BOARD OF SELECTMEN
REGULAR SESSION MEETING MINUTES
Monday, July 22, 2019, 6:00 P.M.
Webster Town Hall, Board of Selectmen’s Meeting Room, 2nd Floor
350 Main Street, Webster, MA 01570

MEETING OPENING: At 6:00 p.m., Chairman Becker called the meeting to order. The following individuals were present: Chairman Randall Becker, Selectman Andrew Jolda, Selectman Earl Gabor, Selectman Lisa Kontoes, Town Administrator Doug Willardson, and Executive Secretary Courtney Friedland. Donald Bourque was absent. The Board stood and took the Pledge of Allegiance.

Meeting Minutes:

Motion by Selectman Gabor, seconded by Selectman Jolda, to approve the meeting minutes of July 15, 2019. The motion passed unanimously.

VACATE FINAL JUDGMENT – 39 TOWER STREET: Mr. Willardson stated the Town took ownership of 39 Tower Street through tax title. The Stephen V. Angelo estate paid the outstanding $43,063.59 in taxes and fees owed to regain ownership of the property. The Board needs to vote to vacate the final judgment entered.

Motion by Selectman Jolda, seconded by Selectman Gabor to as provided under MGL Chapter 60, Section 69, I, Andrew Jolda, hereby move to vacate the final judgment entered on June 28, 2019 in tax lien foreclosure case no. 18 TL 000804, Town of Webster v. Stephen R. Angelo covering the property located at 39 Tower Street (Assessors’ Parcel 28-D-29-0) upon payment by Stephen R. Angelo on or before July 23, 2019 of all amounts due to redeem the tax taking covering the property, which include, but are not limited to, taxes and interest to the date of payment, all charges and fees associated with the foreclosure case and any costs incurred by the Town in the care, custody and control of the property after the entry of the judgment. Upon payment to the Town of the full redemption amount, the Town will take the necessary action to vacate the foreclosure judgment and withdraw the foreclosure case in the Massachusetts Land Court. The motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING – PAVING OF LOVELAND ROAD:

Motion made by Selectman Gabor, seconded by Selectman Kontoes to open the Public Hearing regarding the paving of Loveland Road. The motion passed unanimously. Selectman Jolda recused himself from the discussion.
Chairman Becker invited Robert Kirsch to come forward. Mr. Kirsch stated he lives at 39 Loveland Road. He said his house is at the end of Loveland Road and is already paved. He stated Police, Fire, and Ambulance would have a hard time coming down the road because of the condition it is in. He stated most of the neighbors have agreed to pave the road except for 33 Loveland Road. He stated they have been uncooperative and neighbors have even offered to pay for the paving in front of their property. Chairman Becker explained that there are two ways of going about having a private road paved. He said the neighbors can agree and have it privately paved or they can get 2/3 of the residents who live on the street to petition for a Special Town Meeting. Mr. Kirsch stated the cost of the paving would be significantly higher if the Town paved it due to the prevailing wage law. Dr. Cathleen Godzik and Gail Arsenault came forward. Dr. Godzik stated 33 Loveland is her private property and should be preserved in its natural state. She stated she was looking to protect the natural habitat in that area. Ms. Arsenault stated she would also like to keep the natural habitat and preserve the property as it has been for sixty years. Ms. Arsenault stated she is aware that the condition of the road is poor in front of their house and they are addressing the issues. Mr. Kirsch stated he has a quote from Superior Paving and they are scheduled to start next week. Selectman Kontoes asked at what point the Conservation Commission needed to get involved. Mr. Willardson stated the Conservation Commission is aware of the situation and will discuss with the Commission’s Agent. Town Clerk Robert Craver stated that the December 2018 Town Meeting article has not been approved. He stated if this is based on Article 12, then it shouldn’t move forward. Mr. Willardson stated he does have a legal opinion from Town Counsel stating they can move forward but will re-confirm with K&P.

Motion made by Selectman Gabor, seconded by Selectman Kontoes to close the Public Hearing regarding the paving of Loveland Road. The motion passed unanimously, 3-0, noted that Selectman Jolda previously recused.

ADJOURN: At 6:46 p.m.:

**Motion by Selectman Gabor, seconded by Selectman Jolda, to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Courtney M. Friedland, Executive Secretary to the Board of Selectmen