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Present was James C. Lehan, Robert J. Garrity, Scott Bugbee, Jack Hathaway, Town Administrator and Marian Harrington, Executive Assistant.

The meeting was held in Room 124, Town Hall. Jim Lehan opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m., and announced that the meeting will be audio and video taped. Jack Hathaway read the agenda contents.

ENERGY COMMITTEE UPDATE

Andy Bakinowski, Ray Angelone, and Lynn Gilleland were present.

Andy gave an update of what they have been doing. If there is anything that we would like them to do, they would like to know.

Andy mentioned the light bulbs that were given to the Town by the Department of Energy. The commercial light bulb was free, but retails for \$40. He said the par 20 bulb will be used in the Senior Center. This is the wave of the future. The bulbs are similar to halogen and replace incandescent. It is going to be the wave of the future. They will last 20-40 years and produce outstanding energy savings. Jack mentioned that we are using these same bulbs here in Town Hall.

Andy said we are running 6-9 months now on the landfill. Payments are due us, but it will catch up eventually.

Andy said the PV system at the school he said is online and you can look at it.

Andy said future work is Solarize Mass. He missed the February deadline, but said that we can shoot for the October submission. There are a lot of options out there for homeowners along with coaching and education to see what to do. Ray is working on grants.

One long term plan is to do a utility survey. There are many ways to get additional funding. He said that in years to come, the technology for fluorescent lights will be gone. We should consider doing it now because many companies are offering incentives to make you change now. We should have an audit done and see what they tell us. Rob said it's an investment cost audit. They will help us improve our energy needs and bills, and we can save a lot of money. If we wait, the incentives will be gone and we will have missed out.

Andy said that they are looking at sidewalks and safety and public access. He said it doesn't sound like an energy thing, but it is.

Andy said they need members on their committee. They would like maybe three more. They will try to recruit members and bring them to us.

Andy said if something comes up and we want it prioritized, they will work on it for us.

He told residents to go to MassSave.org on the website. They will do an audit and possibly assist for free.

ACTION ITEMS

Rob Garrity moved to approve the request of the Federated Church to conduct their annual Easter sunrise service at Norfolk Cemetery on Sunday, March 31st from 5:30 – 7 a.m. Scott Bugbee seconded, and it was **so voted**.

Rob Garrity moved to approve the request of Norfolk Baseball to conduct their annual parade on April 20th beginning at 12 noon at the HOD School. Scott Bugbee seconded, and it was **so voted**.

Rob Garrity moved to approve the request of the Garden Club to use Town Hill/Bandstand on Saturday, May 18th from 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for their annual perennial plant and bake sale. Scott Bugbee seconded, and it was **so voted**.

CONSERVATION RESTRICTION

Jack discussed the Conservation Restriction with the Board, and said he talked with the Conservation Chair and they were comfortable with it. The Restriction is ready to be executed, unless the Board has questions. The Board had no questions.

Rob Garrity moved to approve the Conservation Restriction between the Town of Norfolk and Bella Rosa Stables, LLC. Scott Bugbee seconded, and it was **so voted**.

Jack stated that he prepared a memo regarding the trails, and will outline steps.

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Jack reminded everyone that the Town Election is on 4/30 at the Freeman-Kennedy School and will coincide with the State Primary.

Jack told the Board we have reserved the KP Middle School for town meeting on 5/7.

Jack reported that with RECC, they have hired an engineer and architect. They are hoping for summer, early fall construction. This project may be quite a bit below \$5 million and hope to do it all with the grant funds.

Jack questioned "dark station" status. From 8-5 during the week, there will be administrative staff or senior officers like Chief's, Lieutenants, etc., but nights and weekends, there could be no one. Jim said his concern is if someone is in an accident at 2 a.m. and come upon a police station and they need help and there is no human being present; that could be an issue. Jack said there is a situation where a dispatcher could buzz someone into a secure "safe" room where they would be protected such as in a domestic situation.

