

HOLLISTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

July 13, 2010 (Tuesday)
7:00 P.M.

Town Hall
Selectmen’s Meeting Room

Present: Andrew M. Porter, Chairman; William McColl, Vice Chairman; Jay Marsden, Clerk; Paul D. Le Beau, Town Administrator and Andrea Minihan, Administrative Assistant.

AT 7:00 P.M., MR. MARSDEN MOVED TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION WITH THE ZONING BOARD OD APPEALS, THE FINANCE COMMITTEE AND SPECIAL LEGAL COUNSEL TO DISCUSS STRATEGY WITH RESPECT TO THE LITIGATION KNOWN AS HOLLISTON ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS V HOUSING APPEALS COMMITTEE AND GREENVIEW REALTY LLC. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. MCCOLL. ALL IN FAVOR.

MR. PORTER SAID A PUBLIC DISCUSSION MAY HAVE A DETRIMENTAL EFFECT ON THE TOWN’S LITIGATING POSITION. HE SAID THE EXECUTIVE SESSION WOULD LAST APPROXIMATELY 30 MINUTES AND THAT THE BOARD WOULD TAKE UP PUBLIC MATTERS AT THAT TIME.

	AYE	NAY
Mr. Porter	X	
Mr. McColl	X	
Mr. Marsden	X	

AT 7:35 P.M. THE BOARD EMERGED FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION AND WENT INTO OPEN SESSION.

Mr. Porter said that there is a new Open Meeting Law. Not only is the meeting on local cable access on HCAT, the meeting is taped and then transcribed and meeting minutes are generated.

MR. MARSDEN MOVED TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING WARRANT:

11-03	GENERAL WARRANT	\$ 429,372.09
	VOIDS	\$(569,076.35)
	HEALTH INSURANCE TRUST (701)	\$ 223,940.40
	PAYROLL	\$ 90,651.59
	TOTAL WARRANT	\$ 174,887.73

ACCOUNTANT’S NOTE:

ACCRUED DEDUCTION LIABILITIES NOT PAID	
	\$ 28,982.34

TREASURER'S NOTE:**WIRES TO HEALTH INSURANCE TRUST**

\$ 18,872.00

THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. MCCOLL. TWO IN FAVOR. MR. PORTER ABSTAINED.**COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD**

Mr. McColl reminded residents that there is a water ban in effect. He said that hand watering before 9:00 a.m. and after 5:00 p.m. is allowed. He also said that there are two highway projects, one on Concord Street and the other on Highland Street. He said that Highland Street will be closed starting on Monday, July 19th, from 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. from Prospect Street to Prentice Street.

Mr. Porter thanked all who supported the Lions' Club Carnival. He said that the Triathlon was a huge success. He also said that there have been several motor vehicle accidents in the past few weeks, so please keep the speed down.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Jack Blais, Mitchell Road, asked about the Cutler Heights access road to the water storage tank, he asked if the Town was taking this property. If so, why was it not resolved before this project started.

Mr. Porter asked Mr. Blais to speak with Mr. Le Beau about this issue.

HCAAT BY-LAW AMENDMENT

Jenny McGee and Walter McGrath were present to discuss by-law changes. Ms. McGee said that at their annual meeting this September, they would like the Selectmen to approve the change to have all HCAAT Directors and Board Members be Holliston Residents. She said that this is Article 3.

MR. MCCOLL MOVED TO APPROVE THE REQUEST FROM THE HCAAT TO HAVE ALL DIRECTORS AND BOARD MEMBERS BE HOLLISTON RESIDENTS. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. MARSDEN. ALL IN FAVOR.

MS. GREENDALE – CDBG

Mary Greendale said that this is an application for the Community Development Block Grant. She said that it targets low and moderate income residents. She said that the application will be available in November. But prior to that, there needs to be a Community Development strategy in place. She would like to have a plan by October. A strategy documented was prepared in 2008 and needs to be updated. She also said that there will have to be a public hearing advertising the Community Development Block Grant. She said this will be for the Cutler Heights project. She said that they would have to look at parking, sidewalks, the hill and grassland. She said that with public funds that would pay for this type of project, you get a variety of people who may or may not have special needs such as English as a second language or emotional needs. Some of the funding can go towards assistance in programs in school, but not for the school directly.

She said that they could put computers in the community room. Ms. Greendale said that she will need the Chairman of the Board to sign the application.

Ms. Greendale asked that the Board authorize the Chair to sign a PARC grant application, a twin to the previous LWFC grant for the playground at Goodwill Park.

