

**TOWN OF WEBSTER  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
DEBORAH KEEFE, CHAIRMAN  
ROBERT MILLER, VICE CHAIRMAN  
WILLIAM STARZEC  
JEFFREY DUGGAN  
MARK DOWGIEWICZ**

A Board of Selectmen's Meeting was held in the Selectmen's Meeting Room at the Town Hall on Wednesday, January 29, 2014. Selectman Miller called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Attendance:** Jeffrey Duggan, Mark Dowgiewicz, William Starzec, Robert Miller

**Absent:** Deborah Keefe

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Selectman Miller led the Selectmen in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion: made by Selectman Miller, seconded by Selectman Starzec to approve the meeting minutes of December 16, 2013.

**Vote: Mr. Duggan - yes, Mr. Dowgiewicz – yes, Mr. Starzec – yes, Mr. Miller – yes.**

Motion: made by Selectman Miller, seconded by Selectman Starzec to approve the meeting minutes of December 23, 2013.

**Vote: Mr. Duggan - yes, Mr. Dowgiewicz – yes, Mr. Starzec – yes, Mr. Miller – yes.**

Motion: made by Selectman Miller, seconded by Selectman Starzec to approve the meeting minutes of January 6, 2014.

**Vote: Mr. Duggan - yes, Mr. Dowgiewicz – yes, Mr. Starzec – yes, Mr. Miller – yes.**

**The 200 Sportsmen's Club – Change of Manger**

Kenneth Mardirosian came forward. He stated they are looking to do a Change of Manager. He stated he has been involve with the club for a very long time.

**Motion:** made by Selectman Dowgiewicz, seconded by Selectman Starzec to approve the Change of Manager for the 200 Sportsmen's Club.

**Vote: Mr. Duggan - yes, Mr. Dowgiewicz – yes, Mr. Starzec – yes, Mr. Miller – yes.**

**Linda Slota – Establishment of the "D.J. and Alice Shumway Nadeau Scholarship Fund"**

Edward Jarmolowicz came forward. Mr. Jarmolowicz stated he was a Trustee on the will of Russell Nadeau. He stated in the will Mr. Nadeau left the Town of Webster a sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00) to establish a scholarship fund called the "D.J. and Alice Shumway Nadeau Scholarship Fund." He stated every year in June there shall be an award from the fund of one thousand two hundred dollars (\$1,200.00) to the senior student of the graduating class at Bartlett High School who has at that time achieved the highest scholastic record in the class and who had been admitted to a university or college in a four year program.

**Motion:** made by Selectman Duggan, seconded by Selectman Dowgiewicz to authorize the Town Administrator to sign the paperwork necessary to establish the D.J. and Alice Shumway Nadeau Scholarship Fund and the appoint the Town Accountant as the third person on Administration Committee.

**Vote: Mr. Duggan - yes, Mr. Dowgiewicz – yes, Mr. Starzec – yes, Mr. Miller – yes.**

**Town Administrator's Report**

Mr. McAuliffe stated he attended the Regional Dispatch Center Meeting.

He stated he held a Financial Team Meeting.

He stated he held a DPW Team Meeting.

He stated he held a Code Enforcement Team Meeting.

He stated he attended a Police/Fire Building Committee Meeting.

He stated he attended the annual MMA Conference. He stated he attended the workshops and it is a good learning experience.

He stated the State Aid numbers have been released and it was very surprising. He stated it is going to be a very bumpy road. He stated this next fiscal year is going to be very challenging. He stated they made changes to health insurance two years ago and would not be able to make any changes again until 2016. He stated override votes are now tainted. He stated overrides have a very bad name. He stated he would like the State to come up with some ideas on how to find extra money; like the meals tax idea. Selectman Miller stated the Town's problem is that it doesn't have enough resources. Town Administrator of Charlton, Robin Craver, stated they are looking at the same problem for next fiscal year. Mr. McAuliffe stated people have worked very hard to not have to close buildings and lay people off. He stated the State has not offered relief.

