

**Wellfleet Selectboard
In-Person Meeting
Wellfleet Elementary School, Lawrence Road
Saturday April 29, 2023, 9:00am
Meeting Minutes
Open Session**

Members Present: Ryan Curley, Chair; Michael DeVasto, Vice Chair; Kathleen Bacon, John Wolf, Barbara Carboni

Others Present: Richard Waldo, Town Administrator; Rebekah Eldridge, Executive Assistant; Jude Ahern, Resident

Chair Curley Called the meeting to order at 9:04am

I. *Announcements, Open Session and Public Comments*

Note: *Public comments are limited to no more than two minutes per speaker. The Board will not deliberate or vote on any matter raised solely during Announcements & Public Comments.*

Ahern stated that the Town meeting was not subject to open meeting law and discussed Curt Felix, Chair Curley thanked her for her comments.

Chair Curley Moved; Board Member Wolf Seconded, and it was voted to adjourn open session.

Roll Call Vote: 5-0

Open Session Adjourned 9:06am

II. *Adjournment of Open Session to Move into Executive Session*

Purpose 3: To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body and the chair so declares.

Chair Curley Called open session to order at 9:06am

• ***WEA Union Contract***

Waldo spoke to the board explaining that the Memorandum of Agreement has been signed by the union president and is ready to be released back into open session. The board will sign all contracts by the end of the town meeting.

Chair Curley Moved, Board Member Bacon Seconded; and it was voted to accept the Memorandum of Agreement for the WEA union as drafted.

Roll Call Vote: 5-0

III. *Adjournment of Executive Session to go back into Open Session*

Chair Curley Moved; Board Member DeVasto Seconded; and it was voted to adjourn executive session and reopen into open session.

Roll Call Vote: 5-0

Executive Session adjourned: 9:08am

Chair Curley called the open session meeting to order at 9:08am

IV. ***Business***

A. Finalize any remaining town meeting outstanding issues.

Article 42 ~ Scholarship Program

The board asked Bill Dugan to come in and speak to the board regarding article 42 in the town meeting warrant which discusses school scholarships, **Chair**

Curley Recused himself from this discussion.

Dugan spoke about a conversation he had with the town moderator Dan Silverman, where they discussed indefinitely postponing article 42 to work more closely with the town and the selectboard to receive more support from them with this program. He would like to work with the board so that this article can go back on the special fall town meeting warrant, and they are able to give scholarships to students in need for next year. The board discussed this article and stated they would be willing to work with Dugan and his team to see how this scholarship program could work in the future. Waldo stated he felt the town would be in a better position in the fall to put this program on that warrant.

Article 4 – 11A ~ ADA Elementary Ramp

Waldo explained to the board that he received a phone call from the school stating that the ADA ramp was originally priced at approximately \$100,000 and the school just received a quote for the ramp at approximately \$300,000. He stated he would like the board's support in indefinitely postponing this article until the town is in better shape to figure out funding. He believed that the town could apply for a grant.

Chair Curley Moved; Board Member Bacon Seconded; and it was voted to strike article 4 – 11a replacement of the ADA ramp at the Wellfleet Elementary School from the town meeting warrant.

Roll Call Vote: 5-0

Article 4- 2b ~ Oyster Tumbler ~ Board Member DeVasto recused himself from this discussion.

The board discussed this item, stating that Civetta spoke to the Shellfish Advisory Board, and they were not in favor of the tumbler, so she decided to remove it from the capital budget and wait to do more studies.

Chair Curley Moved; Board Member Wolf Seconded; and it was voted to strike item 2b from article 4 in the town meeting warrant from the capital budget.

Roll Call Vote: 4-0-1

Marina Master Plan

Wolf had some questions about the Marina Master plan and if it dealt with parking as well. The board discussed it and there was no vote taken on this item.

White Crest Beach Bathrooms

Chair Curley spoke to the board about removing this from the warrant right now, he stated there are more issues that the town needs to deal with. Bacon stated she would like to present the taxpayers with a plan and felt there needed to be some sort of comprehensive plan to see what actually needs to happen with the

bathrooms and she stated they should include all three bathrooms. The board discussed the bathrooms at great length.

Chair Curley Moved; Board Member Wolf Seconded, and it was voted to strike 10f from FY 2024 White Crest Bathrooms from article 4 Budget.

Roll Call Vote: 5-0

V. *Adjournment*

Chair Curley Moved; Board Member DeVasto Seconded; and it was voted to adjourn the meeting.

Roll Call Vote: 5-0

The meeting adjourned 9:40am.