

BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING

Wednesday, August 7, 2019

Chairman Gregory B. Bendel called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in Room 9 of the Town Hall. Present were Selectmen Kevin A. Caira, Jonathan R. Eaton, Michael V. McCoy and Jomarie F. O'Mahony. Also present was Town Manager Jeffrey M. Hull.

A motion was made and duly seconded and by the affirmative roll call vote of all, it was

VOTED: That the Board of Selectmen enter Executive Session for the purpose of discussing strategy with respect to litigation involving 53 Eames Street in accordance with Massachusetts General Law Chapter 30A, Section 21(a)3 as an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the Town's position which the Chairman so declares and further to approve minutes from June 24, 2019 and July 29, 2019 with the intention to return to open session.

Chairman Gregory B. Bendel called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. in Room 9 of the Town Hall. Present were Selectmen Kevin A. Caira, Jonathan R. Eaton, Michael V. McCoy and Jomarie F. O'Mahony. Also present was Town Manager Jeffrey M. Hull.

Chairman Bendel asked those present to rise and he led the pledge of allegiance.

TREASURY WARRANTS

Chairman Bendel asked for a motion to accept the Treasury Warrants. A motion was made by Selectman Caira, seconded by Selectman O'Mahony and by the affirmative vote of all, it was

VOTED: That the Board of Selectmen accept Treasury Warrants 54, 54A, 1, 1A, 2, 2A, 3, 3A, 4, 4A, 5 and 5A.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Selectman O'Mahony, seconded by Selectman Caira and by the affirmative vote of all, it was

VOTED: That the Board of Selectmen approve the minutes of their meeting held July 8, 2019 and all action taken is hereby ratified and confirmed.

DENNIS A. MARTIN, RED HEAT TAVERN, RE: REQUEST TO CHANGE MANAGER FROM DENISE B. HERRARA TO DENNIS A. MARTIN

Mr. Martin stated that he has served as the General Manager for Red Heat Tavern for the past four years and prior to that he spent ten years with Olive Garden in Methuen.

Town Manager Hull provided the recommendation from the Police Department. Police Chief Desmond advised that he reviewed the application and finds nothing to preclude Mr. Martin from consideration and recommends the Board of Selectmen approve the managerial change.

Chairman Bendel asked if there were any questions, comments or a motion from members of the Board. A motion was made by Selectman McCoy, seconded by Selectman Caira and by the affirmative vote of all, it was

VOTED: That the Board of Selectmen approve the request of Red Heat Tavern to change the manager from Denise B. Herrera to Dennis A. Martin.

MICHAEL FROTTEN, VETERANS' SERVICES OFFICER, AND MARCY MORSE, RAPISCAN SYSTEMS, RE: DONATION OF FLAG POLE TO BE LOCATED AT SILVER LAKE

Chairman Bendel extended well wishes to Lou Cimaglia, Director of Veterans' Services, who is recovering from recent knee surgery.

Mr. Frotten thanked the Board for the opportunity to be before them. He introduced Marcy Morse who stated that her company and volunteers raised money for the purpose of donating a flag to be located at Silver Lake.

Ms. Morse stated that she represents Rapiscan Systems of Andover, MA. She noted that Rapiscan was previously located at 205 Lowell Street and that she is a Wilmington resident. She stated that she is a long-time fan of Wilmington veterans and have participated in different programs for Lou Cimaglia. Ms. Morse noted that she is a veteran having served at Langley Air Force Base. She advised that in 2011, Rapiscan Systems donated a flagpole to the Coleman family whose husband/father was serving. The Coleman's have a severely handicapped child whose dream was to be able to raise a flag for their father who was serving in Iraq.

The Events Committee at Rapiscan chose to donate another flagpole to the Town of Wilmington. Although the company is located in Andover, they did not receive a response from Andover as quickly as they did from Wilmington. In speaking with the Director of Veterans' Services, a location was identified at Silver Lake in the same area as the three memorial stones. Ms. Morse advised that she has communicated with Valerie Gingrich, Director of Planning & Conservation, and Al Spaulding, Building Inspector. Ms. Morse reviewed the specifications of the flagpole and assured the Board of Selectmen it is top quality. There will also be a solar clip at the top to illuminate the flag which will eliminate the responsibility of the Department of Public Works to do so. Ms. Morse thanked Town Manager Hull for his help and guidance.

