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Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes January 11, 2016

Attendance: Lea T. Anderson, Mary M. Antes, Cherry C. Karlson, Joseph F. Nolan

Also Present: Town Administrator Nan Balmer

A1. Call to Order by Chair Chair C. Karlson called the open meeting of the Board of Selectmen to order at 7:03 p.m. in the Selectmen's Meeting Room of the Wayland Town Building and noted the meeting will likely be broadcast and videotaped for later broadcast by WayCAM. M. Antes announced the 2016 Lunar New Year Celebration at the Wayland High School, January 30, presented by the Wayland Chinese-American Association and Arts Wayland. L. Anderson said there will be a breakfast meeting on January 21 for Selectmen representatives of member towns at the Minuteman Regional Vocational High School to provide guidance and information for the upcoming Special Town Meetings.

A2. Public Comment Cliff Lewis, 33 Claypit Hill Road, expressed concern that the article regarding OPEB being proposed for the Annual Town Meeting was more complicated than necessary, and suggested the Board consider a clearer proposal. David Bernstein, 25 Glezen Lane, reviewed the average times for article discussions at Annual Town Meeting, based on historic data. C. Karlson entered into the record for public comment the formal objection to the removal of civil service as presented by Jennifer Ordway, Union President for Wayland Police Officers Union. Linda Segal, 9 Aqueduct Road, objected to the use of the Middle School Auditorium for the February Special Town Meeting due to the discomfort of the seating.

A3. Attend Finance Committee's Special Town Meeting Warrant Article Hearing At 7:15 p.m., the Board joined the Finance Committee's Special Town Meeting Warrant Article hearing, and reconvened for its regular meeting again at 8:06 p.m.

A6. Discuss Massachusetts Gas Leaks Legislation with Paul Dale, Sierra Club, and Vote to Adopt Resolution Paul Dale, 18 Parkland Drive and member of the Sierra Club, appeared before the Board to discuss the environmental impact of natural gas leakage. He said there is no economic incentive for the gas companies to address the problems because gas utilities recover the cost of lost gas through charges to their customers. He asked the Board to sign a resolution in support of Massachusetts House Bills H2870 and H2871, requiring gas leaks to be repaired when a road is open for construction, and to protect utility customers from paying for lost gas. J. Nolan suggested that he solicit the support of the 495 Partnership, and M. Antes asked him to contact the MetroWest Collaborative. It was the sense of the Board to support the House Bills and prepare a resolution for the next meeting.

L. Anderson left the meeting at 8:16 p.m. to return to the Finance Committee Special Town Meeting Warrant Article Hearing.

A4. Potential Vote to Amend the Location of the February 11, 2016, Special Town Meeting The Board was joined by Assistant Town Administrator/Human Resources Director John Senchyshyn to discuss the venue of the Special Town Meeting. He said he has learned that parking at the High School on February 11 would be difficult due to a concert, and the best alternative is the Middle School Auditorium. M. Antes moved, seconded by J. Nolan, to amend the January 4, 2016 vote establishing the February 11, 2016 Special Town Meeting by changing the location from the Wayland High School Auditorium to the Wayland Middle

School Auditorium. YEA: M. Antes, C. Karlson, J. Nolan. NAY: none. ABSENT: L. Anderson.
ABSTAIN: none. Adopted 3-0.

A5. Special Town Meeting The Chair opened the Petitioners' Workshop for the Special Town Meeting at 8:24 p.m. There were no petitioners present. The workshop was closed at 8:25 p.m. The Board reviewed the budget for the Special Town Meeting. J. Senchyshyn said the projected estimated cost for Special Town Meeting is \$11,800, and assuming there is a five-night Annual Town Meeting, the town meeting budget will overrun the FY16 budget by approximately \$40,000. He requested increasing the budget for FY17 by \$10,000. C. Karlson said the Board will review the budget at the next meeting. In regard to logistics, J. Senchyshyn said the Town Moderator will review the Middle School venue for setup, and WayCAM will do either a live broadcast or a tape delay. He said there are no provisions for audiovisual equipment budgeted for the meeting. The Board asked N. Balmer to pursue the option of an earlier start time. D. Bernstein asked if electronic voting will be used at the Special Town Meeting; C. Karlson said yes.

