

**TOWN OF WEBSTER
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
ROBERT MILLER, CHAIRMAN
DONALD BOURQUE, VICE CHAIRMAN
ANDREW JOLDA
MARK DOWGIEWICZ
WILLIAM STARZEC**

A Board of Selectmen's Meeting was held in the Selectmen's Meeting Room at the Town Hall on Monday, October 27, 2014. Chairman Miller called the meeting to order at 7:38 p.m.

Attendance: William Stazrec, Mark Dowgiewicz, Andrew Jolda, Don Bourque and Robert Miller

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

Chairman Miller apologized to everyone for starting the Board of Selectmen's Meeting late. He stated they were holding a Public Hearing regarding the proposed Correction Center in the auditorium.

National Grid Pole Hearing – Church Street

Chairman Miller stated the Board received a petition from National Grid to install a new Duct.

Motion: made by Selectman Dowgiewicz, seconded by Selectman Starzec to install beginning at a point approximately 20' feet West of the centerline of the intersection of Main Street and Church Street and continuing approximately 200 feet in a South direction. National Grid to install new Ducts P. 2 Main St to MH 10 Main St and from MH 8 Main St down Church St (including HDHH 1) to allow removal of OH wires on Church St.

Vote: Mr. Starzec – yes, Mr. Dowgiewicz – yes, Mr. Jolda – yes, Mr. Bourque – yes, Chairman Miller – yes.

Carol Cyr – Release of Lien for Housing Rehab Loan Payoff Contracts for FY14 Admin Stuff Contract for Riverwalk/Parking Lot Project Easement for Church Street Underground Utility Work

Carol Cyr came forward. She stated she had a couple of things the Board needed to sign and vote on. She stated the Board needed to vote to release the lien for the Housing Rehab Project.

Motion: made by Selectman Starzec, seconded by Selectman Dowgiewicz to release the lien for the Housing Rehab Project.

Vote: Mr. Starzec – yes, Mr. Dowgiewicz – yes, Mr. Jolda – yes, Mr. Bourque – yes, Chairman Miller – yes.

Safety Committee – Recommendations

Kenny Pizzetti came forward. He stated the Safety Committee met on October 8, 2014 and had some recommendations. He stated they are requesting permission to remove one "No Parking" sign located in front of 94 Lakeside Avenue. Selectman Starzec asked why they are recommending the removal of this sign. Mr. Pizzetti stated the sign was put there many years ago when parking had been an issue. He stated the owners would like the sign removed because they would like to utilize that parking spot for company. He stated there is no longer a problem with parking. He stated the Committee is also requesting permission to place one new signage pole heading east on Union Point Road reading "Residential Area/Slow Children". He stated they are requesting permission to place one "Slow Blind Person" sign around the area of 34 Granite Street. He said they are requesting permission to place 1 or 2 new signage poles heading east on Third Street reading "School Zone Ahead/Slow Children"

Motion: made by Selectman Starzec, seconded by Selectman Bourque to approve the Safety Committee's recommendations are presented.

Vote: Mr. Starzec – yes, Mr. Dowgiewicz – yes, Mr. Jolda – yes, Mr. Bourque – yes, Chairman Miller – yes.

Selectman Starzec asked if the Safety Committee could look into the turn going right on the RT16 at the next Safety Committee Meeting. He stated there isn't a "No Turn on Red" sign at that stop. He stated people driving down Main Street are going fast and it is really hard to see cars coming. Mr. Pizzetti stated that intersection met MassDOT guidelines. He said he will look into this. Chairman Miller stated the Board received a petition regarding the restriction of trucks on Ash Street. He asked if this could also be reviewed by the Safety Committee at their next meeting.

Ted Tetreault – South Shore Road Citizen's Petition – Discussion

Mr. McAuliffe stated both Ted Tetreault and Scott Charpentier have spoken to the neighbor and he has indicated he has no issue with the parking on that parcel. He stated this is nothing the Town would like to pursue at this time. Mr. Tetreault stated the Board received a copy of his letter of opinion. Mr. Charpentier stated he did a site plan review and there is no concern for enforcement.

Motion: made by Selectman Jolda, seconded by Selectman Starzec to accept the Building Inspector's and Town Engineer/Planner's recommendation.

Vote: Mr. Starzec – yes, Mr. Dowgiewicz – yes, Mr. Jolda – yes, Mr. Bourque – yes, Chairman Miller – yes.

Jean Travis – Library Board of Trustees Update

Jean Travis came forward. She stated with the support from Senator Moore, Webster is number one on the list for funding for the new library. She stated Webster received a seventy five percent (75%) grant. She stated the Town's share would be twenty five percent (25%) of the total cost. Mr. McAuliffe stated the Town would be looking to have a Special Town Meeting. Mrs. Travis stated this has been a very tedious process. Selectman Starzec thanked Jean Travis and all of the Library Trustees for their hard work.

Karen Munkacy, MD – Medical Marijuana Growing Facility

Karen Munkacy came forward. She stated she is the President and Founder of Garden Remedies. She stated is in support of medical marijuana. She stated she suffered through chemotherapy when she was diagnosed with breast cancer. She stated she doesn't not want people to suffer like she did during chemotherapy. She stated she was awarded a dispensary license through the State. She stated they are interested in 30 Worcester Road for a cultivation center. She stated would be looking to hire local. She stated she would meet with the Police Department and the Fire Department to go over their intentions. Mr. McAuliffe stated the zoning might not fit their needs. He stated the Town might have to call for a Special Town Meeting to amend their Zoning By-Laws. Ms. Munkacy stated they are looking to get this site and move forward as soon as possible. Chairman Miller stated the Town Administrator will work on if the zoning fits the need tomorrow. He stated the Board could hold a meeting on November 5, 2014 to see what is needed to move forward.

