

HOLLISTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

March 21, 2011
7:30 P.M.

Town Hall
Selectmen's Meeting Room

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

MR. MARSDEN MOVED TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING WARRANTS:

11-39	GENERAL WARRANT	\$291,557.02
	STUDENT ACTIVITY (8030)	\$ 9,235.14
	PAYROLL	\$ 86,329.10
	TOTAL WARRANT	\$392,394.55

ACCOUNTANT'S NOTE:

ACCRUED DEDUCTION LIABILITIES NOT PAID

\$ 27,136.95

TREASURE'S NOTE:

WIRE TO HEALTH INSURANCE TRUST

\$ 16,805.50

THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. MCCOLL. TWO IN FAVOR. MR. PORTER ABSTAINED.

COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

Mr. McColl said that Cutler Heights is open and they are taking applications. He said that the units are nice and they have a great view from the top of the hill. He also said that the Holliston PTSA is having their Auction on Friday night, March 25th, at the Milford Doubletree Hotel.

Mr. Marsden said that on April 1, there will be a comedy night at St. Mary's CCD Center. All the proceeds will benefit the Holliston Community Action Fund.

Mr. Porter said that there is a group that would like to renovate the Miller School playground. He said that they are having a used sporting equipment drive the first weekend in April. He also congratulated the High School Theater Guild Globe Fest Team for making the semi-finals.

There were no comments from the audience

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT – CHAPTER 90 REQUEST AND ROAD PROJECT

Tom Smith, Highway Superintendent, was present. He said that Hargrave Ave, Copper Lane, Silver Lane, Alden Road, Gregory Road and Gorwin Drive will be on the spring road construction list. Mr. Smith said that he would like to start the first week of May.

MR. MARSDEN MOVED TO APPROVE THE CHAPTER 90 REQUEST FOR ROAD RECLAMATION. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. PORTER. TWO IN FAVOR. MR. MCCOLL ABSTAINED.

**CHAPTER 90 REIMBURSEMENT REQUEST FOR HIGHLAND STREET
SIDEWALK AND GORWIN DRIVE CULVERT**

**MR. MCCOLL MOVED TO APPROVE THE CHAPTER 90 REIMBURSEMENT
FOR THE HIGHLAND STREET SIDEWALK AND THE GORWIN DRIVE
CULVERT. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. MARSDEN. ALL IN
FAVOR.**

BID FOR STREET SWEEPER

Mr. Porter said that it is the recommendation of Mr. Smith to award the bid to Fairfield, LLC. Mr. Smith said that three different companies went out to bid on the sweeper. Mr. Porter said that this was approved at the Special Town Meeting on October 25, 2010.

**MR. MCCOLL MOVED TO APPROVE THE BID FOR THE NEW STREET
SWEEPER. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. MARSDEN. ALL IN
FAVOR.**

Mr. Smith also provided a list of all the road projects that will start this spring.

EAGLE SCOUT LETTER – MATTHEW BRODO

Mr. McColl said that Matthew worked on the fire hydrants to earn his Eagle Badge.

SEASONAL LIQUOR LICENSE CERTIFICATION

Mr. Le Beau said that this letter confirms that the Town does not have any Seasonal Liquor Licenses.

ONE DAY ALCOHOL LICENSE – HOLLISTON BUSINESS ASSOCIATION

**MR. MCCOLL MOVED TO APPROVE THE ONE DAY ALCOHOL LICENSE
FOR A COMEDY NIGHT AT ST. MARY'S CCD CENTER ON APRIL 1, 2011,
FROM 7:00 P.M. TO 11:00 P.M. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR.
PORTER. MR. MARSDEN ABSTAINED.**

**MR. MCCOLL MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF JANUARY 18, 2011,
AS WRITTEN. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. MARSDEN. ALL IN
FAVOR.**

**MR. MCCOLL MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF JANUARY 24, 2011,
AS WRITTEN. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. MARSDEN. ALL IN
FAVOR.**

**EVENT PERMITS – WALK & SOUP SOCIAL & AMERICAN CANCER
SOCIETY**

**MR. MCCOLL MOVED TO THE WALK AND SOUP SOCIAL ON MARCH 26,
2011, SPONSORED BY THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH. THE MOTION
WAS SECONDED BY MR. MARSDEN. ALL IN FAVOR.**

MR. MCCOLL MOVED TO APPROVE THE AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY BIKE RIDE ON JUNE 12, 2011. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. MARSDEN. ALL IN FAVOR.