Chairman Bendel expressed his appreciation to Rapiscan for their generosity and clarified for residents that the location is on the Route 38 side of Silver Lake. Chairman Bendel stated it was his understanding that Rapiscan would like to have a dedication ceremony. Ms. Morse stated that it has been suggested that, due to traffic, they refrain from having a dedication on September 11. She noted that it will likely take place the following Saturday.

Ms. Morse noted that her company manufactures narcotics and explosive detection devices. Prior to September 11, 2001 their company employed twelve people and now employ a couple hundred people and cited this as their reason for wanting to give back to the community.

Chairman Bendel asked if there were any questions or comments from members of the Board. Members of the Board expressed their appreciation for the donation and thanked Ms. Morse for her service.

Chairman Bendel noted that today is National Purple Heart Day.

A motion was made by Selectman Cairra, seconded by Selectman O'Mahony and by the affirmative vote of all, it was

VOTED: That the Board of Selectmen accept the donation of a flagpole and approve its location at Silver Lake.

Chairman Bendel asked Town Manager Hull to be in contact with Ms. Morse relative to scheduling the dedication. He also asked Town Manager Hull to send a letter of thanks to Rapiscan.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN DISCUSSION, RE: CONSTRUCTION OF FIRE/POLICE SUBSTATION IN NORTH WILMINGTON

Chairman Bendel stated that he asked the Town Manager to include this on the agenda and noted that it is a topic that has been discussed for many years. Chairman Bendel advised that the Town will have a meeting on September 30 to discuss the Facility Master Plan and advised that the construction of a fire/police substation in North Wilmington is a separate issue.

William Cavanaugh, Deputy Fire Chief, and Joseph Desmond, Police Chief, were present representing their respective departments.

Chairman Bendel stated that at the most recent Town Meeting the Town took steps to address overtime issues on the fire side and that it positions the Town to review the possibility of a substation. He opined that the residents of North Wilmington deserve an appropriate response time.

Deputy Chief Cavanaugh thanked the Board for the opportunity to discuss this issue. He stated that it has been an important topic for the Fire Department and it has been discussed as far back as the 1960s. Deputy Cavanaugh, with the assistance of Anthony LaVerde, GIS Coordinator, conducted a feasibility study and noted that the response time to North Wilmington is outside the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) standard. The standard states that the first arriving apparatus will be there within four minutes of calling on the air. He stated that the four minute mark is at the Haverhill commuter rail line. Deputy Cavanaugh stated that the study presented to the Finance Committee and the Board of Selectmen showed that if the Town had a substation in the Andover Street area the Town will have 90% coverage at the NFPA standard.

Deputy Cavanaugh stated that he and Chief Desmond have looked at stations that have been recently constructed in the area. Although the stations were built solely as fire substations, he and Chief Desmond feel as though the design may be modified to accommodate Wilmington's needs. Chief Desmond stated that not many substations have a police component and noted that discussions have included a bay for a police car, space for an officer to complete reports and storage capacity. Chief Desmond stated that the current public safety building was constructed in 2001 and storage is a concern. He commented that the substation in Burlington had a good size training room and that would be beneficial as the shooting range is in North Wilmington.

Chairman Bendel asked Deputy Cavanaugh what the response time is from the current station to the northern most residents on Andover Street. Deputy Cavanaugh stated from 2009 – 2018 the response time ranged from six to eleven minutes.

Chairman Bendel asked Chief Desmond to speak to the Police Department's response in the area. Chief Desmond stated that area is one of the fastest growing areas of Wilmington and noted that Chief Begonis conducted a manpower study and focused on the creation of a fourth sector. He stated that the Town has operated with three sectors since he became employed in 1988.

