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**BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
REGULAR SESSION MEETING MINUTES**

**Monday, April 26, 2021 5:30 P.M.**

Police Station Community Meeting Room  
Webster Town Hall, 350 Main Street, Webster, MA  
via conference call in accordance with Governor Baker's  
emergency "Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the  
Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §20"  
5:30 p.m.

**MEETING OPENING:** At 5:33 p.m., Chairman Becker called the meeting to order in the Selectmen's Meeting Room, Webster Town Hall, 350 Main Street, Webster, MA. The following individuals were present: Chairman Becker, Selectman Andrew Jolda, Selectman Lisa Kontoes, Selectman Earl Gabor, Selectman Thomas Klebart, Town Accountant Timothy Bell, Town Administrator Doug Willardson, and Executive Assistant Courtney Friedland. The Board stood and took the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Becker stated on March 12, 2020, Governor Baker issued an Executive Order modifying certain requirements of the Open Meeting Law, to enable public bodies to carry out their responsibilities while adhering to public health recommendations regarding social distancing as fully stated on the agenda. As further explained on the agenda, the Executive Order relieves public bodies from the requirement in the Open Meeting Law that meetings be conducted in a public place that is open and physically accessible to the public, provided that the public body makes provision to ensure public access to the deliberations of the public body through adequate, alternative means.

Chairman Becker announced that Amanda Anderson joined the meeting who attended via the Joint Meeting via Zoom.

**Meeting Minutes**

**Motion by Selectman Gabor, seconded by Selectman Kontoes, to approve the meeting minutes of April 12, 2021. Call Vote: Selectman Klebart – yes, Selectman Gabor – yes, Selectman Kontoes - yes, Selectman Jolda – yes, and Selectman Becker – yes.**

**RESCIND FULL LIQUOR LICENSE OF JUST WING IT AT 548 S. MAIN STREET:** Mr. Willardson stated Just Wing It was approved for a full liquor license over two years ago. He said they have never used the license. He said the

restaurant has now changed hands. He said this was one of the “slum and blight” licenses dedicated to downtown.

**Motion by Selectman Gabor, seconded by Selectman Jolda, to rescind the inactive full liquor license for Just Wing It located at 548 South Main Street, Webster. Call Vote: Selectman Klebart – yes, Selectman Gabor – yes, Selectman Kontoes - yes, Selectman Jolda – yes, and Selectman Becker – yes.**

**RESCIND BEER AND WINE LICENSE OF CAPELLINI’S ITALIAN RESTURANT AT 141 WORCESTR ROAD:** Mr. Willardson stated this license has not been used in many years. This location does have a Special Act of Legislation that was approved that they could apply for if they re-open.

**Motion by Selectman Klebart, seconded by Selectman Gabor, to rescind the inactive beer and wine liquor license for Capellini’s Italian Restaurant located at 141 Worcester Road, Webster. Call Vote: Selectman Klebart – yes, Selectman Gabor – yes, Selectman Kontoes - yes, Selectman Jolda – yes, and Selectman Becker – yes.**

**ENTERTAINMENT LICENSE FOR MIKE’S CRUNCHIES AND MUNCHIES:** Mr. Willardson stated Mike Chiler attended the last Board of Selectmen’s Meeting and had requested to be put on this agenda for approval of an entertainment license.

**Motion by Selectman Jolda, seconded by Selectman Kontoes, to approve Mike Chiler’s request for an Entertainment License for Mike’s Crunchies and Munchies, 32 Main Street, Webster. Call Vote: Selectman Klebart – yes, Selectman Gabor – yes, Selectman Kontoes - yes, Selectman Jolda – yes, and Selectman Becker – yes.**

**RECESS:**

**Motion by Selectman Jolda, seconded by Selectman Kontoes, to called a recess until 6:00 p.m. for the Joint Meeting with the School Committee and the Finance Committee to discuss the FY22 Operating Budget. Call Vote: Selectman Klebart – yes, Selectman Gabor – yes, Selectman Kontoes - yes, Selectman Jolda – yes, and Selectman Becker – yes.**

**RECONVENE:**

**Motion by Selectman Jolda, seconded by Selectman Kontoes, to reconvene for the Joint Meeting with the School Committee and the Finance Committee to discuss the FY22 Operating Budget. Call Vote: Selectman Klebart – yes, Selectman Gabor – yes, Selectman Kontoes - yes, Selectman Jolda – yes, and Selectman Becker – yes.**

**JOINT DISCUSSION WITH THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REGARDING THE FT22 OPERATING BUDGET:**

The following individuals were present: Chairman Becker, Selectman Andrew Jolda, Selectman Lisa Kontoes, Selectman Earl Gabor, Selectman Thomas Klebart (via Zoom Meeting), Town Accountant Timothy Bell, Town Administrator Doug Willardson, and Executive Assistant Courtney Friedland.

Finance Committee: Chairperson Sarah Sansom, Laura Backus, Michael Finamore, Joshua Sterczala

School Committee: Business Manager Monique Pierangeli, Superintendent Ruthann Pertruno-Goguen, Chairperson Linda Millet, and School Committee Members Kelly Seddiki, Sheila Blythe, Kathleen Napierata, and Nicholas Adamopoulos.

Public: Robert Miller and Robert Whitelaw

Mr. Willardson went through the proposed FY22 Operating Budget for the town. He stated the Federal Stimulus package has passed and the town will receive additional State Aid funding. He stated the town also received additional grant opportunities for local businesses. He stated he wanted everyone to keep in mind that the Federal Stimulus money received now will not be available in the FY23 budget. He stated the town is proposing a 2.4% increase. He went through the changes in revenue and expenditures. He said there was a major increase in IT security. He said the town is looking into a company to monitor the town's system. Selectman Kontoes stated she noticed there was a large increase in students going to BayPath. Ms. Goguen stated interested students go to BayPath and see a presentation. She said Bartlett is offering more hands-on classes. She said they are trying to combat students going to other schools by offering more. In order to offer these classes, there needs to be funding. She said they are expected to go back to full-time school come the fall. She stated they are working hard to change the perception of the school. She said there is a diverse population that have additional needs. Mr. Finamore asked if the difference could be split between the school and town. Mr. Willardson stated it would be very difficult to reduce funding on the town's side. Discussion ensued about the possibility to tap into the Stabilization Fund. It was noted the State is doing this. Given the gap between the School's requested budget and the amount suggested by Mr. Willardson in budget presented. Chairman Becker stated it didn't look like an agreement would be made tonight. He suggested the town and school meet, along with the Chairman of the Finance Committee in order to try to come to a suggested resolution.

**Motion by Selectman Jolda, seconded by Selectman Kontoes, to adjourn at 7:44 p.m.**

**Call Vote: Selectman Klebart – yes, Selectman Gabor – yes, Selectman Kontoes - yes, Selectman Jolda – yes, and Selectman Becker – yes.**

**Respectfully Submitted,**

**Courtney Friedland, Executive Secretary to the Board of Selectmen**

**Next Meeting:** May 10, 2021, 5:30 p.m. in the Second Floor Meeting Room, Bartlett High School, 52 Lake Parkway, Webster, MA 01570