

HOLLISTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

December 19, 2012
7:30 P.M.

Selectmen’s Meeting Room
Town Hall

Present: Jay Marsden, Chairman; Jay Leary, Vice Chairman; Kevin Conley, Clerk; and Paul D. Le Beau, Town Administrator. Andrea Minihan, Administrative Assistant was absent.

MR. CONLEY MOVED TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING WARRANT

13-26	GENERAL WARRANT	\$ 602,459.81
	STUDENT ACTIVITY (8030) MILLER	\$ 850.00
	MEALS TAX (220)	\$ 59.99
	MEDICARE (001)	\$ 661.00
	CAPITAL PROJECTS FIRE TRUCK (701)	\$ 3,465.00
	AGENCY (890) VETERANS DISTRICT	\$ 234.97
	AGENCY (890) VETERANS DISTRICT PAYROLL	\$ 1,021.08
	GENERAL PAYROLL WARRANT	\$1,062,868.35
	TOWN PAYROLL	\$1,063,889.43
	TOTAL WARRANT PAID	\$1,671,620.40

ACCOUNTANT’S NOTE:

ACCRUED DEDUCTION LIABILITIES NOT PAID

\$ 169,246.40

TREASURER’S NOTE:

WIRE TO HEALTH INSURANCE TRUST

\$ 131,375.67

THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. LEARY. ALL IN FAVOR.

COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

Mr. Conley said that his heart and prayers go out to the Sandy Hook Elementary School in Newtown, CT. Mr. Conley said that this is so hard to watch. It effects everyone. Mr. Conley said that the government should step up with more gun regulations for guns of mass-destruction. Mr. Conley said that we have a responsibility to end that type of abuse of guns because they can get in the wrong hands. Mr. Conley said that it is sometimes easier with someone with mental health issues to get pushed along because it is easier than dealing with them. Mr. Conley said that there are many violent television shows on. He also said that video games are violent and show death and destruction. Mr. Conley said that as parents we need to see what our children are watching and doing. Mr. Leary said that the over-night parking ban will be lifted from December 23, 2012, to December 26, 2012. He said that this would change if we have bad weather. Mr. Marsden said that his thoughts and prayers go out to the families. Mr. Marsden said that they are willing to work to make sure that our kids are safe.

There were no comments from the audience.

BOARD BUSINESS

MR. LEARY MOVED TO APPROVE THE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE FOR BAZELS PIZZA AND SUBS, BERTUCCI'S RESTAURANT, CASEY'S CROSSING, FAIRVIEW AT PINECREST, CREPE-CABANA D/B/A PEJAMA JO CAFE, CENTRAL CAFÉ & CONVENIENCE, ROUTE 16 CONVENIENCE, DEPOT PACKAGE STORE AND COUNTRY LIQUORS. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. CONLEY. ALL IN FAVOR.

COMMON VICTUALLER'S LICENSES

MR. LEARY MOVED TO APPROVE THE COMMON VICTUALLER'S LICENSE FOR BAZELS PIZZA AND SUBS, BERRY BON BON, BERTUCCI'S RESTAURANT, CASEY'S CROSSING, CENTRAL CAFÉ, COFFEE HAVEN, DOLCE TEMPO, DUNKIN DONUTS, HOLLISTON GRILLE, JING'S GARDEN, CREPE-CABANA D/B/A/PEJAMA JO, FAIRVIEW AT PINECREST, SISTERS CORPORATION D/B/A SUBWAY AND TABLE TOP PIZZA. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. CONLEY. ALL IN FAVOR.

CLASS II AUTOMOTIVE DEALER LICENSES

MR. LEARY MOVED TO APPROVE THE CLASS II AUTOMOTIVE DEALER LICENSES. FOR CLASSIC AUTO SALES INC., COUNTRYSIDE MOTORS, HOLLISTON AUTO VILLAGE, HOME TOWN AUTOMOTIVE SERVICE AND SALES, HOME TOWN AUTOMOTIVE SERVICE AND SALES D/B/A HOME TOWN SELECT CARS, KEY STONE AUTOMOTIVE, MATTY'S CARS, BELOW GAS CORPORATION D/B/A PLANET PETROLEUM, SCOOPY'S TRUCK SALES, VILLAGE SERVICE CENTER INC D/B/A/ WASHINGTON STREET AUTO SALES AND GREENGUS MOTOR COMPANY D/B/A/WCG ENTERPRISES. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. CONLEY. ALL IN FAVOR.

CLASS III AUTOMOTIVE DEALER LICENSES

MR. LEARY MOVED TO APPROVE THE CLASS III AUTOMOTIVE DEALER LICENSES. FOR HOLLISTON AUTO BODY AND HOLLISTON EQUIPMENT COMPANY. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. CONLEY. ALL IN FAVOR.

AMENDMENT TO TRAFFIC RULES & ORDERS – SPRING STREET AND SCHOOL STREET

Mr. Marsden said that in a memo from Police Chief Moore, that given the fact that the Andrews School is not open, it is no longer necessary to have a one-way. Mr. Marsden said that if they change it back to two lanes without knowing what direction the Andrews School is going to go we are still waiting for a judge to make a decision. He said that we are still in limbo. Mr. Marsden asked if the residents of those streets know that this is up for discussion. Mr. Marsden said that he would like some

feedback from them. Mr. Leary said that if they change it to a two way traffic plan they can always change it back if they want to.

