

April 20, 2016

Present was James Lehan, Scott Bugbee, Jack Hathaway, Town Administrator and Marian Harrington, Executive Assistant. Jeffrey Palumbo was not in attendance.

The meeting was held in Room 124, Town Hall. Jim Lehan opened the meeting at 7:30 p.m. Jim announced that the meeting was audio and video taped. Jack read the agenda contents. All present recited The Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC HEARING – POLE HEARING – VALLEY STREET

Present was Bob McGhee, DPW Director, and Kelly-Ann Correia, Right of Way Specialist with Verizon.

Jim read the public hearing notice for a Joint Petition from Verizon New England and Eversource for the following work:

VALLEY STREET: Relocate one (1) jointly owned pole numbered T.6/E.6 to a point on the westerly side of Valley Street approximately twenty-two (22) feet southerly from its existing location, said point being one hundred thirty (130) feet northerly from existing Pole T.7/E.7. 1 JO pole to be relocated

Kelly-Ann explained that there is construction on Valley Street. This has caused the need to relocate the pole.

There were no abutters present and no objections.

Scott Bugbee moved to approve relocation of the pole on Valley Street. Jim Lehan seconded, and it was **so voted**.

DPW UPDATE – ROBERT MCGHEE, DIRECTOR

Present was Robert McGhee, DPW Director.

Bob discussed Chapter 90 funds. He said that we have \$392,833 of Chapter 90 funds. We had left over \$93,521 for a total of uncommitted funds of \$486,354.

Bob showed his 2016 Chapter 90 Project Requests. Bob explained that these aren't major roads. These are neighborhood roads. He is spending \$55,065 on Ridgefield Road, Longmeadow Road, Forest Lane, Beaverbrook Road, Blueberry Lane, and Stone Road.

The second group he would like is Seneca Street, Hemlock Street, Masconomet Avenue, Naugatuck Avenue and Cowesit Avenue. This is 1.5" overlay and would be \$124,847.

Bob said Diamond Street will need an overlay because of work done on a culvert. He said a small piece of Union Street near Diamond near the horse farm will be completed. He said this will make the street pretty much leveled out. Diamond and Union would be \$40,660.

Bob said the last group is also near Union Street - Pheasant Hill Estates. He said look at from where he is starting, and continue to the "to". This includes Quail Run Road, Pheasant Hill Road, Robin Road, Bob White Lane, Sparrow Road, Ridge Road and Foxhill Lane to a cost of \$208,727.

Adding all these up, total for all this work would be \$429,299.02. This would leave \$7,000. If you wanted to do two phases, he would remove the Fruit Street area streets and save the \$124,847, and do it later in the year as Phase 2.

This would leave a balance of \$181,902. Do you want to do a Phase 2, or do you want to just do all that's on the list?

The Board asked what Phase 2 would be? Bob explained that there is a section of road on Rt. 115 near Needham Street that has needed attention for the better part of 10 years and is not in good condition. He said that is a heavily traveled road and also a truck route. We need to do something with that street. It would be roughly \$300,000.

Bob said another street would be Cleveland Street. He would recommend it be done up to Holbrook Street. He said the rest of the street can be done later.

Bob said Myrtle Street needs to be done. He said up to Miller Street. Work hasn't been done and the road is all broken up. Hanover Street also needs work. This would be \$42,000 because it's small.

Jim asked if Grove Street will be done as part of the water project? Bob said yes, and Chapter 90 will help.

Bob also mentioned Needham Street for \$118,000. This would be the area by the entrance to the prison.

Jack questioned Freedom Trail, Valentine Drive, Lafayette Lane and Old Coach Road. Bob said he couldn't complete it with one year monies.

He had \$63,000 approved for the Lawrence Street bridge. He doesn't think that it can be patched. Bridge is from 1905 and life span is going to deteriorate. Bob said it's cast concrete. Jim thought it was fieldstone. He said wait until school gets out and then he will do his method on the bridge.

Discussed funding for the North Street project. Bob said he would have balances from all the projects. It could be an article in the fall town meeting. Or is there any free cash available. He could start it, and finish it later. He is fixing Holbrook Street tomorrow near the new subdivision. He will do a temporary and finish it when the subdivision is complete and the big trucks are out of there.