MR. MCCOLL MOVED TO AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN THE GRANT APPLICATION. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. MARSDEN. ALL IN FAVOR.

BOARD BUSINESS

EVENT PERMITS

MR. MCCOLL MOVED TO AUTHORIZE THE ANNUAL BOOT DRIVE AT ROSSINI CORNER ON AUGUST 28TH FROM 9:00 A.M. TO 2:00 P.M. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. MARSDEN. ALL IN FAVOR.

MR. MCCOLL MOVED TO APPROVE THE AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY BIKE RIDE ON JULY 25TH. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. MARSDEN. ALL IN FAVOR.

RE-APPOINTMENTS TO HOUSING TRUST AND HISTORICAL COMMISSION

MR. MCCOLL MOVED TO RE-APPOINT JUDY GROSJEAN TO THE HISTORICAL COMMISSION FOR A THREE YEAR TERM. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. MARSDEN. ALL IN FAVOR.

MR. MCCOLL MOVED TO RE-APPOINT FRANK CHAMBERLAIN TO THE HOUSING TRUST FUND BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR A TWO YEAR TERM. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. MARSDEN. ALL IN FAVOR.

NERAC EQUIPMENT FORM

Mr. Porter said in a memo from Chief Cassidy he asked for the signature of the Chairman on the subscription form for emergency equipment in Framingham. That way we can access the equipment if needed for emergency response.

MR. MCCOLL MOVED TO AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN THE SUBSCRIPTION FORM TO ACCESS EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT IN FRAMINGHAM IF NEEDED. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. MARSDEN. ALL IN FAVOR.

CHAPTER 90 PROJECT REQUEST

MR. MCCOLL MOVED TO APPROVE THE CHAPTER 90 PROJECT REQUEST FOR GORWIN DRIVE CULVERT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$150,000.00. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. MARSDEN. ALL IN FAVOR.

PROJECT DOCUMENTS FOR HIGHLAND STREET SIDEWALK AND GORWIN DRIVE

Mr. Le Beau said that the paperwork needs to be signed, it has already been approved.

AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION

Mr. Porter said that the Agricultural Commission would like to appoint William Suarez as a full member from an associate member.

MR. MCCOLL MOVED TO APPOINT WILLIAM SUAREZ AS A FULL MEMBER OF THE AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. MARSDEN. ALL IN FAVOR.

BANNER REQUEST

Mr. Porter said that Mission Possible would like to place their banner advertising the 5K run in October.

MR. MCCOLL MOVED TO AUTHORIZE THE SECOND LOCATION FOR THE MISSION POSSIBLE BANNER FOR ONE WEEK IN OCTOBER. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. MARSDEN. ALL IN FAVOR.

CASINO LEGISLATION

Mr. Porter has raised questions about the traffic infrastructure, economic development and damage to wildlife. Mr. Porter said that Ashland issued a letter with concerns. He said that there is a lot of talk behind closed doors about this at the State level. Mr. Porter said that he does not like being told what is going to happen. Mr. Porter asked if this could be discussed at a Department Head meeting. That way, everyone will be on the same page. Mr. Porter said that we should have a meeting with Ashland and Hopkinton to discuss the casino.

AT 8:10 P.M. MR. PORTER MOVED TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION, THE OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE, THE COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE, THE HOUSING COMMITTEE AND THE HOUSING TRUST TO CONSIDER THE PURCHASE, EXCHANGE, LEASE OR VALUE OF REAL ESTATE; AND TO DISCUSS STRATEGY WITH RESPECT TO COLLECTIVE BARGAINING. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. MCCOLL. A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN:

MR. PORTER SAID A PUBLIC DISCUSSION MAY HAVE A DETRIMENTAL EFFECT ON THE TOWN'S NEGOTIATING POSITION

	AYE	NAY
Mr. Porter	X	
Mr. McColl	X	
Mr. Marsden	X	

MR. PORTER SAID THE EXECUTIVE SESSION WOULD LAST APPROXIMATELY 30 MINUTES AND THAT THE ONLY BUSINESS AFTER THAT WOULD BE TO SIGN DOCUMENTS PREVIOUSLY APPROVED.

AT 8:57 P.M., THE BOARD EMERGED FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION TO SIGN DOCUMENTS THAT WERE PREVIOUSLY VOTED ON IN OPEN SESSION. MR. MARSDEN MOVED TO ADJOURN. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. MCCOLL. ALL IN FAVOR.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna A. Muzzy

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