MR. CONLEY MOVED TO AMEND THE TRAFFIC RULES AND ORDERS BY CHANGING SPRING STREET AND SCHOOL STREET FROM ONE WAY STREETS TO TWO WAY STREETS. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. LEARY. ALL IN FAVOR.

CONSERVATION RESTRICTION DEED – WINTER STREET

Mr. Marsden said that this is an opportunity to have more open space. Mr. Marsden said that the Conservation Commission has already reviewed the plan, and they had no problem with it.

MR. LEARY MOVED TO ACCEPT THE CONSERVATION RESTRICTION DEED WITH THE RESTRICTION IN PLACE TO KEEP THE OPEN SPACE DESIGNATION ON PROPERTY ON WINTER STREET. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. CONLEY. ALL IN FAVOR.

MEETING SCHEDULE

Mr. Marsden said that they have been talking about a meeting schedule and on keeping the meetings on Wednesdays or going back to Monday. Mr. Leary said that with his schedule, he could go back to Monday nights but from a practical view, we would not have to reschedule meetings because of the Monday holidays. Mr. Conley said that Wednesdays work well for him. Mr. Marsden said that it did not matter to him about the night. Mr. Leary read the meeting schedule for meetings on Wednesday night starting with January 2, January 16, February 13, February 27, March 13, March 20, April 3, April 17, May 1, May 15, May 29, June 12, and June 26, 2013. All meetings will take place in the Selectmen's Meeting Room at 7:30 p.m.

TOWN HALL HOURS

Mr. Marsden said that we have been talking about this for a few weeks. Mr. Leary said that the Water Department was going to bring up hours at their meeting tomorrow night. Mr. Le Beau said that most people like the idea of staying late on Wednesday night and work half day on Friday. He said that there are some complications with the Planning Board and Conservation Commission which are part-time already. Their availability through a late evening may be a problem because they are limited to the number of hours they work. Mr. Le Beau said that the Building Inspector has tried evening hours and it did not work out. Contractors come in the morning. Mr. Le Beau said that there are a few employees that work a second job and they are concerned about that. Mr. Marsden said his concern would be that someone went to Town Hall to see the Town Clerk on a Tuesday night and they were not open but the Water Department was. That would be no help to them. Mr. Marsden said that we all have to be on the same page to see what is workable.

Mr. Leary said that we will have to check with the people that we have not heard back from and see what their thoughts are. Mr. Marsden said that the liaisons will be in touch

with the departments and see what comes out of it. Mr. Leary asked if they could meet with each department before the January 2, 2013 meeting.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

Mr. Leary read the Annual Town Meeting Notice. The 2013 Annual Town Meeting sessions will begin on Monday May 6, 2013 at 7:30 p.m. in the Holliston High School Auditorium and will continue at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 7, 2013, Wednesday May 8, Thursday May 9, 2013, as required or on such dates voted by Town Meeting. In addition fall session of Town Meeting are tentatively scheduled to commence on Monday October 28, 2013. The Warrant for the May Town Meeting will open on January 2, 2013, and will close on Monday March 18, 2013. The Annual Town Election will take place on Tuesday, May 21, 2013, from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Holliston High School gym.

MR. CONLEY MOVED TO APPROVE THE NOTICE OF TOWN MEETING AND ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION AS READ BY MR. LEARY. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. LEARY. ALL IN FAVOR.

Mr. Marsden said that they have two late items, Mary Bousquet has asked that a Solid Waste Fee Warrant of \$73.00 be approved.

MR. LEARY MOVED TO APPROVE A SOLID WASTE FEE WARRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$73.00. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. CONLEY. ALL IN FAVOR.

MINUTES – DECEMBER 13, 2012

MR. CONLEY MOVED TO APPROVE THE MEETING MINUTES OF DECEMBER 13, 2012, AS WRITTEN. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. LEARY. ALL IN FAVOR.

Mr. Marsden said that 3.57 acres of land on Harness Lane has been donated and will be kept as open space. Mr. Leary said that Conservation Commission has already approved it.

MR. LEARY MOVED TO EXCEPT 3.57 ACRES OF LAND ON HARNESS LANE SO THAT IT WILL REMAIN AS OPEN SPACE. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. CONLEY. ALL IN FAVOR.

Mr. Marsden said that the Road Safety Audit has been completed. The Board has had a chance to look at it. He said that this has been looked at several times and there are many suggestions. Mr. Conley said that just by changing the place of a crosswalk can make things safer. Mr. Leary said that if you are in front of the Superette there is a parking space that abuts the crosswalk. You can't see anyone in the crosswalk because the parked car blocks the view. Mr. Leary said that they will be talking to professionals to come up with a design that addresses these issues. Mr. Leary said that we would need Town Meeting approval to fund it. He also said that we may be able to get someone that can work with what we have already. Mr. Leary still thinks a roundabout would help, with this problem. Mr. Leary said that a roundabout would not be helpful for the Fire

Department. Mr. Conley said that Norfolk has two roundabouts. Mr. Leary said that they do not get the volume of traffic that we get.

Mr. Leary asked if the Board could have a few in-between meetings? They have a lot to discuss. Mr. Leary said that he wants to get going on the Website design so that it will be ready in the spring.

Mr. Leary asked about the Community Center Study Group. Mr. Conley said that they have not had any meetings yet. Mr. Conley said that all should get sworn in before the end of the year.

AT 8:30 P.M., MR. LEARY MOVED TO ADJOURN. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. CONLEY. ALL IN FAVOR.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna A. Muzzy

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