deed: Ms. Pschirrer motioned to approve the cemetery deed for lots E-886 and E-887. Mrs. Mayberry seconded. With Ms. Mayberry, Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the motion was approved.

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

Ms. Mayberry moved to enter into Non-Public Session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3 II (a) at 7:14 PM. Mrs. Pschirrer seconded. With Ms. Mayberry, Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the motion was approved.

HOOPER TRUSTEES MEETING

Ms. Mayberry moved to enter into the Hooper Trustees meeting at 7:55 PM. Mrs. Pschirrer seconded. With Ms. Mayberry, Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the motion was approved.

ADJOURNMENT:

Ms. Pschirrer moved to adjourn this Selectboard meeting at 8:04 PM. Seconded by Mrs. Mayberry. Mr. Dalessio asked if there was any additional discussion. There was none. Mrs. Pschirrer and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the motion was approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Jordan Cannon, Recording Secretary


Steven Dalessio, Chair


Peggy L. Pschirrer


Cheryl Mayberry

(Note: These are unapproved Minutes. Corrections will be found in the Minutes of the February 23, 2023, Selectboard meeting.)