Board of Selectmen March 21, 2019 Town Hall Jonathan Keep
Robert Czekanski
Stanley Wysocki
Don Lowe, Town Administrator
Linda L. Day, Town Secretary

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion made by Czekanski and seconded by Wysocki, the Board of Selectmen voted 3-0 by roll call (Keep –yes, Czekanski – yes, Wysocki – yes) to enter into executive session at 7:00 p.m. pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, Section 21(a)6 to consider the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property, as the Chair finds that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the Board's negotiating position. The Board announced it would reconvene to open session.

Mr. Keep called the Board of Selectmen's meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

## PUBLIC SEWER DISTRICT

Present: Erik Neyland, Chairman of the Economic Development Committee; Eileen Griffin-Wright, Realtor

Mr. Neyland suggested looking at public sewer along Main Street if we would like more business development and residences septic systems to be up to code. He recommended that a Public Sewer Committee be created to research and document the issues and lay out a long range plan for a public sewer district along Main Street.

Ms. Griffin-Wright stated that the Cracker Barrel is currently for sale and it has been a hardship to pump the tight tank.

Mr. Keep stated that the treatment plant is rated at 40,000 per day and is currently serving 11,000 gallons. The Town is paying thousands of dollars yearly to have it monitored and recently paid \$69,000 for a repair. Mr. Keep's opinion that the treatment plant would run closer to capacity and be more efficient if it was shared between the Town and residents.

Mr. Wysocki stated that there isn't an option for residents to hook into the sewage treatment plant as it was voted on for municipal use only and should be reserved for future potential Florence Sawyer Schools and the Town Hall.

Mr. Czekanski recommended that both a sewer and water district be included as part of the master plan. Mr. Lowe stated that the first step would be to get an engineer involved to look at the issues. Mr. Lowe will share a document that he prepared years ago about the process.

The discussion to determine the charge of a Study Committee will be placed on the next Board of Selectmen's agenda. Members of the Study Committee should include an Engineer, DPW Director and Town Planner.

REQUEST FROM THE OVER THE HILL SOCCER LEAGUE TO START GAMES 8:30 A.M. – FORBUSH MILL ROAD SOCCER FIELDS

Ms. Laura Roberts, Chairman of the Parks and Recreation and Mr. Tom Pokorney, a member of the Over The Hill Soccer League (OTHSL) met with the Board of Selectmen to request approval to start playing soccer at 8:30 a.m. versus 9:00 a.m. on the Forbush Mill Road fields for 5 Spring Sundays and 5 Fall Sundays. Mr. Pokorney explained that currently two games are played on Sunday with the first game starting at 9:00 a.m. and then the second game starting at 10:45 a.m. which is a bit late to be done by noon time as requested by the league. The Parks and Recreation Commission approved the OTHSL's request at their last meeting but the Board of Selectmen deferred their vote until the Parks and Recreation have a chance to speak with the neighbors to see if they can come up with an amicable agreement. If not, they will come back to the Board of Selectmen for further discussion.

REVIEW AND FINALIZE THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING (ATM) WARRANT The Board of Selectmen reviewed the Annual Town Meeting warrant for Monday, May 6, 2019.

On a motion made by Wysocki and seconded by Czekanski, the Board of Selectmen voted to approve the Selectmen's statement as amended. (Keep – yes, Czekanski – yes, Wysocki – yes)

**Article 3: Fiscal year 2020 Operating Budget:** On a motion made by Czekanski and seconded by Wysocki, the Board of Selectmen voted to approve this article. (Keep – yes, Czekanski – yes, Wysocki – yes)

Article 12: Grant of Utility Easement: The Board of Selectmen informed Mr. Rauch, representative for the Mayflower Boy Scout Council that they wanted to continue discussion regarding the request for the utility easement but there wasn't enough time before closing the warrant to address the legal issues and what can and can't be done. Mr. Wysocki stated that a home rule petition may also be necessary but they didn't have all the answers for this evening. On a motion made by Wysocki and seconded by Czekanski, the Board of Selectmen voted to remove the article from the ATM warrant. (Keep – yes, Czekanski – yes, Wysocki – yes)

Article 13: Amendment to the Code of the Town of Bolton, Division I, Part II, General Legislation to add new Section 218 Transfer Station: On a motion made by Czekanski and seconded by Wysocki, the Board of Selectmen voted to approve this article. (Keep – yes, Czekanski – yes, Wysocki – yes)

**Article 15: Local Option rooms Tax:** On a motion made by Czekanski and seconded by Wysocki, the Board of Selectmen voted to approve this article. (Keep – yes, Czekanski – yes, Wysocki – yes)

**Article 16:** Recoat on Roof of Public Safety Building \$32,000: On a motion made by Wysocki and seconded by Czekanski, the Board of Selectmen voted to approve this article. (Keep – yes, Czekanski – yes, Wysocki – yes)

Article 17: Replacement DPW Director's 2005 Crown Victoria with 1-Ton Pick Up Truck with Plow Equipment - \$46,900: On a motion made by Wysocki and seconded by Czekanski, the Board of Selectmen voted to approve this article. (Keep – yes, Czekanski – yes, Wysocki – yes)

