

HOLLISTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

March 7, 2011
7:30 P.M.

Town Hall
Selectmen’s Meeting Room

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

MR. MARSDEN MOVED TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING WARRANTS:

11-37	GENERAL WARRANT	\$ 641,920.91
	VOIDS	\$ (63,360.25)
	COMMUNITY PRESERVATION (265)	\$ 869.35
	HEALTH INSURANCE TRUST (701)	\$ 453,927.78
	PERFORMANCE DEPOSITS (801)	\$ 200.00
	PAYROLL	\$ 125,264.55
	TOTAL WARRANT	\$1,158,822.34

ACCOUNTANT’S NOTE:

ACCRUED DEDUCTION LIABILITIES NOT PAID

\$ 34,087.85

TREASURE’S NOTE:

WIRE TO HEALTH INSURANCE TRUST

\$ 22,551.25

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

COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

Mr. Marsden congratulated the High School Football team for receiving their Super Bowl rings.

Mr. McColl said that he has submitted his resignation effective, May 24th. He said that he is planning on running for the position of Town Clerk.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Elizabeth Theiler, Norland Street passed out an informational package on employee step raises. She said that the raises are excessive. She also said that the Personnel Board has only one member instead of five. She said that the Personnel Board has an important job with keeping track of employee’s salaries.

RE-ZONING WASHINGTON STREET

Peter Barbieri and Brian McCann were present. Mr. Barbieri said that there are five parcels of land on Washington Street, just before Hopping Brook Park. His client would like to have the property re-zoned. He said that they have had time to draw some plans to see what the building will look like. He said that they would not be near the wetlands. He said that the building will look nice and the grounds will be kept up. Mr. Barbieri said that he is asking the Selectmen support this re-zoning article at Town

Meeting. Mr. Marsden asked what kind of tenants will occupy the building? Mr. McCann said that he does not have any tenants as of yet. Mr. Barbieri said that he would like to see offices, retail, consumer services and restaurant. He said that is the type of business they are looking for.

APPOINTMENTS

MR. MARSDEN MOVED TO APPOINT TONY LULEK TO THE AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION AS A FULL MEMBER FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE IN JUNE 2011. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. MCCOLL. TWO IN FAVOR. MR. PORTER WAS ABSENT.

MR. MARSDEN MOVED TO APPROVE THE MEETING MINUTES OF JANUARY 10, 2011, AS WRITTEN. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. MCCOLL. TWO IN FAVOR. MR. PORTER WAS ABSENT.

MR. MARSDEN MOVED TO APPROVE BUT NOT RELEASE THE EXECUTIVE SESSION MEETING MINUTES FOR JANUARY 10, 2011. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. MCCOLL. TWO IN FAVOR. MR. PORTER WAS ABSENT.

EVENT PERMITS

MR. MARSDEN MOVED TO APPROVE THE NEWCOMERS CLUB 5K ROAD RACE ON MAY 15, 2011. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. MCCOLL. TWO IN FAVOR. MR. PORTER WAS ABSENT.

MR. MARSDEN MOVED TO APPROVE THE YOUTH BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL PARADE ON MAY 1, 2011. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. MCCOLL. TWO IN FAVOR. MR. PORTER WAS ABSENT.

MR. MARSDEN MOVED TO APPROVE THE WINTER WALKS ON MARCH 13, 2011. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. MCCOLL. TWO IN FAVOR. MR. PORTER WAS ABSENT.

FLEXIBLE SPENDING PLAN AMENDMENT

Mr. McColl said this is an amendment to Flexible Spending plan related to employee spending accounts, on what they can spend it on. Mr. Le Beau said that there is a change in the IRS codes. Mr. Le Beau said that this is a voluntary account.

MR. MARSDEN MOVED TO APPROVE THE CODE CHANGES FOR THE FLEXIBLE SPENDING EMPLOYEE PLAN. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. MCCOLL. TWO IN FAVOR. MR. PORTER WAS ABSENT.

POLICE DEPARTMENT BUDGET

Chief John Moore and Lieutenant Keith Edison were present. Chief Moore said that the budget is level funded. He said that they were able to cut almost every line. He said

that they are going to keep in mind the utilities and not over-run the a/c or the heat. He also said that they are changing phone companies and that will save. He said that they have cut out one cell phone. Also, the clothing allowance has been cut by one officer. Because of his promotion they are down from 24 officers to 23 officers. He also said that they may even rent the training room at the police station. Chief Moore said that last Fiscal Year some of the officers had personal tragedy so some over time was required to cover the extra shifts.

Lieutenant Edison said they could increase revenue from renting out the training room.

AT 8:00 P.M., MR. MARSDEN MOVED TO ADJOURN. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. MCCOLL. TWO IN FAVOR. MR. PORTER WAS ABSENT.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna A. Muzzy

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