He stated he did have a need for Executive Session.

**Motion:** made by Selectman Starzec, seconded by Selectman Dowgiewicz to approve the Town Administrator's Report.

**Vote:** Mr. Duggan - yes, Mr. Dowgiewicz – yes, Mr. Starzec – yes, Mr. Miller – yes.

## Old Business

Selectman Miller stated the Board received a draft Liquor License Violation Policy. Selectman Duggan stated he would like to keep the part of the policy that doubles a suspension if the violation involves serving to a minor. He stated these establishments should get a good sting out of these punishments. Selectman Starzec stated he would like to open that for discussion as to whether doubling a suspension to an establishment for a sale to a minor should be struck. Selectman Duggan stated it should be strict. Selectman Starzec stated he believes that doubling the suspension would do disjustice to the businesses. Selectman Miller stated there needs to be an even playing field.

**Motion:** made by Selectman Starzec, seconded by Selectman Dowgiewicz to striking doubling the penalty for serving to a minor.

**Vote:** Mr. Duggan - no, Mr. Dowgiewicz – yes, Mr. Starzec – yes, Mr. Miller – yes.

**Motion:** made by Selectman Starzec, seconded by Selectman Dowgiewicz to adopt the Selectmen's Liquor License Violation Policy as revised

**Vote:** Mr. Duggan - no, Mr. Dowgiewicz – yes, Mr. Starzec – yes, Mr. Miller – yes.

Selectman Miller stated the Board received two letter of interest for the Conservation Commission. Al Huefner came forward. Mr. Huefner stated he was born and raised on a dairy farm. He stated he is currently retired but his background would be a great asset to the Conservation Commission. He stated he is trying to give back and is involved in water testing. He stated he has been tracking the local bald eagles around the lake. Selectman Miller stated the Conservation Commission requires an open mind. He stated there is a lot to the position.

**Motion:** made by Selectman Duggan, seconded by Selectman Starzec to appoint Al Huefner to the Conservation Commission for a term to expire June 30, 2017.

**Vote:** Mr. Duggan - yes, Mr. Dowgiewicz – yes, Mr. Starzec – yes, Mr. Miller – yes.

## New Business

Selectman Miller stated the Board received three options for the Annual Report Cover. Mr. McAuliffe stated he would like to thanks Greg Robert for the designs.

**Motion:** made by Selectman Starzec, seconded by Selectman Dowgiewicz to have the Police K-9 dogs on the front cover, the CMLAC/Webster strong on the back and Irene Martel on the first page.

**Vote:** Mr. Duggan - yes, Mr. Dowgiewicz – yes, Mr. Starzec – yes, Mr. Miller – yes.

### **Informational Mail**

Selectman Miller stated the board received a letter regarding the Senior Tax Work-off Program. Mr. McAuliffe stated he has a draft manual and it takes a process to be implemented.

He stated the Board received a resignation from Valarie Beals for the Recreation Committee.

He stated the Board received notification from Shaw's Supermarket saying they were closing their Webster location as of February 20, 2014. He stated the economy was been very tough the last couple of years and hates to see them close.

### **Unknown at Time of Posting**

Mr. McAuliffe stated the Town Hall is hold a groundbreaking for the A.J. Sitkowski School on Thursday, February 6, 2014 starting at 11:30 a.m. in the town Hall Auditorium. He stated there will be a catered lunch.

### **Adjournment**

Selectman Miller adjourned the meeting to Executive Session at 7:45 P.M. in accordance with MGL Chapter 39, Section 23b, Item 2 to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation, in an open meeting.

**Motion:** made by Selectman Dowgiewicz, seconded by Selectman Starzec to go into Executive Session and not to come back into open session.

**Vote:** Mr. Duggan - yes, Mr. Dowgiewicz – yes, Mr. Starzec – yes, Mr. Miller – yes.