

**TOWN OF WEBSTER  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
DON BOURQUE, CHAIRMAN  
DEBORAH KEEFE, VICE CHAIRMAN  
JEFFREY DUGGAN  
MARK DOWGIEWICZ  
ROBERT MILLER**

A Board of Selectmen's Meeting was held in the Selectmen's Meeting Room at the Town Hall on Monday, December 3, 2012; Chairman Bourque called the meeting to order at 7:12 p.m.

**Attendance:** Robert Miller, Jeffrey Duggan, Deborah Keefe, Don Bourque

**Absent:** Mark Dowgiewicz

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Chairman Bourque led the Selectmen in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **Suzette Raun – Indian Ranch 2012 Season Update**

Suzette Raun came forward. She stated the attendance for the 2012 season had gone up. She stated they had a great line-up of artists. She stated they did have one night show. She stated she was unaware of any complaints. Selectmen Keefe stated the Board received an incident report for the past year and there were three noise complaints. She stated that it looked as though the noise complaints were from the campground doing karaoke. Selectmen Duggan stated that with only three noise complaints this year Indian Ranch did an outstanding job. Chairman Bourque stated Indian Ranch had great artists this year and there is never a bad seat. Overall the Board was pleased with the decrease in noise complaints.

### **Jillian Peter – Safety Concerns – Lake Parkway**

Jillian Peter came forward. She stated she lived on Klebart Avenue for twelve (12) years. She stated she had gone to the Police Chief, Town Administrator and Safety Committee regarding the safety of pedestrians on Lake Parkway and Klebart Avenue. She stated children are walking to school on this road everyday. She stated people are getting off the highway and are speeding down the road. She stated there are no crosswalks for the children to cross. She stated sidewalks are needed for the children. She stated the road also needs street lights on Klebart to Lake Parkway because it is hard to see people walking. She stated an innocent woman with three kids had to die because these issues have not been addressed. She stated the area is not posted as a school zone. She stated she would like to see blinking lights during school hours. Mr. McAuliffe stated he has met with Ms. Peter and the woman's death was a tragic accident. He stated the woman was walking in the middle of the road on a dark and rainy night when she was hit. He stated they are looking into what can be done but it takes time and money to get these projects completed. Selectmen Miller stated the state is very slow. He stated it going to take time. Selectmen Keefe stated she lived in the area and it is very dark at night. She asked J.T. if he could look into getting additional lighting around the school area. Ms. Peter stated she is meeting with the School Committee later in the week to address her concerns. Mr. Pizzetti stated the Safety Committee did address this but will re-address at their next meeting. Chairman Bourque thanked Ms. Peter for her concerns and assured her that they would be working on finding a solution to this issue.

### **Town Administrator's Report**

Mr. McAuliffe stated they held a Financial Team Meeting. He stated the meeting focused on getting the tax rate set. He stated the tax rate should be approved very soon. He stated this will be the forth years that the tax bills have been on time.

He stated they held a Collective bargaining meeting. He stated there could be a resolution to the contract soon.

He stated he attended the Board of Health Meeting. He stated they did an overview on emergency preparedness. He stated the meeting was very productive.

He stated he was pleased to briefly attend the "Enough Abuse" Campaign Committee Meeting. He stated Selectmen Keefe along with Cathleen Liberty and Leslie Baker are participating in this to bring awareness to sexual abuse. Selectmen Keefe stated sexual abuse is an issue in this town and she would like to bring awareness to the effects and prevention. She stated if anyone was interested in volunteering to contact either herself or Cathleen Liberty.

Mr. McAuliffe stated that 41 Tower Street is officially on the tax role. He stated he is working with Ted Teteault to group some of the smaller surplus properties together in a lump sum bid.

He stated the AIDS Memorial Quilt is currently on display in the Town Hall Auditorium until Friday, December 7, 2012. He stated the event will also feature the Bartlett High School art Show.

He stated he would like to remind everyone that the Webster Dudley Business Alliance will hold the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Tree Lighting on December 6, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. he stated hot chocolate, pop corn will be served in the Town Hall Auditorium following the lighting. He stated there will also be arts and crafts.

He stated the Town will hold Winter Wonderland on December 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

He stated he did not have a need for Executive Session.

**Motion:** made by Selectmen Miller, seconded by Selectmen Keefe to accept the Town Administrator's Report.

**Vote: Mr. Miller – yes, Mr. Duggan – yes, Ms. Keefe – yes, Chairman Bourque – yes.**

## **Old Business**

Selectmen Keefe stated she asked to have the Town Administrator's Goals on the agenda. She stated she would like to see the Town Administrator's goals that he has made for himself. She asked to have this on the next agenda.

## **New Business**

Chairman Bourque stated they received a proposed redraft for S2307 for Eastern Pearl's Liquor License Request.

**Motion:** made by Selectmen Miller, seconded by Selectmen Keefe to approve the amended petition for Eastern Pearl.

**Vote: Mr. Miller – yes, Mr. Duggan – yes, Ms. Keefe – yes, Chairman Bourque – yes.**

Selectmen Keefe stated she had requested that the Meals Tax Collected be put on the agenda because local restaurant owners have been asking how much had been collected and where the money was being spent. Mr. McAuliffe stated they have put the money aside to fund a part-time planning position.

Selectmen Miller stated the Town of Oxford is sending a letter to the Senator regarding reduced collage tuition for illegal immigrants. He stated he would get copies for the Board to review so that they can discuss this on the next agenda.

Selectmen Keefe stated the Cash Mob have created a Food Drive Mob. She stated people can drop off food or money at different locations for the local food bank. She stated the Town Hall will house a box for drop offs. She stated the food bank at this time of year gets depleted.

## **Informational Mail**

Selectmen Keefe stated the Board received a request from the Finance Committee regarding NOAH. Selectmen Keefe stated the Board of Selectmen just voted a six month extension to NOAH.

**Motion:** made by Selectmen Keefe, seconded by Selectmen Bourque to take no action on the Finance Committee request.

**Vote: Mr. Miller – yes, Mr. Duggan – yes, Ms. Keefe – yes, Chairman Bourque – yes.**

## **Adjournment**

**Motion:** made by Selectman Keefe, seconded by Selectman Miller to adjourn the Meeting at 8:54 p.m.

**Vote: Mr. Miller – yes, Mr. Duggan – yes, Ms. Keefe – yes, Chairman Bourque – yes.**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Courtney Friedland