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# TOWN OF WAYLAND

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## BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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DAVID V. WATKINS

## Meeting Minutes BOARD OF SELECTMEN

**Sunday, October 3, 2021**

**11:45 a.m.**

**Wayland High School Stadium  
264 Old Connecticut Path, Wayland, MA**

**Attendance:** Thomas J. Fay, Cherry C. Karlson, Adam G. Gutbezah, Carol B. Martin, David V. Watkins

**Absent:** None

**Also Present:** Town Administrator Louise Miller, Assistant Town Administrator John Bugbee

**A1. Call to Order by Chair, Review the Agenda for Public:** At 11:52 a.m., T. Fay called the meeting of the Board of Selectmen to order when a quorum was present. T. Fay announced that the meeting was in-person only and that members of the public were invited to attend and participate in-person. T. Fay reviewed the agenda for the public.

**A2. Announcements and Public Comment:** Bill Sterling, Morse Road, member of the Council on Aging (COA), thanked the Board for its sincere efforts to move the Council on Aging/Community Center project forward. He commended L. Miller for a fantastic job. However, he stated that the COA is clear that the need for a COA/CC building has reached a crisis level. There is a small window of time to complete work in order to bring a project to annual town meeting this spring. B. Sterling invited the Board to attend a COA brainstorming meeting on Wednesday at 1:30pm. B. Sterling was joined by COA members Frank Kennedy and Denise Yurkofsky.

T. Fay announced that a meeting would be held on Tuesday to facilitate the conversation between town and school staff on how to best provide facilities services. Attendees will include the Superintendent, school counsel, the Town Administrator, town counsel and the chairs and vice chairs of the School Committee and Board of Selectmen. D. Watkins stated that the Board had not ever discussed the topic, the Board should discuss this meeting first in open session. He wanted to be on record as opposing the meeting because these functions belong with staff not boards. C. Martin announced the Domestic Violence Vigil on Tuesday, October 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm and offered to attend to represent the Board. A. Gutbezah may also attend.

**A3. 2021 Special Town Meeting (STM) articles: 1) Discussion and possible vote, 2) Any other business related to STM** C. Martin updated the Board on questions raised at the League of Women Voters forum on September 30 and other questions that might be asked today at STM. Specifically, questions may be asked about how the fields fit into the capital plan, why funding was being split between the Town and revolving funds, why the Board is spearheading the field effort instead of the Recreation Commission, and who has jurisdiction over the use of land. The Board clarified responses if the questions are posed during the article discussions.

**A2. Announcements and Public Comment, continued:** D. Watkins returned to the topic of Tuesday's meeting with counsel and the School Committee chair/vice chair and stated he thought the meeting should be in public. He questioned whether the Town Administrator wanted to attend the meeting. T. Fay assured the Board that no policy decisions would be made. A. Gutbezah agreed that the meeting should be held, asked that the Board receive a detailed report, and that no decisions be made without the input of the entire Board. C. Martin concurred because the meeting had already been scheduled.

**A4. Topics Not Reasonably Anticipated by the Chair 48 Hours In Advance, If Any:** There were none.

**A5. Recess to STM: Adjourn:** At 12:14 p.m., the Board recessed to Special Town Meeting.

**Items included in the packet for the Board of Selectmen Meeting of October 3, 2021:** None