Chairman Bendel asked Deputy Cavanaugh if the Town were to pursue construction of a substation, whether there was enough personnel to staff the substation. Deputy Cavanaugh stated that the additional personnel voted at the recent Town Meeting will allow adequate manpower and equipment. Chairman Bendel asked Chief Desmond whether staffing a substation

will require additional equipment and was advised it would not. Chairman Bendel asked whether a substation will require dispatchers and Deputy Cavanaugh opined that dispatch will continue from Central Dispatch. He has spoken with Town Manager Hull about making upgrades to the dispatch center.

Brief discussion took place regarding response times for mutual aid including response to the Merrimack Valley gas explosions in September 2018.

Selectman McCoy opined that it is a good idea to have a combined police and fire substation. He believes it should be a priority as it has been brought up on an annual basis. He believes funds should be appropriated from “free cash” to pay for the construction of a substation. Selectman McCoy asked Town Manager Hull how much was in free cash at this time. Town Manager Hull advised that there is no money in free cash noting that at the end of the fiscal year it reverts to a zero balance until such time funds are certified by the Department of Revenue. He noted that at the close of the fiscal year, following Town Meeting transfers, the amount was over \$18 million.

Selectman O'Mahony commented that it makes sense for the substation to be a police/fire substation. She asked if there was a location that Chief Desmond and Deputy Cavanaugh envision as an ideal location. Chief Desmond stated that he believes the Andover Street or Ballardvale Street area would be ideal. Deputy Cavanaugh stated that he has looked at open parcels that the Town owns. Two are on MassHighway throughways and noted that there are a lot of rules to conduct curb cuts. Concern was raised about the large vehicles entering a state highway with vehicles traveling at higher speeds. Deputy Cavanaugh stated that a parcel on Andover Street would be preferable.

Selectman Eaton opined that a police/fire substation should be a priority for the Town. He noted that the population has increased and with more people, there are more calls for aid. Selectman Eaton stated that a review of the Town Crier archives showed that in July 1992, the Board of Selectmen implored the MBTA to address the issue of the train stopping across the roadway. He stated that resolving the problem of the train stopping across Middlesex Avenue will not be a cure-all. He commented that a number of housing units are being developed in Wilmington and abutting Towns.

Selectman Caira stated that the hiring of the eight new fire fighters and the staffing at the police station will be sufficient to cover a substation without adding personnel. Selectman Caira asked whether it would be prudent to have an ambulance located at the substation in addition to an engine. Deputy Cavanaugh stated that the plan is to move an ambulance as well as an engine. He opined that it is a top priority of the Town and thanked the Chairman for including the discussion on the agenda. Chairman Bendel stated it was his goal to have a good discussion and it appears that there is support to pursue at a future Town Meeting. He believes it to be premature to discuss financing or location without providing Town Manager Hull and Mr. Perry an opportunity to provide the Board with options.

Chairman Bendel reviewed the number of stations/substations in the towns abutting Wilmington.

Chairman Bendel asked Town Manager Hull if he would like to offer comment. Town Manager Hull stated that he has seen records dating back to the 1950s where discussion of a substation took place. He stated that he is mindful that a substation needs to be financed in such a way that it can be sustainable. He cautioned the Board about using free cash to fund the construction of a substation.

Chairman Bendel made a motion to instruct the Town Manager to review financing options and locations to be discussed at a future Board of Selectmen meeting. The motion was seconded by Selectman Caira. Selectman McCoy commented that it is generally not the Chairman that makes a motion. Selectman O'Mahony asked that the motion be amended to include a date certain. Chairman Bendel and Selectman Caira agreed to the amended motion. Town Manager Hull suggested it be one of the two dates in October. Chairman Bendel asked if there was further discussion. Selectman McCoy agreed that there should be a date certain for the Town Manager to report back to the Board. He stated that this is priority one and opined that they are the Board of Selectmen and can instruct the Town Manager to do whatever they want. Selectman McCoy opined that this should be a warrant article for the 2020 Annual Town Meeting. Selectman O'Mahony encouraged residents to attend the Board of Selectmen meeting scheduled for September 30 to get a full understanding of what the Board is looking to accomplish. There being no further discussion, Chairman Bendel called for a vote. By the affirmative vote of all, it was

VOTED: That the Board of Selectmen direct the Town Manager to work with Finance Director/Town Accountant Bryan Perry and Chief Desmond and Deputy Cavanaugh to identify financing and location of a fire/police substation and report to the Board of Selectmen at an October meeting.