Peter Svalbe, 58 Everett, asked if we will be covering Everett Street within this meeting. The Board said yes.

Ellen Moynihan, 48 North Street is wondering if you can do partial work – from a residence on North Street to the Union Street rotary. She said her concern is a parent with a stroller or kids riding bikes and joggers. She worries about the truck traffic on that street, and a child hit by a vehicle. She didn't know if that is feasible.

Bob said he possibly could develop the widening and create the sidewalk situation. That would take care of the safety concern. Pavement wouldn't be done right then, and it would be rough and rugged, but he could do the sidewalks. He is concerned about the safety.

Bob will price it out and give us another cost.

Scott moved to approve Chapter 90 funds for Ridgefield project for \$55,065. Jim seconded, and it was **so voted**.

The Board discussed Everett Street. Jack suggested speed bumps. They looked at a photo that Jack had. Jack and the Board explained speed bumps in Medfield and area towns that they would like to use on Everett Street. Bob said his guys can do these. They need to go and find locations to put these. They will do multiple ones.

Peter Svalbe, 58 Everett Street said he is new to town and has a small family. He is near the Rt. 115 end. He appreciates the Board considering this. Also picks up beer cans often off his front lawn, and worries that people are driving with a buzz. He wants to know if anything is being proposed for the safety of 115/Everett, as it is very dangerous.

The Board discussed options for fixing the end of Everett Street onto Pine Street where Everett Street crosses. They discussed dead ending the road, and a blinking light. Maybe having traffic go only in one direction. Jim said that he knows sometimes things seem simple, but the State won't allow it. Bob will look into it. Bob said things are happening on Valley and Hill Street. The whole area is a problem because of trucks. Development is happening and so are the commercial trucks. We will look at this.

Scott Bugbee moved to approve Chapter 90 funds for Diamond and Union Street work in the amount of \$40,660. Jim seconded, and it was **so voted**.

Bob said all Boards need to be reminded of our need for water. All the permitting boards need to know everything they approve needs water. Two wells are going down as building goes up.

Bob said we are trying to find a well site within Town of Norfolk's properties so we don't have to purchase land. Properties they have identified they are now doing drills to see if it's feasible. Wants it to pump 500,000 gallons a minute. Bob said that he had good luck at a homeowner's property on Holbrook extension near Millis. They hit a refusal, but they are starting the 5 day prolonged test now that the weather is nice.

The Board discussed the possibility of researching water on the Wrentham State School property near the dog park.

BUDGET REVIEW

David Benton, Advisory Committee Chairman present.

Discussed the budget. Everyone agreed that KP presented a good budget this year. They need an additional \$50,000. We are the first ones of the 3 towns to be out of the gate. Jack said we cut \$50,000 out of the Norfolk Schools, but need to put \$20,000 back.

We discussed the change from the old DOS system – put it on the fall town meeting. We could fund it then, but implement it at the beginning of the new year. Do it as a capital item.

Jack has a concern with a technical change with the Recreation revolving monies for the staff's salary. The \$4,000 needs to be put back. If it can't be funded by the revolving fund, then we need to find the \$4,000 somewhere else and put it back in in Recreation.

Dave questioned Articles 26 and 27. It feels like we have to have an actual agreement at town meeting. Dave thinks we need to IP one. Jack said Article

25 would be Jofran. We need to IP Article 26. Go with Article 27. Jack will discuss it with Town Counsel and possibly remove these 3 articles.

Jack reported that we worked with the resident we had issues with, and he now has a dumpster in his yard. We go to court tomorrow, and hope to get some assistance there.

At 9:34 p.m., Jim Lehan 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: Jim Lehan, **aye**; and Scott Bugbee, **aye**. Discussion will be Health Insurance.

At 10 p.m., Scott Bugbee moved to go out of executive session. Jim Lehan seconded, and it was a roll call vote: and Jim Lehan, **aye**; and Scott Bugbee, **aye**. The Board returned to open session only to adjourn the meeting.

At 10 p.m., Scott Bugbee moved to adjourn the meeting. Jim Lehan seconded, and it was **so voted**.

This is a true and accurate report of the Selectmen's Meeting of April 20, 2016.

Scott Bugbee, Clerk