Article 18: Replacement of DPW Maintenance SUV with a ½ Town Van - \$38,000: On a motion made by Wysocki and seconded by Czekanski, the Board of Selectmen voted to approve this article. (Keep – yes, Czekanski – yes, Wysocki – yes)

- Article 19: Phase One (of a Two Phases project) to Design and Install Two Way Radio System for Department of Public Works \$36,000: On a motion made by Wysocki and seconded by Czekanski, the Board of Selectmen voted to remove the article for the ATM warrant. (Keep yes, Czekanski yes, Wysocki yes)
- Article 20: Drainage/Flood Control Improvements, South Bolton and Spectacle Hill Roads \$250,000: On a motion made by Wysocki and seconded by Czekanski, the Board of Selectmen voted to approve this article. (Keep yes, Czekanski yes, Wysocki yes)
- **Article 21: Engineering to Replace Failed Culvert, Wattaquadock Hill Road \$80,000:** On a motion made by Wysocki and seconded by Czekanski, the Board of Selectmen voted to approve this article. (Keep yes, Czekanski yes, Wysocki yes)
- Article 21: Emergency Protective Measure Related to Failed Culvert, Wattaquadock Hill Road \$20,000: On a motion made by Czekanski and seconded by Wysocki, the Board of Selectmen voted to approve this article. (Keep yes, Czekanski yes, Wysocki yes)
- Article 22: Command Vehicles Chevrolet Silverado 2500 Pick Up Truck (command/utility) Vehicle \$50,000: On a motion made by Wysocki and seconded by Czekanski, the Board of Selectmen voted to approve this article. (Keep yes, Czekanski yes, Wysocki yes)
- **Article 24: Replacement Engine 4 \$91,013:** On a motion made by Czekanski and seconded by Wysocki, the Board of Selectmen voted to remove this article from the ATM warrant. (Keep yes, Czekanski yes, Wysocki yes)
- Article 25: Emerson School Building Carpet Replacement \$30,000: On a motion made by Wysocki and seconded by Czekanski, the Board of Selectmen voted to approve this article. (Keep yes, Czekanski yes, Wysocki yes)
- Article 26: Temperature Control System Replacement Florence Sawyer School \$98,160: On a motion made by Wysocki and seconded by Czekanski, the Board of Selectmen voted to approve this article. (Keep yes, Czekanski yes, Wysocki yes)
- Article 27: Replenish the Advisory Committee Reserve Fund \$25,000: On a motion made by Czekanski and seconded by Wysocki, the Board of Selectmen voted to approve this article. (Keep yes, Czekanski yes, Wysocki yes)
- **Article 28:** Nashoba Regional School District Debt Authorization \$600,000: On a motion made by Wysocki and seconded by Czekanski, the Board of Selectmen voted to approve this article. (Keep yes, Czekanski yes, Wysocki yes)
- Article 27: Establish Stabilization Fund for Nashoba Regional School District: The Board of Selectmen would like Superintendent Brooke Clenchy and the School Committee Representatives to meet with them at their next meeting to discuss the implications of this article. On a motion made by Wysocki and seconded by Czekanski, the Board of Selectmen voted to give their recommendation on town meeting floor. (Keep yes, Czekanski yes, Wysocki yes)

**Article 28: Authorize Town Election:** On a motion made by Wysocki and seconded by Czekanski, the Board of Selectmen voted to approve this article. (Keep – yes, Czekanski – yes, Wysocki – yes) On a motion made Wysocki and seconded by Czekanski, the Board of Selectmen voted to close and execute the warrant for the Annual Town Meeting on May 6, 2019. (Keep – yes, Czekanski – yes, Wysocki – yes)

## TOWN ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Update on Minuteman: The project is on schedule to open in September, 2019 and is within budget.

**Update on Portico Project:** Starting tomorrow the contractors will be working on a daily basis and the project is still on schedule for completion in June and within budget.

**FY'20 Goal Setting:** Mr. Lowe proposed that his goals for FY'20 include being more involved in the capital planning process going forward and completing the MassWorks project at Wattaquadock Hill Road and Main Street along with overall management of the town. The Board of Selectmen added the merger of the Fire Department and the Ambulance Squad, getting the master plan off the ground and reviewing of the town hall hours, particularly on Friday and transfer station hours.

## **BOARD OF SELECTMEN BUSINESS**

**Public Service Announcement:** Mr. Czekanski suggested that resident who are interested in the big picture finances of the town can to on the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board website and access "EMMA" where financial information regarding Bolton can be found.

**Minutes:** On a motion made by Wysocki and seconded by Czekanski, the Board of Selectmen voted to approve the Law Committee regular session minutes of February 28 and March 7, 2019 and executive session minutes of February 28, 2019 along with Board of Selectmen regular session minutes of February 7, 2019 and executive session minutes of February 7, 2019. (Keep – yes, Czekanski – yes, Wysocki – yes) Ms. Day will do a review of the minutes to be completed and forward to the Board of Selectmen.

On a motion made by Keep and seconded by Czekanski, the Board of Selectmen voted to adjourn at 8:25 p.m. (Keep – yes, Czekanski – yes, Wysocki – yes)

Respectfully submitted by Linda L. Day