Motion: made by Selectman Starzec, seconded by Selectman Bourque to hold a meeting on Wednesday, November 5, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. to get an update on the medical marijuana growing facility.

Vote: Mr. Starzec – yes, Mr. Dowgiewicz – yes, Mr. Jolda – yes, Mr. Bourque – yes, Chairman Miller – yes.

Selectman Starzec asked if Ms. Munkacy could prepare a Business Plan and a Corporate Structure for the next meeting.

Town Administrator's Report

Mr. McAuliffe stated the Town concluded the Annual Fall Town Meeting.

He stated he attended the Police Fire Building Committee Meeting.

He stated he attended the Regional Dispatch Meeting. He stated they are heading to talk to the Town of Oxford.

He stated he attended the Trustees of Soldiers Monuments Meeting. He stated they are seeking another monument dedicated to female helpers.

He stated the Town had a wonderful turnout at the Webster Dudley Oxford Chamber of Commerce 3rd Annual Business and Home Show.

He stated he conducted the 4th Annual October Harvest Festival. He stated the Town Hall was very busy.

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

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

Vote: Mr. Starzec – yes, Mr. Dowgiewicz – yes, Mr. Jolda – yes, Mr. Bourque – yes, Chairman Miller – yes.

Old Business

Chairman Miller stated the Board received paperwork on the bids received for 0 Lakeview Road. He stated the only bid received was from Webster Venture in the amount of \$55,200.00.

Motion: made by Selectman Bourque, seconded by Selectman Dowgiewicz to accept the bid from Webster Ventures in the amount of \$55,200.00 for 0 Lakeview Road.

Vote: Mr. Starzec – yes, Mr. Dowgiewicz – yes, Mr. Jolda – yes, Mr. Bourque – yes, Chairman Miller – yes.

Chairman Miller stated the Board received an Application for Reconsideration from Wind Tiki.

Motion: made by Selectman Bourque, seconded by Selectman Dowgiewicz to approve Wind Tiki's Application for Reconsideration.

Vote: Mr. Starzec – yes, Mr. Dowgiewicz – yes, Mr. Jolda – yes, Mr. Bourque – yes, Chairman Miller – yes.

Chairman Miller stated the Board received an Application for Reconsideration from Peach Tree Breakfast and Lunch, LLC.

Motion: made by Selectman Dowgiewicz, seconded by Selectman Starzec to approve Peach Tree Breakfast and Lunch, LLC's Application for Reconsideration.

Vote: Mr. Starzec – yes, Mr. Dowgiewicz – yes, Mr. Jolda – yes, Mr. Bourque – yes, Chairman Miller – yes.

New Business

Chairman Miller stated the Board received a letter from St. Anne Elementary School requesting a "One Day" liquor license request for Saturday, November 15, 2014 from 6:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. for a fundraising event.

Motion: made by Selectman Jolda, seconded by Selectman Bourque to approve the "One Day" liquor license request for St. Anne Elementary School for Saturday, November 15, 2014 from 6:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. for a fundraising event.

Vote: Mr. Starzec – yes, Mr. Dowgiewicz – yes, Mr. Jolda – yes, Mr. Bourque – yes, Chairman Miller – yes.

Chairman Miller stated the Board received three requests for Change of Hours. He stated Country Farms, Webster Gulf and Price Chopper are all seeking to change their hours of operation on Sunday's from 12:00 p.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Motion: made by Selectman Bourque, seconded by Selectman Dowgiewicz to approve the Change of Hours request for Country Farms, Webster Gulf and Price Chopper.

Vote: Mr. Starzec – yes, Mr. Dowgiewicz – yes, Mr. Jolda – yes, Mr. Bourque – yes, Chairman Miller – yes.

Chairman Miller stated the Board received a letter from Rev. Msgr. Anthony Czarnecki on behalf of Saint Joseph Basilica requesting the Board grant them a Bingo License.

Motion: made by Selectman Dowgiewicz, seconded by Selectman Bourque to grant Saint Joseph Basilica a Bingo License.

Vote: Mr. Starzec – yes, Mr. Dowgiewicz – yes, Mr. Jolda – abstain, Mr. Bourque – yes, Chairman Miller – yes.

Informational Mail

Chairman Miller stated the Board received a letter from MassDOT stating Klebart Avenue will be getting needed updated through their TIPS Program. He stated they will be putting in sidewalks.

Selectman Dowgiewicz stated the Town of Southbridge through their Town Council has challenged the Town of Webster through the Board of Selectmen to a flag football game. He stated this event would benefit charity. He stated the Board of Selectmen accepts the offer.

A resident asked if the Board was going to rescind their vote to ask Senator Moore to defund the proposed Correction Center. He stated he believes it is a good program. He stated Webster should stick their heads in the sand and ignore that there is a problem with substance abuse. Selectman Dowgiewicz stated he would personally not rescind his vote until the Town gets more information in writing about the program. Chairman Miller asked to have this on the November 5, 2014 agenda in order to get more information.

Adjournment

Motion: made by Selectman Bourque, seconded by Selectman Dowgiewicz to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

Vote: Mr. Starzec – yes, Mr. Dowgiewicz – yes, Mr. Jolda – yes, Mr. Bourque – yes, Chairman Miller – yes.

Respectfully Submitted,
Courtney Friedland