

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 26, 2008 MINUTES

I. Call to Order/Roll Call

Chairman Brian Major called the meeting of the Board of Selectmen to order 6:02 P.M. in the Selectmen's Conference Room at the Town Offices. Present were: Chairman Major and Selectmen Mary Lyman, Alex Vispoli and Gerald Stabile. Also present was Town Manager Reginald Stapczynski. The meeting was duly posted and cablecast live.

II. Opening Ceremonies

Chairman Major asked for a Moment of Silence followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Reorganization of the Board

Brian Major and other members offered congratulations to Mary Lyman for being elected to the Board of Selectmen. Selectman Lyman motioned to nominate Selectman Teichert as Chair. The motion was seconded by Selectman Vispoli, and voted 4-0 to approve. Selectman Lyman motioned to nominate Selectman Vispoli as Vice Chair. The motion was seconded by Selectman Stabile, and voted 4-0 to approve. Selectman Stabile motioned to nominate Selectman Lyman as Secretary. The motion was seconded by Selectman Vispoli, and voted 4-0 to approve. The new positions will be effective upon completion of the 2008 Town Meeting.

IV. Citizens Petitions and Presentations

Mary Carbone of 3 Cyr Circle commented that she is not suggesting an override be presented to the community at Town Meeting.

V. Regular Business of the Board

- A. Board discussed and took positions on the following 2008 Annual Town Meeting Warrant Articles that were on hold:

Article 6 – FY-2009 Budget – Contingent Override – Selectman Lyman motioned to insert Article 6 FY-2009 Budget – Contingent Override in the amount of \$2.5 million. Selectman Lyman Vispoli seconded the motion. The motion was voted 4-0 to insert Article 6 for \$2.5 million. Selectman Stabile motioned to recommend approval of Article 6 for insertion. There was no second and no additional motion. Selectman Vispoli motioned to hold on recommending approval of Article 6. The motion was seconded by Selectman Lyman, and voted 3-1 to hold.

Article 9 – FY2009 Capital Projects Stabilization Fund Contingent – Selectman Lyman motioned to not insert Article 9 FY2009 Capital Projects Stabilization Fund Contingent. The motion was seconded by Selectman Vispoli, and voted 3-0-1 not to insert.

Article 29 – Town Building Maintenance and Renovation – Selectman Vispoli motioned to recommend support of Article 29 Town Building Maintenance and Renovations. The motion was seconded by Selectman Stabile, and voted 4-0 to recommend approval.

Article 30 – Lovely Field Improvements – Selectman Stabile motioned to support Article 30 for Lovely Field Improvements. The motion was seconded by Selectman Vispoli, voted 3-1 and approved.

Article 32 – Ledge Road Landfill Closure – Selectman Vispoli motioned to recommend approval of Article 32 Ledge Road Landfill Closure not to exceed \$7,370,000. The motion was seconded by Selectman Lyman, and voted 4-0 to recommend approval.

Article 33 – Bridge Repairs – Selectman Lyman motioned to recommend approval of Article #33 – Bridge Repairs in the amount of \$600,000. The motion was seconded by Selectman Vispoli, and voted 4-0 to recommend approval.

Article 34 – Shawsheen River Outfall Sewer – Selectman Vispoli motioned to recommend approval of Article #34 – Shawsheen River Outfall Sewer in the amount of \$4,000,000. The motion was seconded by Selectman Lyman, and voted 4-0 to recommend approval.

Article 37 – Fire Rescue and DPW Vehicles – Selectman Stabile motioned to recommend approval of Article #37 Fire Rescue and DPW Vehicles in the amount of \$973,000. The motion was seconded by Selectman Lyman, and voted 4-0 to recommend approval.

Article 38 – DPW Sewer Division New Vehicle – Selectman Vispoli motioned to not recommend approval of Article 38 – DPW Sewer Division New Vehicle. The motion was seconded by Selectman Lyman, and voted 4-0 to not recommend approval.

