

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

A Board of Selectmen's Meeting was held in the Selectmen's Meeting Room at the Town Hall on Monday, December 16, 2013. Chairman Keefe called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Attendance: Jeffrey Duggan, Mark Dowgiewicz, William Starzec, Robert Miller, Deborah Keefe

Pledge of Allegiance: Selectman Keefe led the Selectmen in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Selectman Miller stated he would like to hold a moment of silence to recognize the passing of Thomas Gorski Sr.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion: made by Selectman Miller, seconded by Selectman Duggan to approve the meeting minutes of November 18, 2013.

Vote: Mr. Duggan - yes, Mr. Dowgiewicz – yes, Mr. Starzec – yes, Mr. Miller – yes, Chairman Keefe – yes.

Motion: made by Selectman Miller, seconded by Selectman Starzec to approve the meeting minutes of November 20, 2013.

Vote: Mr. Duggan - abstain, Mr. Dowgiewicz – yes, Mr. Starzec – yes, Mr. Miller – yes, Chairman Keefe – yes

Safety Committee Recommendations

Chief Bent came forward. He stated that the Safety Committee met on December 2, 2013 and would like to Board to approve their recommendations. He stated the Safety Committee is requesting permission to post two signs on Nelson Street from house #40 down to the corner of Park Avenue stating "NO PARKING ON THIS SIDE OF ROADWAY." He stated this would be temporary signage until the school project is complete. He stated the Safety Committee is also requesting to place a "SLOW CHILDREN" sign on the corner of Robinson Street and Pepka Drive.

Motion: made by Selectman Keefe, seconded by Selectman Miller to approve the Safety Committee's recommendations to post two signs on Nelson Street from house #40 down to the corner of Park Avenue stating "NO PARKING ON THIS SIDE OF ROADWAY" and to place a "SLOW CHILDREN" sign on the corner of Robinson Street and Pepka Drive.

Vote: Mr. Duggan - yes, Mr. Dowgiewicz – yes, Mr. Starzec – yes, Mr. Miller – yes, Chairman Keefe – yes.

Cellar Z Pub – Liquor License Violation

Chairman Keefe stated the Board of Selectmen received information regarding four liquor license violation that occurred November 27, 2013. Detective Hoover came forward. He stated on November 27, 2013 the Webster Police Department conducted underage alcohol compliance checks at the local establishments. He stated they were able to conduct twelve checks that night, with four of those establishments failing. He stated Cellar Z was very busy that night. He stated the two underage gentleman entered the Cellars Pub and were served at the bar. Robert Zalewski stated it was very busy that night. He stated the bartender swears she ID the two gentleman. He stated he had two bartenders on and that this must have just slipped through the cracks. Selectman Dowgiewicz asked what Mr. Zalewski has done to prevent this from happening again. Mr. Zalewski stated he has met with all his staff and that the bartender was suspended for two weeks. Selectman Miller stated it was his opinion that the two underage gentleman looked older than twenty one. He stated they aren't trying to hurt the local business owner by imposing a long suspension. He stated these businesses pay taxes. Chairman Keefe stated she worked at a liquor store when she was younger and she always verified everyone's ID. She stated that Mr. Zalewski was before the Board less than six months ago for a liquor license violation. She stated the Board was very lenient and issued a warning last time. She stated the Board needs to take action to show that this will not be tolerated in this Town. Mr. Zalewski stated he had not had

any complaints in the last year. He stated the kids looked order than twenty one. Selectman Duggan stated he agreed with the Chairman and that this incident had to do with minors. He suggested that Mr. Zalewski look into stamps or wrist band right when you enter the establishment. He stated these establishments should be held accountable. Selectman Dowgiewicz stated he doesn't want to hurt the businesses and recommended a three day suspension.

Motion: made by Selectman Dowgiewicz, seconded by Selectman Miller to suspend The Cellar Pub for three days, starting on a Thursday, with dates to be worked out with the Town Administrator.

Vote: Mr. Duggan - no, Mr. Dowgiewicz – yes, Mr. Starzec – no, Mr. Miller – yes, Chairman Keefe – no.

Motion: made by Selectman Duggan, seconded by Selectman Starzec to suspend The Cellar Pub for seven days, starting on a Thursday, with dates to be worked out with the Town Administrator.

Vote: Mr. Duggan - yes, Mr. Dowgiewicz – no, Mr. Starzec – yes, Mr. Miller – no, Chairman Keefe – yes.

Gulf Station – Liquor License Violation

Detective Hoover stated one of the underage gentleman went into Gulf Station and purchased a six pack of beer. He stated the girl working the counter did not ask for an ID. Mary Fura came forward. She stated this is not the type of business she runs. She stated her staff is properly trained. She stated the cashier just did not ID that person. She stated she needed to trust her staff because she can't be there every minute. She stated the cashier has not worked since the incident. She stated he has been in business for over twenty five years and does not take this as a joke. Selectman Duggan stated another establishment had put in equipment that required a cashier to put in a person's age to make the sale. Ms. Fura stated Gulf is a franchise and that she had to use all of their equipment.