Chief Desmond and Deputy Cavanaugh thanked the Board of Selectmen for their support and consideration.

COMMUNICATIONS

Town Manager Hull reviewed his memorandum which provided correspondence from Daniel Deutsch and John Heffner to the federal Surface Transportation Board complying with the requirement for regular updates regarding discussions about a proposed warehousing operation at the Olin Superfund Site.

Town Manager Hull reviewed correspondence from Paul Regan, Executive Director, MBTA Advisory Board, and Marc Draisen, Executive Director, Metropolitan Area Planning Organization, regarding municipal elections to the Boston Region Metropolitan Planning Organization. Nomination papers are due Friday, October 4, 2019 and the election will take place on October 30, 2019.

Town Manager Hull reviewed a memorandum from Bryan T. Perry, Finance Director/Town Accountant, regarding nearby communities undergoing challenges to their cash controls. He advised that the Town had formally adopted the "Cash Management & Handling Policy" in April of 2016 and the guidelines are exhibited on a daily basis. Mr. Perry reviewed the procedures in place in the Accountant's office and the Treasurer's office.

Town Manager Hull reviewed correspondence from Niall Connors, Verizon Fios, that effective August 1, 2019 channels 300 FCS Atlantic, 301 FCS Central and 302 FCS Pacific will be removed from the Fios TV channel lineup as Verizon has been unable to reach an agreement to provide Fox College Sports.

Town Manager Hull reviewed a letter from Pamela N. Goldstein, Associate General Counsel, regarding Verizon's notice that it seeks renewal of its cable television license and requests that the Town commence renewal proceedings pursuant to Section 626(a).

BOARD TO CONSIDER EXECUTING THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF WILMINGTON AND AMERICAN FEDERATION OF STATE, COUNTY & MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES (AFSCME) LOCAL 1703, UNIT II

Town Manager Hull reviewed the agreed upon changes to the contract. Chairman Bendel asked if there were any questions, comments or a motion. A motion was made by Selectman Eaton, seconded by Selectman O'Mahony and by the affirmative vote of all, it was

VOTED: That the Board of Selectmen execute the agreement between the Town of Wilmington and American Federation of State, County & Municipal Employees Local 1703, Unit II.

BOARD TO CONSIDER APPROVING POLE LOCATIONS (ONE) ANTHONY AVENUE AND (ONE) SALEM STREET

Town Manager Hull noted that the Board of Selectmen conducted a hearing relative to this request. At the time there was concern whether wetlands would be impacted and the Board opted not to take a vote at that time to allow the proponent an opportunity to file with the Conservation Commission. Town Engineer Paul Alunni advised that the applicant filed for and received approval from the local Conservation Commission in accordance with the provisions of the Wetlands Protection Act. Mr. Matthew Raymond was present in the event Board members had additional questions.

A motion was made by Selectman Eaton, seconded by Selectman Caira and by the affirmative vote of all, it was

VOTED: That the Board of Selectmen approve the request of National Grid and MSR Utility Maintenance Corp. to locate one (1) pole on Salem Street and one (1) pole on Anthony Avenue.

BOARD TO CONSIDER REQUEST OF SHERI PALMISSANO FOR RESIDENTS OF LUCAYA CIRCLE TO HAVE A NEIGHBORHOOD BLOCK PARTY ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2019 FROM 12:00 P.M. TO 10:00 P.M.

A motion was made by Selectman O'Mahony, seconded by Selectman Caira and by the affirmative vote of all, it was

VOTED: That the Board of Selectmen approve the request of Sheri Palmissano for residents of Lucaya Circle to have a neighborhood block party on Saturday, September 21, 2019 from 12:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

BOARD TO CONSIDER REQUEST THAT WILMINGTON TOWN COMMON BE ILLUMINATED IN GOLD DURING THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER IN OBSERVANCE OF CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS

Town Manager Hull advised that the donor would like to remain anonymous. A motion was made by Selectman O'Mahony, seconded by Selectman Caira and by the affirmative vote of all, it was

VOTED: That the Board of Selectmen approve the request that Wilmington Town Common be illuminated in gold during the month of September in observance of Childhood Cancer Awareness.