The Board considered its positions on the Special Town Meeting articles. J. Nolan moved, seconded by M. Antes, to support the article, "Amendments to the Regional School District Agreement of the Minuteman Regional Vocational School District." YEA: M. Antes, C. Karlson, J. Nolan. NAY: none. ABSENT: L. Anderson. ABSTAIN: none. Adopted 3-0. J. Nolan moved, seconded by M. Antes, to support the article, "Withdrawal of the Town of Wayland from the Minuteman Regional Vocational School District." YEA: M. Antes, C. Karlson, J. Nolan. NAY: none. ABSENT: L. Anderson. ABSTAIN: none. Adopted 3-0. The Board postponed its vote on the petitioners' article, "Facilitate Improving Safety of Town Roads." It was the sense of the Board to allow the Chair to work with the Town Administrator to order the articles. The Board discussed the preparation of a press release to promote attendance at the Special Town Meeting.

A7. Annual Town Meeting 2016: Discussion and Review List of Potential Articles and Vote to Submit Articles The Board reviewed a list of potential articles for Annual Town Meeting. C. Karlson noted the addition of the article, "Confirmatory Taking of Newbury Conservation Land." The Board was joined by Bill Sterling, Council on Aging/Community Center Advisory Committee, to review the article regarding the project. Members discussed the cost estimates and the timeline for the upcoming stages of the project, including the programming study and the environmental assessment/site engineering. J. Nolan asked if the article will be co-sponsored by the Recreation Commission; B. Sterling said yes. N. Balmer reviewed the OPEB article. Marianne Peabody, Personnel Board, spoke in favor of the article. The Board discussed the civil service issue; N. Balmer noted the current staff would retain their civil service rights. N. Balmer said the article, "Amend Private Fire Hydrant Bylaw," was to make corrections to the current bylaw. The Board reviewed the article regarding Glezen Lane construction, and discussed the cost and the legal judgment requiring that the mitigation be funded. N. Balmer said the town must authorize the 53 E ½ revolving fund accounts, so the town and school accounts have been combined into one article. C. Karlson said the article regarding Minuteman borrowing is a placeholder which may be withdrawn. N. Balmer advised the Board that the Library may be looking for an alternative site for a potential new library.

J. Nolan moved, seconded by M. Antes, to accept for inclusion in the 2016 Annual Town Meeting the articles, "Petition Legislature for New Special Legislation for OPEB and Rescind OPEB Special Act," "Petition Legislature regarding Police Civil Service," "Amend Private Fire Hydrant Bylaw," "Fund Next Step in Council on Aging/Community Center Project," "Fund Glezen Lane Construction of Permanent Turn Restrictions on Glezen Lane," "Authorize 53 E ½ Accounts," "Allow Town Counsel to Speak at Meeting Without Meeting Vote," "Minuteman Borrowing for New School," "Authorize Confirmatory Taking of

Newbury Conservation Land,” and “Fund Next Step in Council on Aging/Community Center Project.”
YEA: M. Antes, C. Karlson, J. Nolan. NAY: none. ABSENT: L. Anderson. ABSTAIN: none.
Adopted 3-0.

A8. Review and Approve Consent Calendar (See Separate Sheet) The Board reviewed the account detail of the appropriation from Annual Town Meeting 2015 for the Council on Aging/Community Center project. J. Nolan requested that the applicant for the WayCAM Board of Directors, Jonathan Ward, be invited before the Board for an interview before being appointed. M. Antes moved, seconded by J. Nolan, to approve the consent calendar with the exception of item 6, the appointment of Jonathan Ward to the WayCAM Board of Directors, with the intent to invite him before the Board at a future meeting to discuss the WayCAM finances and J. Ward’s representation of the Board of Selectmen on the WayCAM Board. YEA: M. Antes, C. Karlson, J. Nolan. NAY: none. ABSENT: L. Anderson. ABSTAIN: none. Adopted 3-0.

A10. Report of the Town Administrator N. Balmer reported on the River’s Edge Advisory Committee forum on January 7. She said suggested revisions to the RFP include changing the age-restricted housing requirement, and structuring the RFP to share the risk of unknowns with the contractor, such as water, wastewater, demolition, soil removal and remediation. She said she expected a new RFP to be issued in six to eight weeks. She reported on a meeting with the Recreation Commission regarding the creation of a revolving fund and a special purpose recreation stabilization fund. The Board encouraged the Recreation Commission to have any necessary articles fully prepared for Annual Town Meeting.