Motion: made by Selectman Dowgiewicz, seconded Selectman Miller to suspend The Gulf Station for three days, starting on a Thursday, with dates to be worked out with the Town Administrator.

Vote: Mr. Duggan - no, Mr. Dowgiewicz – yes, Mr. Starzec – no, Mr. Miller – yes, Chairman Keefe – no.

Motion: made by Selectman Duggan, seconded by Selectman Starzec to suspend The Gulf Station for seven days, starting on a Thursday, with dates to be worked out with the Town Administrator.

Vote: Mr. Duggan - yes, Mr. Dowgiewicz – no, Mr. Starzec – yes, Mr. Miller – no, Chairman Keefe – yes.

Tal's Place – Liquor License Violation

Sergio Manzi came forward. Detective Hoover stated both underage gentleman entered the establishment and walked up to the bar and ordered beer without being carded. Mr. Manzi stated the bouncer at the door dropped the ball. He stated the bouncer is supposed to check everyone's ID.

Motion: made by Selectman Dowgiewicz, seconded Selectman Miller to suspend Tal's Place for three days, starting on a Thursday, with dates to be worked out with the Town Administrator.

Vote: Mr. Duggan - no, Mr. Dowgiewicz – yes, Mr. Starzec – no, Mr. Miller – yes, Chairman Keefe – no.

Motion: made by Selectman Duggan, seconded by Selectman Starzec to suspend Tal's Place for seven days, starting on a Thursday, with dates to be worked out with the Town Administrator.

Vote: Mr. Duggan - yes, Mr. Dowgiewicz – no, Mr. Starzec – yes, Mr. Miller – no, Chairman Keefe – yes.

Mac's Auto Repair and Convenience Store – Liquor License Violation

Francis Iwanski came forward. Mr. Iwanski stated he tells his staff to card everyone. He stated the cashier was suspended for a week. He stated he is having all of his employees retrained.

Motion: made by Selectman Dowgiewicz, seconded Selectman Miller to suspend Mac's Auto Repair and Convenience Store for three days, starting on a Thursday, with dates to be worked out with the Town Administrator.

Vote: Mr. Duggan - no, Mr. Dowgiewicz – yes, Mr. Starzec – no, Mr. Miller – yes, Chairman Keefe – no.

Motion: made by Selectman Starzec, seconded by Selectman Duggan to suspend Mac's Auto Repair and Convenience Store for seven days, starting on a Thursday, with dates to be worked out with the Town Administrator.

Vote: Mr. Duggan - yes, Mr. Dowgiewicz – no, Mr. Starzec – yes, Mr. Miller – no, Chairman Keefe – yes.

Selectman Duggan stated that the Board of Selectman should look at the Liquor License Violation Policy. He stated the policy is over nine years old. He stated it should be cleaned up so that every decision is uniform. He stated the policy needs to be fair to everyone. He stated the language is very vague. Chairman Keefe asked to have this on the January 6th agenda.

Chairman Keefe asked to table Wesley Mroczka until December 30, 2013.

Purple Heart Community

Chairman Keefe asked to take "Designation for the Purple Heart Community" out of order. Peter Jankowski came forward. Chairman Keefe stated the Board received information on October 23, 2013 regarding Webster being designated a Purple Heart Community. Mr. Jankowski stated the Veteran's Council supported this designation.

Motion: made by Selectman Miller, seconded by Selectman Dowgiewicz to recognize August 7, 2014 as Purple Heart Day and make the Town of Webster a Purple Heart Community.

Vote: Mr. Duggan - yes, Mr. Dowgiewicz – yes, Mr. Starzec – yes, Mr. Miller – yes, Chairman Keefe – yes.

Town Administrator's Report

Mr. McAuliffe stated he attended the Regional Dispatch Center Strategy Meeting. He stated the next meeting will be tomorrow night in Dudley.

He stated he held a Financial Team Meeting.

He stated he held a DPW Team Meeting.

He stated he held a Code Enforcement Team Meeting.

He stated he attended a Police/Fire Building Committee Meeting.

He stated he attended the Finance Committee Meeting.

He stated he they had a great turn out for the Master Plan Breakfast Meeting. He stated they got some solid ideas.

He stated he attended the Elementary School Building Committee Meeting.

He stated he attended the Cable Advisory Committee Meeting. He stated they are going to tour a couple different towns to get an ideas about what fiber optics the Town will use.

He stated he attended the Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony. He stated he would like to thank the Webster-Dudley Business Alliance for all of their hard work. He stated over three hundred (300) people attended the tree lighting.