Members of the Board expressed their appreciation to the donor for their generosity.

BOARD TO CONSIDER SIGNING DEED FOR WAYS ACCEPTED AT THE MAY 4, 2019 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING ARTICLE 34 – MINK RUN ROAD

A motion was made by Selectman Eaton, seconded by Selectman Cairra and by the affirmative vote of all, it was

VOTED: That the Board of Selectmen sign the deed for Mink Run Road as accepted at the May 4, 2019 Annual Town Meeting.

BOARD TO CONSIDER SIGNING ORDER OF TAKING FOR WAYS ACCEPTED AT THE MAY 4, 2019 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING ARTICLE 34 – POMFRET STREET

A motion was made by Selectman Eaton and seconded by Selectman Cairra. Selectman O'Mahony requested that the Board of Selectmen have a discussion regarding a process to get roads accepted to ensure not adding to the number of unaccepted ways. Selectman O'Mahony stated that she believed that the new streets being constructed were accepted ways and has learned that is not the case. Town Manager Hull stated that there have been internal discussions with Town Engineer Paul Alunni, DPW Director Michael Woods, and Director of Planning & Conservation Valerie Gingrich. Mr. Alunni advised that when he met with the Board last his office was collecting information and doing an inventory of the unaccepted ways to determine what condition they are in and honing in on costs for repair. He advised the inventory has been completed and the data is being processed. He stated that he, Ms. Gingrich and Mr. Woods are beginning to develop a framework for what a program may look like to systematically reduce the number of unaccepted ways. Mr. Alunni believes they are close to being able to present a conceptual plan to the Board of Selectmen at a fall meeting.

With a motion having been duly made and seconded, Chairman Bendel called for the vote and by the affirmative vote of all, it was

VOTED: That the Board of Selectmen sign the order of taking for Pomfret Street as accepted at the May 4, 2019 Annual Town Meeting.

BOARD TO CONSIDER SIGNING ORDER OF TAKING FOR ROADWAY RIGHT OF WAY AND UTILITY EASEMENT FOR SHADY LANE DRIVE

Town Manager Hull advised that the easement is for the installation of sidewalks on a portion of Shady Lane Drive. The layout at the corner of Lawrence Street and Shady Lane Drive has sidewalks on private property and noted that Mr. Alunni has spoken with the property owner who is willing to convey an easement to the Town to permit the installation of the sidewalk. Paul Alunni, Town Engineer, advised that when doing the design for the sidewalk and laying out the right of way it was discovered the right of way extends into a portion of Shady Lane Drive which is typical of older subdivision roads. Chairman Bendel extended his appreciation to the resident.

Selectman McCoy stated that he received a call from the resident at 45 Shady Lane Drive and asked what the process is when property is bounded by a stone wall. Mr. Alunni advised that there is a nice corridor allowing the Town to conduct the work without easements. He advised that the resident did construct the stone wall just inside the right of way line but there is enough room to site an ADA compliant sidewalk on the roadway side of the right of way.

Frank West, Birchwood Road, commented that the Town constructed sidewalks on Lawrence Street and he often sees residents walk in the street due to telephone poles. He asked whether the poles can be moved. Mr. Alunni advised that he reviewed every pole with respect to the sidewalk to ensure the Town meets ADA requirements. He advised the minimum requirement is 36 inches.

He advised that the Town works with the owner of the pole to address guys that may impede passage.

A motion was made by Selectman O'Mahony, seconded by Selectman Eaton and by the affirmative vote of all, it was

VOTED: That the Board of Selectmen sign the Order of Taking for roadway right-of-way and utility easement for Shady Lane Drive.

BOARD TO CONSIDER REQUEST OF TARA HANCOX FOR WILMINGTON VOLLEYBALL TO HAVE A CAR WASH ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 24, 2019 FROM 11:00 A.M. TO 2:00 P.M. AT THE 4TH OF JULY BUILDING STUDENT PARKING LOT

A motion was made by Selectman Eaton, seconded by Selectman Cairra and by the affirmative vote of all, it was

VOTED: That the Board of Selectmen approve the request of Tara Hancox for Wilmington Volleyball to have a car wash on Saturday, August 24, 2019 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the 4th of July Building.

