

**TOWN OF WEBSTER
BOARD OF SELECTMAN
DON BOURQUE, CHAIRMAN
DEBORAH KEEFE, VICE CHAIRMAN
JEFFREY DUGGAN
MARK DOWGIEWICZ
ROBERT J. MILLER**

A Board of Selectman Meeting was held in the Selectmen's Meeting Room at the Town Hall on Monday, June 4, 2012. Chairman Bourque called the meeting to order at 7:02 P.M.

Attendance: Don Bourque, Deborah Keefe, Mark Dowgiewicz, Jeff Duggan, Robert Miller

Pledge of Allegiance: Chairman Bourque led the Selectman in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion: made by Selectman Miller and seconded by Selectman Keefe to accept the minutes of the May 21, 2012 with correction.

Vote: Mr. Miller – yes, Mr. Dowgiewicz –yes, Mr. Duggan – yes, Ms. Keefe – yes Chairman Bourque - yes.

Motion: made by Selectman Keefe and seconded by Selectman Dowgiewicz to accept the minutes of the April 23, 2012.

Vote: Mr. Miller – abstain, Mr. Dowgiewicz –yes, Mr. Duggan – yes, Ms. Keefe – yes Chairman Bourque - yes.

Webster School Committee – Member Appointment

Mike Markara came forward. He stated that the School Committee and the Board of Selectmen have gone through the proper channels in posting the vacancy for the School Committee. He stated they received one letter of interest from Tina Gorski-Strong. He stated she is very knowledgeable and shows strong leadership skills. Ms. Gorski-Strong came forward. She stated her career has been dedicated to education. She stated she would love to work with the Webster School Committee to help move projects forward.

Motion: made by Selectman Dowgiewicz, seconded by Selectman Miller to appoint Tina Gorski-Strong to the School Committee until the next election.

Vote: Mr. Miller – yes, Mr. Dowgiewicz –yes, Mr. Duggan – yes, Ms. Keefe – yes Chairman Bourque - yes.

Mr. Makara and Mr. Collins from the School Committee voted to appoint Tina Gorski-Strong to the School Committee.

Public Hearing – The Cellar Pub - Transfer of Liquor License

Attorney Mark Erlich and Robert Zalewski came forward. Attorney Erlich stated his client intends to run a pub/restaurant with weekend entertainment. He stated Mr. Zalewski owns a pub in Rhode Island. Mr. Zalewski stated it would be an upscale pub and would be serving some of the same items as on the menu at his Rhode Island pub location. Selectman Keefe stated the license is an Innholders License and the Board needed to make sure that it could be transferred. Selectman Keefe stated she had some other issues with the transfer application. Selectman Dowgiewicz asked the name of his Rhode Island business. Mr. Zalewski stated he owned Snow's Clam Box. Attorney Erlich stated Mr. Zalewski has done work to fix the place up and it looks great. Selectman Keefe stated the seating plan that was submitted to the Board indicated no seating arrangement. She recommended tabling this until the next Board of Selectmen's Meeting in order for Attorney Erlich to correct the application and to have the Secretary of the Board of Selectmen check with the ABCC regarding the Innholders License. Nancy Healy came forward. She stated she had concerns for the tenants that live around the pub. She stated tenants would be subjected to the motorcycles starting up at one o'clock in the morning. She stated the motorcycles would cause a lot of noise. She stated she is business friendly but has concerns about the people who live in that area. Selectman Dowgiewicz stated Mr. Zalewski has purchased all new restaurant equipment and will be a great place to eat.

Motion: made by Selectman Keefe to table the Public Hearing until June 18, 2012. There was no second.

Motion: made by Selectman Dowgiewicz, seconded by Selectman Miller to approve the Transfer of Liquor License to The Cellar Pub.

Selectman Keefe stated the application needed to be corrected by the Attorney before the application could be sent to the ABCC. She stated she did not feel comfortable with signing anything without seeing the corrections. She suggested closing the Public Hearing and tabling the transfer until Monday, June 11, 2012 at 5:30P.M. Selectman Dowgiewicz withdrew his motion for approval.

Motion: made by Selectman Duggan, seconded by Selectman Miller to table the Transfer of Liquor License for The Cellar Pub until Monday, June 11, 2012 at 5:30 at Bartlett High School.
Vote: Mr. Miller – yes, Mr. Dowgiewicz –yes, Mr. Duggan – yes, Ms. Keefe – yes Chairman Bourque - yes.