Jack said that with respect to King Philip, Town Administrators met with the KP Superintendent and discussed the 2014 budget. The initial request was an 11% increase, which would be a 15.41% increase for Norfolk or \$1,144,694.19. Plainville and Wrentham's increase is larger.

With respect to Health Insurance, Jack discussed with the Board options the Committee is reviewing. The Committee consists of union members and retirees. Non-union people don't get a say. They will get back to the Board. The other insurance committee made up of residents is also looking at options and will get back to the Board.

Jack mentioned the legal issues. Pine Creek vs. Norfolk was cancelled by the Judge and hopefully will be rescheduled in April.

Jack said that as he's getting further into the budget process, he would like to hear from the Board about what they are thinking such as full time, part time, oversight to land use boards, whatever else they are thinking. Jim thinks the Board should do this independently. Jim has Bob McGhee's comments and will forward them to the Board. He said the growing trend is for the Town Planner to be the Zoning Enforcement Officer.

Jack mentioned that there is a need to expand on the complexity of each building and their needs. The Freeman/Kennedy School is very complex. Maybe we can expand the facilities management as well with the Planner.

Jack said there are promised credits from NSTAR (\$180,000 owed) and hopefully we will see them this month. Jim questioned the budget for this fiscal year. We only have three months left. Jack said we budgeted as if the credits weren't going to happen so we should be okay. Jim was concerned about the school. Jack will look at it. Jim is wondering how we fared. Jim said we should also look at this with the schools when we are doing budgets.

Jack mentioned a dog issue being handled by Hilary. Jack issued a permanent restraint, but Hilary feels the dogs need training and education. Jack said we could hopefully lift the restraint if the dogs get the training needed.

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT

The Board reviewed the warrant. Jack said that he drafted the Old Town Hall article. The Board discussed it. Jim gave two options. Rob was concerned about Town Pond. Jim suggested possibly having the proceeds being dedicated to road maintenance. We could put that infusion of capital for road repair. It would be one time money, so this would be an urgent need. Jack said he would like this be the first step. The next step could be what to do with the funds. He is afraid that if someone doesn't want the funds to go to road repairs, they would vote this down instead of suggesting another project. And put it to say with appropriation authority under the Board of Selectmen. Jack will check with Town Counsel to see if we can do that. We don't know what the dollar amount is, so we could put up to \$600,000. Or not to exceed....whatever the wording may be.

The second article was amending the General Bylaws regarding town meeting procedure. Jack put deleting twice and adding thrice.

Secondly, it would allow you to expand the conversation and a motion for a vote that the Moderator would have to allow, and then a 2/3 vote. You can call a vote.

They said suspend the rules to give the residents more flexibility. Scott said Rob wanted people to be able to have more dialog, and Scott wanted more people to come. The Board discussed the procedure.

Rob proposes cut out A and have B, C and D. Jim thinks it's a good thing to revisit and let the Town decide. The Board agreed to eliminate A. Jack will share this with the Bylaw Committee, and perfect this. The Board will sponsor this article. They do not feel it needs to go before the Bylaw Committee.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

Scott Bugbee moved to approve the minutes of February 26, 2013. Rob Garrity seconded, and it

was **so voted**.

Jack relayed a medical situation with Officer Meneses and Sgt. Heinz. The Board also commended the DPW for a great job during the storm. Great call by the schools to cancel.

At 8:50 p.m., Rob Garrity moved to go into executive session 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. Scott Bugbee seconded, and it was a roll call vote: Scott Bugee **aye**; Jim Lehan **aye**; and Rob Garrity, **aye**. There will be no votes and the Board will only return to open session to adjourn the meeting.

At 9:40 p.m., being no further business, Rob Garrity moved to adjourn the meeting. Scott Bugbee seconded and it was **so voted**.

This is a true and accurate report of the Selectmen's Meeting of March 12, 2013.

Scott Bugbee, Clerk