He stated he attended Winter Wonderland at Memorial Beach. He stated it was a great event. He stated they had a huge bonfire.

He passed out copies of the draft Financial Policies. He stated he would like the Board to review the draft policies.

He stated he would like to remind everyone that the Town Hall is be hosting a Holiday Movie Night. He stated The Santa Clause and Frosty's Winter Wonderland will be the featured films.

He stated he would also like to remind everyone about the Webster Police Department Toy Drive and Coat Drive.

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

Motion: made by Selectman Miller, seconded by Selectman Dowgiewicz to approve the Town Administrator's Report.

Vote: Mr. Duggan - yes, Mr. Dowgiewicz – yes, Mr. Starzec – yes, Mr. Miller – yes, Chairman Keefe – yes.

Old Business

Chairman Keefe stated the Board received the final versions of the closing documents for the A.J. Sitkowski School. She stated all the changes have been redlined. She stated the Board might want to hold another meeting to review these final documents before signing. The Board of Selectmen agreed to hold another meeting on December 23, 2013 at 5:30 p.m. to sign the closing documents with NOAH. Selectman Dowgiewicz stated he had some questions regarding the age requirements. He stated he was under the impression that the building would be all fifty five (55) years of age and older. He stated the documents states only one person needs to be fifty five (55) to live in the building. Selectman Duggan stated he was under the same impression. Mr. McAuliffe stated all people need to be fifty five (55) or older. Chairman Keefe stated the Board needs to come up with a name for the new Senior Center that will be located in the A.J. Sitkowski building. Selectman Miller stated there has been numerous individuals that have contributed in Webster and wouldn't want single just one person out by naming the new Senior Center after them. Chairman Keefe stated she agreed and would suggest keeping the name Webster Senior Center.

Motion: made by Selectman Duggan, seconded by Selectman Miller to name the new senior center at the A.J. Sitkowski building the Webster Senior Center.

Vote: Mr. Duggan - yes, Mr. Dowgiewicz – yes, Mr. Starzec – yes, Mr. Miller – yes, Chairman Keefe – yes.

Mr. McAuliffe stated he was asked to give an update on North Village progress with improvements. He stated Winn Residential is putting over five million dollars (\$5,000,000) into the property. He stated the security has been expended. He stated additional security cameras will be installed in the spring. He stated they have hired additional police details during the weekends. He stated they are planning to advance their private security and they are starting more social services outreach programs for their tenants.

Mr. McAuliffe stated he did not have an update from Bluewave on the Solar Farm Agreement and would like to table this until the December 30th meeting.

New Business

Chairman Keefe stated the Board received documentation on the Dock/Lake Policy Committee. She asked if this had been reviewed by Town Counsel. Mr. McAuliffe stated this has not been reviewed by Town Counsel and suggested tabling this until the next meeting for further research.

Chairman Keefe stated the Board received a letter from Paul Brodeaur resigning from the Conservation Commission.

Motion: made by Selectman Miller, seconded by Selectman Dowgiewicz to accept the resignation of Paul Brodeaur with regret.

Vote: Mr. Duggan - yes, Mr. Dowgiewicz – yes, Mr. Starzec – yes, Mr. Miller – yes, Chairman Keefe – yes.

Chairman Keefe stated Mr. Brodeaur's resignation left an opening on the Conservation Commission. She asked that the Board's secretary get in touch with the four remaining applicants that applied in May to see if they were still interest in the position. She asked to have this on the next agenda for an update.

She stated the Board received a letter from Mrs. Borrow's requesting to be put on the ADA Committee. She asked the Town Administrator to get some more information on the Committee for the next meeting.

Selectman Miller stated the Board received a letter from Charlotte "Ginger" Costen seeking re-appointment to the Trustee of Soldiers Monuments.

Motion: made by Selectman Miller, seconded by Selectman Duggan to appoint Charlotte "Ginger" Costen to the Trsutees of Soldiers Monuments for a term to expire June 30, 2016.

Vote: Mr. Duggan - yes, Mr. Dowgiewicz – yes, Mr. Starzec – yes, Mr. Miller – yes, Chairman Keefe – yes.

Unknown at Time of Posting

Selectman Miller stated he would like to give everyone an update on the Conservation Commission Meeting. He stated the meeting has been postponed.

Selectman Miller stated he would like to thank the Webster-Dudley Boys and Girls Club for the wonderful Christmas card.

Chairman Keefe wished everyone a wonderful Christmas.

Adjournment

Motion: made by Selectman Miller, seconded by Selectman Dowgiewicz to adjourn the regular session meeting at 9:23 p.m.

Vote: Mr. Duggan - yes, Mr. Dowgiewicz – yes, Mr. Starzec – yes, Mr. Miller – yes, Chairman Keefe – yes.

Respectfully Submitted,
Courtney Friedland