BOARD TO CONSIDER REQUEST FROM READING MUNICIPAL LIGHT DEPARTMENT TO PLACE SIGNS ON THE TOWN COMMON FOR TWO (2) UPCOMING RMLD EVENTS

Town Manager Hull advised that customarily a maximum of two signs on each side are allowed. A motion was made by Selectman Eaton, seconded by Selectman Cairra and by the affirmative vote of all, it was

VOTED: That the Board of Selectmen approve the request of Reading Municipal Light Department to place signs on the Town Common for two upcoming events provided that there be no more than two signs per side (two on Middlesex Avenue, two on Church Street).

BOARD TO CONSIDER DETERMINATION AND CONSENT FOR KP LAW TO REPRESENT READING MUNICIPAL LIGHT DEPARTMENT, RE: POTENTIAL PURCHASE OF PROPERTY LOCATED OFF ROUTE 125

Town Manager Hull advised that the Board is in receipt of a KP Law request for the Board to grant a consent to allow them to represent both Reading Municipal Light (RMLD) and the Town of Wilmington. He stated that RMLD is interested in locating a new power substation in North Wilmington as the one located on Wildwood Street is in need of replacement. As a result of development in North Wilmington, RMLD is looking to place a substation in that area. A parcel was identified off of Route 125 and according to the Town of Wilmington's Assessors' records it is owned by New England Power. New England Power has done some research and they believe the Town of Wilmington owns the property. Given the circumstances where KP is counsel to both RMLD and the Town under the rules of professional conduct KP was obligated to notify the Town of this circumstance and to request the Board consent to the situation. Town Manager Hull stated that at the moment there are no issues of conflict and if, at a point in time, it is determined the property is owned by the Town and there are negotiations where counsel is called upon the Board may wish to reconsider.

Selectman McCoy asked whether the Town Manager believes the Town owns the property in question. Town Manager Hull stated that the Town records indicate that New England Power owns the parcel. RMLD is working with New England Power to determine correct ownership. Selectman McCoy asked how much property has been identified off Route 125 and Town Manager Hull advised it is approximately 4.5 acres. Selectman McCoy commented that there are over 4.5 acres and the Town has talked about a new substation and other things and asked whether it would be to the Town's advantage to look at it and if the Town owns it, we should grab it. Town Manager Hull cautioned that it has not been confirmed that the Town owns it and took the position that RMLD and New England Power can work it out at their expense. If, based upon their research, the Town owns the property he believes KP Law should confirm that and it should be a conversation for the Board of Selectmen if the Town wishes to engage with RMLD to locate a power station on the property or whether the Town is not interested in conveying the property and looks at other options. Chairman Bendel stated that he was in agreement. Selectman O'Mahony stated that one of her concerns is that if it is Town owned property, the Town would have to deem it surplus in order to sell it and she stated that she would seek counsel from KP Law. She stated that she would have been okay if the determination was to determine ownership but it states relative to RMLD anticipated purchase of the property. She questioned whether the Town would have to hire outside counsel in the event it is determined the Town owns the property. She stated that it would be a difficult discussion to deem the land surplus when there have been discussions for possible uses, including a fire/police substation. Selectman McCoy asked Town Manager Hull to clarify the location of the property and was advised that it is to the east of Target on Ballardvale Street.

Selectman O'Mahony stated that it may be possible that the property is only useful to RMLD as a power substation.

Town Manager Hull stated that he will speak with Attorney Mark Reich and advise him of the concern with the language relative to potential purpose and present a revised request at the Board's September meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Frank West, Birchwood Road, asked whether the company that the Town believes owns the property has been paying taxes on the property and Town Manager Hull confirmed that they have. He suggested that both the police and fire departments be contacted to determine if an RMLD substation is located in the area whether it would interfere with communications.

Mr. West opined it is a good idea to investigate constructing a substation with the purpose to do it and it is a great idea to provide Town Manager Hull and Finance Director Bryan Perry the flexibility to look at potential funding.