Webster Hydroplane Racing Association – One Day Liquor License Request

Mike Grendell and Jane Hoosick came forward. Mr. Grendell stated the Webster Hydroplane Association requested a “one day” liquor license for the 2nd annual Thunder on Webster Lake Regatta happening September 1st and 2nd. Selectman Keefe stated she attended the event last year and would be in favor of having a beer tent as long as it was confined and they had extra foot patrol. She also said she would like the bartenders to be TIPS Certified. Selectman Duggan stated the event was great last year. He asked why Mr. Grendell needed a liquor license this year. Mr. Grendell stated the revenue made from a beer tent would help cover expenses. He stated the Budweiser would also sponsor the events and help with promotion. Selectman Keefe stated it needed to be very controlled. Mr. Grendell stated he will work with the Police Chief. Chief Bent stated he would not be in favor of having beer or wine at this event. He stated it is a family event. Selectman Keefe stated she would like Mr. Grendell to have a contract with the Webster Police Department before the license is approved. She would also like him to speak with Mr. Pizzetti regarding the location of the beer tent.

Motion: made by Selectman Keefe, seconded by Selectman Duggan to table the approval for a “one day” liquor license for Webster Hydroplane Association until June 18, 2012.
Vote: Mr. Miller – yes, Mr. Dowgiewicz –yes, Mr. Duggan – yes, Ms. Keefe – yes Chairman Bourque - yes.

Town Administrator’s Report

Mr. McAuliffe stated he participated in the Memorial Day Parade. He stated the weather was terrific and there was a great turnout.

He stated the Senate adopted their budget giving the town a more accurate number to work with. He stated the town’s budget is balanced and he is meeting with the Finance Committee on Thursday for their approval.

He stated the town hosted Moody’s Bond Rating Agency. He stated the goal for their visit was so the town could get the negative outlook taken off the bond rating. He stated they stressed stability to Moody’s Bond Rating Agency and showed them that the town is moving in a positive direction.

He stated he held a meeting with Chris Jolda and MEMA. He stated the town received over fifty thousand dollars in MEMA funds from the state for the damage caused by Hurricane Irene.

He stated he met with Ed Bazinet and Selectman Keefe to talk about the “Classical Music Presentation.” He stated they are looking at a date in late August.

He stated he did not have a need for Executive Session.

Motion: made by Selectman Keefe, seconded by Selectman Dowgiewicz to approve the Town Administrator’s Report.
Vote: Mr. Miller – yes, Mr. Dowgiewicz –yes, Mr. Duggan – yes, Ms. Keefe – yes Chairman Bourque - yes.

Old Business

Selectman Keefe stated she is getting questions regarding Ash Street. J. T. Gaucher stated they are finishing up the top coat and it should be completed within three weeks.

New Business

Mr. McAuliffe stated Moody's Bond Agency was impressed with the direction the town was moving towards. Mr. McAuliffe and Pam Regis went through the power point presentation. Mr. McAuliffe stated he had three options for the Board of Selectmen regarding sewer rates. He stated the Board could have a 7% increase in the Sewer, which the average increase would be \$160.31 to \$171.00 for an average household. His second option was to have a 3.5% increase and a \$100,000 debt shift. His third option was to have a 0% increase and a \$215,000 debt increase. Mr. McAuliffe recommended the Board increase the sewer rate 3.5% Selectman Dowgiewicz asked what the cost would be if the Board did a complete debt shift. Mr. McAuliffe stated there would be roughly a \$50.00 increase for a normal household.

Motion: made by Selectman Dowgiewicz, seconded by Selectman Miller to have a 0% increase on the sewer rates and debt shift two hundred and fifteen thousand.

**Vote: Mr. Miller – yes, Mr. Dowgiewicz –yes, Mr. Duggan – abstain, Ms. Keefe – yes
Chairman Bourque - yes.**

Motion: made by Selectman Dowgiewicz, seconded by Selectman Miller to have a 0% increase to the water rate.

**Vote: Mr. Miller – yes, Mr. Dowgiewicz –yes, Mr. Duggan – abstain, Ms. Keefe – yes
Chairman Bourque - yes.**

Selectman Keefe stated the Board received a letter from the Killdeer Island Club requesting a “one day” liquor license for July 28, 2012.

Motion: made by Selectman Keefe, seconded by Selectman Miller to approve the “one day” liquor license for the Killdeer Island Club on July 28, 2012.

**Vote: Mr. Miller – yes, Mr. Dowgiewicz –yes, Mr. Duggan – yes, Ms. Keefe – yes
Chairman Bourque - yes.**

Informational Mail

Selectman Keefe stated the Board received three letters of interest for the Trustees of Soldiers Monuments Committee.

Motion: made by Selectman Dowgiewicz, seconded by Selectman Miller to appoint Joseph E. Laplante, Victor Jankowski and Alfred Beland to the Trustees of Solders Monument Committee pending term assignment.

**Vote: Mr. Miller – yes, Mr. Dowgiewicz –yes, Mr. Duggan – yes, Ms. Keefe – yes
Chairman Bourque - yes.**

Adjournment

Motion: made by Selectman Dowgiewicz, seconded by Selectman Miller to adjourn the meeting at 8:22p.m.

**Vote: Mr. Miller – yes, Mr. Dowgiewicz –yes, Mr. Duggan – yes, Ms. Keefe – yes
Chairman Bourque - yes.**

Respectfully Submitted,
Courtney Friedland