L. Anderson re-joined the meeting at 9:25 p.m.

N. Balmer proved an update on the status of the IT initiatives. She reviewed the issue of snow plowing and road maintenance on private ways, and noted that a confirmatory action may be necessary at some point. She said the Planning Board withdrew three articles from the Annual Town Meeting, including the Sales of Used Autos-Accessory Use to Service Station, which is currently being addressed on an individual basis by the Building Commissioner.

A9. Review Correspondence (See Separate Index Sheet) The Board reviewed the week’s correspondence. J. Nolan noted the town’s continued efforts to enforce the safe operation of traffic on Stonebridge Road, and the strong position taken by the Department of Revenue in regard to appropriations from a revolving fund..

A11. Selectmen’s Reports and Concerns L. Anderson reported on the remaining issues discussed at the Finance Committee hearing. She said the Finance Committee requested that Town Counsel review the Minuteman agreement one last time, but noted that the town had no ability to make any changes. J. Nolan reported on a discussion with Duane Galbi, and asked if the Board was willing to meet with him again to discuss his article for Special Town Meeting. Board members suggested compiling a sequence of events that have been taken to date, and encouraging D. Galbi to continue through the traffic calming process with the Board of Public Works. L. Anderson said she attended the presentation by Police Chief Robert Irving at the Wayland Library on the changes in policing over the last 100 years. C. Karlson reported on the Wayland Real Asset Planning (WRAP) Committee meeting on January 6; she said they are aware of the time constraints in trying to answer the concerns of the Council on Aging, Recreation Commission and the Council on Aging/Community Center Advisory Committee before the Annual Town Meeting. J. Nolan noted he is no longer the Co-Chair of the 495 Partnership. The Board reviewed the upcoming meeting schedule.

A12. Topics Not Reasonably Anticipated by the Chair 48 Hours in Advance of the Meeting, If Any

The Chair said, "I know of none."

A13. Adjourn There being no further business before the Board, M. Antes moved, seconded by L. Anderson, to adjourn the meeting of the Board of Selectmen at 9:51 p.m. YEA: L. Anderson, M. Antes, C. Karlson, J. Nolan. NAY: none. ABSENT: none. ABSTAIN: none. Adopted 4-0.

Items Distributed for Information and Use by the Board of Selectmen at the Meetings of January 11, 2016

1. Handout, Draft Resolution Concerning Lost and Unaccounted For Gas
2. Account Detail of Appropriation at Annual Town Meeting 2015, Council on Aging/Community Center Advisory Committee, January 11, 2016
3. Annual Town Meeting 2016 Article, Confirmatory Taking of Newbury Conservation Land, submitted by Conservation Commission
4. Memorandum of 1/11/16 from Board of Selectmen re: Change of Venue, Special Town Meeting, February 11, 2016
5. Minuteman Vocational Regional FAQ, Published Originally by the Sudbury Board of Selectmen and Edited with Permission by Lea Anderson
6. Minuteman New Agreement Cost Comparison, Draft, January 7, 2016
7. Draft Articles for the February 2016 Special Town Meeting

Items Included as Part of Agenda Packet for Discussion During the January 11, 2016, Board of Selectmen's Meeting

1. Memorandum of 1/11/16 from John Senchyshyn, Assistant Town Administrator/Human Resources Director, to Board of Selectmen, re: Amend February 11, 2016, Special Town Meeting Location
2. Board of Selectmen Policy, Petitioners' Access to Town Counsel
3. Articles Submitted for February 11, 2016, Special Town Meeting, Minuteman High School FAQ, and New Agreement Cost Comparison
4. Powerpoint Presentation, 12/18/15, from David Zeek, Sierra Club, re: Massachusetts Gas Leaks Legislation, The View from Wayland
5. Memorandum of 1/11/16 from Nan Balmer, Town Administrator, to Board of Selectmen, re: Annual Town Meeting Articles
6. Town Administrator's Report for the Week Ending January 8, 2016