



**Wellfleet Board of Selectmen
Minutes of April 20, 2016
Wellfleet Town Hall**

Present: Selectmen Dennis Murphy, Helen Miranda Wilson; Berta Bruinooge. Also in attendance: Town Administrator Harry Sarkis Terkanian and Assistant Town Administrator Brian Carlson, Finance Committee Chairman Stephen Polowczyk, Town Clerk Joseph Powers, Town Moderator Daniel Silverman, Town Accountant Marilyn Cray, Community Preservation Committee Coordinator Mary Rogers and Attorney Carolyn Murray (by telephone)

Vice Chairman Dennis Murphy called the meeting to order at 10:03 am.

Briefing and preparation for 2016 Annual Town Meeting. Draft motions prepared by the Town Administrator and the annual town meeting warrant were reviewed along with discussion of articles which may require explanation at town meeting. Collective bargaining articles will be moved with funding where agreements have been reached. If no agreement has been reached the article for that contract will be indefinitely postponed. Community Preservation Act articles were discussed. Mary Rogers will move Article 21. The need for the Community Preservation Committee and project supporters to be prepared for questions was discussed regarding articles 21 – 24. On article 27, water system engineering, cost estimates have been requested but are not yet in hand and will be necessary for this proposal to be acted on. The proposed motion on article 28, snow removal, is to be revised by the Town Administrator to make clear that roads to be plowed must be approved by the Board. No information was available on proposed motion on article 31, fireworks, as that article was petitioned. Articles 36 – 38, acceptance of water betterment statutes, was discussed and a fuller explanation of the process to assess betterments should be given to the meeting. The history behind article 40, Council on Aging Advisory Board in the article summary was reviewed. The need to provide additional information on article 41, pesticide restrictions, was discussed. The need to have maps showing the location of the properties to be transferred to the Conservation Commission in articles 45 & 46 was reviewed. Under article 47, the history of the Gull Pond Road affordable housing project was reviewed as a rationale for the developer's request to amend the deed restrictions for the project. Article 47 is a petitioned article so no information is available on a proposed motion. Counsel was asked to comment on whether the meeting could require the selectmen to act and advised the board that a resolution would only be a "sense of the meeting" resolution. A possible amendment to the budget to provide additional funding for the Cultural Council was discussed. It was noted by the Town Administrator that the budget is the result of an eight month process involving many people and many evenings of meetings which, for whatever reason, the Cultural Council did not participate in. Meetings of both the Finance Committee and Selectmen have been posted for 6:00 PM on April 25th for final recommendations. As this was a briefing and discussion, no motions were offered or votes taken on this agenda item.

Approval of letter to Department of Environmental Protection supporting principal forgiveness of State Revolving Fund loans. The Town Administrator briefed the selectmen on the issue which is detailed in the draft letter.

MOTION 215-539: Wilson moved and Bruinooge seconded to approve as sign the proposed letter to Mr. McCurdy supporting the proposal to permit principal forgiveness on state revolving fund loans. The motion passed 3-0.

Adjournment

MOTION 215-540: Bruinooge moved and Wilson seconded to adjourn the public meeting at 11:20 am. The motion passed 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Harry Sarkis Terkanian, Town Administrator

¹ Public Record Documents

¹ Annual town meeting warrant; Town Administrator's draft annual town meeting motions; and draft letter to Mr. Steven McCurdy.