Article 40 – Open Space Land Acquisition – Selectman Stabile motioned to recommend approval in the amount of \$1.5 million for Open Space Land Acquisition Article 40. The motion was seconded by Selectman Lyman, and voted 2-2. The motion stays on hold.

Article 40A – Open Space Land Acquisition – Selectman Lyman motioned to approve Article 40A – Open Space Land Acquisition with contingency for debt exclusion and to present both options to citizens for contingency for debt exclusion. The motion was seconded by Selectman Vispoli, and voted 3-1 to recommend Article 40A with debt exclusion in the amount of 1.5 million.

Article 42 – General Bylaw-Residential Anti-blight Bylaw – No vote taken.

Article 44 – Medicare Extensions for Retirees – No vote taken.

Article 45 - William Wood Memorial – Selectman Vispoli motioned to recommend approval of Article 45 –William Wood Memorial in the amount of \$165,000. The motion was seconded by Selectman Stabile, and voted 4-0 to recommend approval.

Article 46- William Wood Memorial Park Improvements – Selectman Vispoli motioned to approve \$285,000 for William Wood Memorial Park Improvements using funds from the Wood Trust. The motion was seconded by Selectman Lyman, and voted 4-0 to recommend approval.

Article 47- Sidewalk Reconstruction – Selectman Vispoli motioned to disapprove recommendation of Article 47- Sidewalk Reconstruction. The motion was seconded by Selectman Lyman, and voted 4-0 to recommend disapproval.

Article 48 – Conveyance and Transfer of Land- Dwight Street and School Street – No

vote taken.

Article 49 – Recreation Park Ball Field and Lighting Project – Selectman Vispoli motioned to recommend disapproval of Article 49 – Recreation Park Ball Field and Lighting Project. The motion was seconded by Selectman Stabile, and voted 4-0 to not recommend.

Article 50 – Parks and Grounds Appropriation Transfer – Selectman Stabile motioned to recommend approval of Article 50 – Parks and Grounds Appropriation Transfer in the amount of \$276,691. The motion was seconded by Chairman Major, and voted 2-2. The motion did not pass. Selectman Vispoli motioned to hold on Article 50 Parks and Grounds Appropriation Transfer. The motion was seconded by Selectman Stabile, and voted 4-0 to hold.

Article 51 – Storm Drainage Construction and Improvement – Selectman Lyman voted to recommend approval of Article 51 Storm Drainage Construction and Improvement in the amount of \$380,000. The motion was seconded by Selectman Stabile, and voted 4-0 to recommend approval.

Article 52 – Sewer Main Construction and Reconstruction – Selectman Vispoli motioned to recommend approval of Article 52 – Sewer Main Construction and Reconstruction in the amount of \$500,000. The motion was seconded by Selectman Stabile, and voted 4-0 to recommend approval.

Article 54 – Zoning Bylaw Amendment/Signs – No action taken – Article 54 will stay on hold.

Article 57 – Lease of Old Town Hall - Selectman Stabile motioned to recommend approval of Article 57 – Lease of Old Town Hall. The motion was seconded by Selectman Lyman, and voted 4-0 to recommend approval.

B. Board to sign Warrant for the 2008 Annual Town Meeting

Selectman Vispoli motioned to approve signing of the Warrant for the 2008 Annual Town Meeting. The motion was seconded by Selectman Lyman, voted 4-0 to approve.

C. Board to discuss Keno-to-Go

Selectman Lyman motioned to approve a request by the Town Manager to write a letter requesting an extension for action taken by the Board on Keno-to-Go. The motion was seconded by Selectman Vispoli, voted 4-0 and approved.

VI. Adjournment

Selectman Stabile motioned to adjourn the Board of Selectman's meeting of March 26, 2008. The motion was seconded by Selectman Vispoli, voted 4-0 and approved. The meeting adjourned at 8:49 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Dee DeLorenzo
Recording Secretary