

HOLLISTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

May 5, 2011
7:00 P.M.

Town Hall
Selectmen's Meeting Room

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

Mr. Porter said that there was no Warrant, as the Board met on Monday the 2nd of May.

Mr. McColl said that Town Meeting is on May 9th at 7:30 p.m. at the High School and will run continuous nights as needed.

There were no comments from the audience.

PWED PROJECT – LIGHTS

Mr. Porter said that this is a case of if you do not spend the money on the lights, then we will lose it. Mr. Porter said that this project at Washington Street, Woodland Street and High Street has been going on for many years. Mr. Porter said that they have had several discussions about lights in this location. They made the decision to put power and the poles in and then when it was agreed they would put the traffic lights in. Mr. Porter said that they will have a public discussion about this.

Tom Smith, Highway Superintendent, said it would cost \$85,000. to put the lights in. He said that if the Selectmen make the decision to go forward, the lights could be working soon.

Chief John Moore said that there have been 5 crashes at that location just this year. He said that since the road was widened the number of crashes has gone down.

Officer Jim Ward said that he has been tracking the accidents.

Bill Hammond, 332 Washington Street, asked if the lights will work all night long or would they blink? Mr. Smith said that they are working on that.

There was a discussion about the traffic with a number of residents. Karen Langton, 100 Woodland Street, Rolf Briggs, 140 Washington Street, Anne Marie Reinstein of Timberledge Road and John Losco, Washington Street all commented.

MR. MCCOLL MOVED TO APPROVE THE INSTALLATION OF THE TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT THE INTERSECTION OF WASHINGTON STREET, WOODLAND STREET AND HIGH STREET. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. MARSDEN. ALL IN FAVOR.

BOARD BUSINESS

Mr. Porter passed out a copy of the Town Meeting Articles to the Board.

MR. MCCOLL MOVED TO APPROVE THE EXECUTIVE SESSION MEETING MINUTES FOR APRIL 26, 2011, BUT NOT TO BE RELEASED. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. MARSDEN. ALL IN FAVOR.

Sandy Parnell asked for a waiver of fees for the use of the Upper Town Hall on May 22, 2010 for Relay For Life.

MR. MCCOLL MOVED TO APPROVE THE WAIVER OF FEES FOR RELAY FOR LIFE ON MAY 22, 2010, IN THE UPPER TOWN HALL. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. MARSDEN. ALL IN FAVOR.

AT 7:55 P.M., MR. MCCOLL MOVED TO ADJOURN. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. MARSDEN. ALL IN FAVOR.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna A. Muzzy

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