APPOINTMENT – AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION

MR. MCCOLL MOVED TO APPOINT PETER WESTLAND AS AN ASSOCIATE MEMBER OF THE AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. MARSDEN. ALL IN FAVOR.

Mr. Porter said that the VFW on Woodland Street received a Keno License.

At 7:45 P.M. SENATOR SPILKA & REPRESENTATIVE DYKEMA

Senator Spilka and State Representative Dykema spoke about Local Aid and Public Transportation Bond Bill.

There was also a brief discussion on Health Care.

8:00 P.M. MR. MCCOLL MOVED TO OPEN THE HEARING - CHANGE OF MANAGERS HEARING – VETERANS OF FOREIGN WAR

Mr. Porter said that his law partner is representing the VFW, so he will recuse himself from this part of the discussion.

Daniel Wetherbee was present. Mr. McColl asked if he had taken care of all the classes that need to be taken to run a bar. Mr. Wetherbee said yes he took care of everything. Mr. McColl reminded him that the Selectmen take the serving of alcohol very seriously, so he must comply with all the rules that have been put in place.

MR. MARSDEN MOVED TO APPROVE THE CHANGE OF MANAGERS FOR THE VFW TO DANIEL WETHERBEE. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. MCCOLL. TWO IN FAVOR. MR. PORTER WAS ABSENT.

Mr. Dowd

Mr. Dowd said that Mary Bousquet has been wonderful to work with. He said that as they discussed in January, the focus was on the financial schedule. He said that he was focusing on staffing, payroll and benefits. He said that he split it into groups. Full-time employees with benefits and employees working 20 hours or more with benefits and 20 hours or more with-out benefits. He said that there are many people on the Town's payroll that only work intermittently. He said that they added the volunteer firefighters and the EMT'S because they get benefits. Mr. Dowd also spoke about a payroll summary. He said that Personnel Services are all on one line. He would like to see a breakdown. Mr. Porter said that the Selectmen only oversee a few departments. Mr. Dowd spoke about retiree contributions. He said that the State takes care of the retiring teacher and the Town will take care of the rest of the Town employees at retirement. Mr. McColl said that by breaking down all the line items, it would be helpful to everyone who looked at the Annual Town Report. Mr. Marsden said that the more information the better.

Mr. Porter said that the Board received a letter of praise from the Town of Ashland about Sergeant George Leurini, who taught a class in Ashland.

Mr. Porter said that the Town of Medway also sent a letter of praise for Cara Ryan, Todd Hagen, Craig Denman and Chad Thompson on the capture of a breaking and entering suspect in the Town of Medway.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Mr. Porter said that Peter Barbieri would like to be appointed after Town Meeting to this Committee. He has an Article on the Town Meeting Warrant.

MR. MCCOLL MOVED TO APPOINT THE FOLLOWING TO THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE: MARK AHRONIAN, MARY GREENDALE, WILLIAM BROWN, MICHAEL HORNE, FRAN COLANTONIO AND JOHN DILA. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. MARSDEN. TWO IN FAVOR. MR. PORTER ABSTAINED.

AT 8:15 P.M., MR. MCCOLL MOVED TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AND PENDING LITIGATION. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. MARSDEN. A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN.

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MR. PORTER	X	
MR. MCCOLL	X	
MR. MARSDEN	X	

MR. PORTER SAID A PUBLIC DISCUSSION MAY HAVE A DETRIMENTAL AFFECT ON THE TOWN'S BARGAINING AND LITIGATION POSITION. HE SAID THE EXECUTIVE SESSION WOULD LAST APPROXIMATELY ONE HOUR.

AT 9:23 P.M., THE BOARD EMERGED FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION AND MOVED TO ADJOURN.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna A. Muzzy

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