Mr. West stated that he was here three months ago when Superintendent of Public Buildings George Hooper was present discussing work going on at various municipal and school buildings. He expressed concern that the Roman House was not included in the discussion. Mr. West requested that action be taken to make the Roman House more aesthetically pleasing.

Chairman Bendel advised that is the purpose of the meeting scheduled for September 30. Mr. West asked that Mr. Hooper be asked to conduct an assessment on the Roman House, he understands that at some point in the future the Roman House may be moved or knocked down.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairman Bendel wished students and teachers well as the new school year will begin prior to the Board's next meeting.

Chairman Bendel stated that he accepts Selectman O'Mahony's challenge to participate in Wilmington Rotary's Ice Bucket Challenge. Selectman Caira expressed his regret that he will not be able to participate. Selectman Eaton advised that he will be there both to set up for Rotary and to participate.

NEW BUSINESS

Selectman Caira commented that the Department of Public Works does a fantastic job but stated that the intersection of Route 38 and Route 62 is overgrown with weeds. Town Manager asked Selectman Caira to clarify the location and advised that there is a stretch of Route 38 that the Town would like cleaned up. He noted that they are state roads but that he will speak with the Department of Public Works.

Selectman McCoy stated that for a number of years he was the Town's representative on the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA) Advisory Board. Initially, they met fairly regularly but due to owning a business he was unable to attend. Selectman McCoy stated that he reached out to Mr. Reagan's office and spoke to a gentleman who advised the MBTA Advisory Board meets twice per year, once in the fall and once in the spring. Selectman McCoy recalls that years ago the board met almost every month. In a conversation with Mr. Reagan, he was advised that years ago "we" had more power and input in the budget of the T. Legislation in 2009 transferred that power from the MBTA Advisory Board to the T. Selectman McCoy stated that it is his understanding a sunset clause was put in for 2020 by a vote of the 2015 oversight committee giving power back to the MBTA Advisory Board. He asked that the Town Manager advise him of when that happens, he will make time to go to the meetings. He expects the next meeting to be in late September or early October based on his conversation with Mr. Regan. Mr. Regan advised that he is contacting Representatives and Senators to pass the legislation. In the meantime, Selectman McCoy would like a letter sent to our legislative delegation asking them to review the information and consider bringing the authority back to the MBTA Advisory Board.

IMPORTANT DATES

Town Manager Hull reviewed important dates including:

Through

- October 13 – Farmers Market – Town Common Parking Lot – 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
- August 10 – Brush Drop-Off – Old Main Street – 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- August 15 – Library Summer Bash – Swain Green – 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
- August 17 – Ice Bucket Challenge – Rotary Park – 10:00 a.m.
- August 26 – Inhabitant By-Law Study Committee – Town Hall – Room 9 – 6:00 p.m.
- August 27 – Schools Open – Grades 1 – 12
- September 2 – Labor Day – *Town Offices Closed*
- September 3 – 1st Day of Kindergarten
- September 4 – Brush Drop-Off – Old Main Street – 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- September 7 – Brush Drop-Off – Old Main Street – 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- September 7 – Sons of Italy/Band Parents Yard Sale – Municipal Parking Lot
- September 8 – Harnden Tavern Open House – 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

- September 9 – Board of Selectmen – Town Hall – Room 9 – 7:00 p.m.
- September 14 – Shredding Day – Municipal Parking Lot – 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
- September 18 – Ice Rink and Recreation Facility Committee – Town Hall – Auditorium – 7:00 p.m.
- September 23 – Board of Selectmen – Town Hall – Room 9 – 7:00 p.m.
- September 25 – Wilmington Incorporated 289 Years Ago
- September 29 – Chamber of Commerce Half Marathon and 5K Run/Walk
- September 29 – Candlelight Vigil – Town Common – 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.
- September 30 – Discussion re: Town/School Facilities– Wildwood School Cafeteria – 7:00 p.m.

A motion was made by Selectman Eaton, seconded by Selectman Cairra and by the affirmative vote of all, it was

VOTED: That the Board of Selectmen adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Recording Secretary